



SWALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES
February 19, 2020

The Board of Directors of the Swalley Irrigation District met on February 19, 2020 at the District office for the purpose of conducting its monthly business.

Call to Order

President McCarrel called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. Those in attendance were directors Steve McCarrel, Dennis Gant, Kelly Patrick, and general manager Jer Camarata.

Prior Minutes

Minutes from the January 22, 2020 Board Meeting were reviewed and on motion made and seconded, unanimously approved.

Business from the Floor

None.

Financial/Hydro Report

The Board reviewed the accounts payable list, financial reports, and hydro report as prepared. 2020 District Assessments are within 1% of collections received to date as compared to collections received this time last year. Discussion ensued. On motion made and seconded, the accounts payable list was unanimously approved.

Old Business

- None

New Business

- Camarata presented the annual 2019 Audit Engagement Letter. Only a regular audit will be required for the 2019 calendar year. A single point federal audit will not be necessary until the 2020 finances are audited next year. On motion made and seconded, the 2019 Audit Engagement Letter was unanimously approved as presented.

Manager's Report

1) A status update of the Rogers Lateral Pipeline Project (RLPP) was provided. Camarata informed the Board that the project is going well and remains on schedule. The entire run of lateral and sub-lateral pipe has been welded and installed. Crews remain working on pipeline backfill, site restoration, turnout installation, and access gate construction. The new pipeline will be hydrostatically pressure tested next week in coordination with a February stock run.

2) Camarata reminded the Board that the Elder Lateral Piping Project (ELPP) is 100% funded with grant dollars and that the District has been working with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to move

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engineering plans forward per the District's Watershed Plan. Camarata would like to bid the project out for construction this Spring. Discussion ensued. On motion made and seconded, it was unanimously approved to authorize the ELPP for construction per existing agreements and grant awards with NRCS, Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board (OWEB), and the Deschutes River Conservancy (DRC) regarding the Conserved Water Statute, and to authorize Camarata to engage in any new agreements that will support the ELPP, consistent with the District's approved Watershed Plan, System Improvement Plan, and other modernization and water transfer policies currently in place so long as current levels of funding and satisfactory bid awards are received.

3) Grant funding for the Butte Lateral Piping Project (BLPP) has been applied for via the federal PL-566 Program with state match funding currently being applied for through the Oregon Water Resource Department (OWRD) in coordination with the Deschutes Basin Board of Control (DBBC).

4) Grant funding for the Main Canal Pipeline Project Phase #7 (MCP7) has been applied for via the federal PL-566 Program.

5) The District is completing all winter maintenance on the hydroelectric plant this week in anticipation of a planned stock run next week, February 24-27.

6) Discussion ensued regarding potential ODOT Highway 20 improvement project conflicts with the District's 54" Main Canal Pipeline near Butler Market Road and the District's 24" NC-1 Pipeline near Mervin Samples Road. Camarata will continue working with the District's Development Review Engineer, Brady Fuller on the matter.

Legal Report

- The Stacked Water Rights Agreement with Gary and Deborah Trent remains unsigned by the Trent's. Counsel to advise and provide a status report in the coming weeks.

- A settlement has been agreed upon regarding a fender bender claim between a District vehicle and a Mr. Wallace Corwin's vehicle. The District's insurance company will pay Mr. Corwin's small claim in full to avoid defense action on a small claims court filing.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Director McCarrel adjourned the meeting at 10:35 am.

Attest: _____ Director McCarrel

Attest: _____ Secretary Camarata