MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WENATCHEE RECLAMATION DISTRICT THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 2022 8:00 A.M. DISTRICT OFFICE

Present

Lynn O. Smith President
Beau VanWinkle Director

Vince Stimac Director Waylon Marshall Manager

Andy Sanders
Mike Abhold
Eric Howe
Garren Melton

Assistant Manager
Foreman/Maintenance
RH2 Engineering
City of East Wenatchee

David E. Sonn Attorney
Alice M. Meyer Secretary

Moved by VanWinkle, and carried that the minutes of the regular meeting of January 13, 2022 be approved as submitted.

The Report of Office Collections in the amount of \$111,397.45 for the month ending February 28, 2022 was submitted to the Board of Directors and thoroughly reviewed.

The Report of Assessment Collection as of February 28, 2022 was submitted to the Board of Directors and thoroughly reviewed.

The Monthly Financial Report for the month ending February 28, 2022 was submitted to the Board of Directors and thoroughly reviewed. Marshall explained costs on several line items. Meyer noted that the Investment Interest is not reflected in the report.

Annual dues for Washington State Water Resources Association, WSWRA, for 2022 were submitted for approval. Basic dues which are based on the O & M expenditure for 2020 total \$16,336.22 and Legislative Contribution is based on the assessed acres total \$1,187.50 for a total of \$17,523.72. This is an increase of \$901.84 or 5.43% over 2021. Discussion followed on the value to the District of membership in WSWRA.

Moved by VanWinkle, seconded by Stimac and carried that the WSWRA dues for 2022 in the amount of \$17,523.72 be approved for payment.

Marshall met with Josh Dunagan with Molitor Development who is exploring the possibility of incorporating the District's 60-inch wood stave pipe into Phase 2 Sunnyslope Heights plans located at the intersection of School and Easy Streets. Marshall explained to Dunagan that approximately 3' of material protects the District's pipeline. Two options were discussed:

- 1. Engineered crossings over existing wood stave pipeline with landscape and trails.
- 2. Replace pipe with new pipe, with the option of asphalt and parking.

Dunagan will be approaching the Board in the future to discuss.

Marshall provided an update on the School Street project. The city of Wenatchee agreed to absorb the cost of demolition and installation of a 30" arch pipe for the lateral supply

pipe. The District will be responsible for the cost of the pipe, which is \$4,245 plus tax and delivery. The city of Wenatchee will be responsible for installation of the new pipe.

Eric Howe, RH2 Engineering, and Garren Melton, Public Works Manager at City of East Wenatchee, arrived at 8:25 a.m.

Howe stated that the city of East Wenatchee plans to install a traffic signal, storm water line, domestic water service lines, and fiber optics at the intersection of 9th Street NE and Valley Mall Parkway working over and near the District's pipeline. Howe stated that the due to the dictates from the State and Federal government the project cannot be completed by the District's cutoff date of March 15. Howe is asking the Board for approval to do the work in April or May. Howe stated that the city of East Wenatchee could use a Hydro Excavator to safely excavate around the District's pipeline without causing any damage. Discussion followed.

Howe and Melton left meeting at 8:45 a.m.

Stimac questioned the liability of the District if the city of East Wenatchee was given authorization to proceed with the work during irrigation season and it damages the pipeline. Water users would be without irrigation for an extended period of time due to the potential of availability of parts needed for repair. Discussion followed.

Moved by Stimac, seconded by VanWinkle, and carried that as a condition to approving the extension the cutoff date into April or May for the city of East Wenatchee to install a traffic signal, storm water line, domestic water service lines and fiber optics at the intersection of 9th Street NE and Valley Mall Parkway near the District's pipeline, the city must provide 20' of pipe, couplers and increase the minimum property damage liability insurance of the contractor to five million per occurrence.

Marshall stated that the pipeline crossing at Riverside Drive will be completed by March 11, 2022. Also, the work at Maple Street will be completed by March 18, 2022.

Anna Carr, Administrative Assistant for the city of Wenatchee, inquired on the behalf of Serve Wenatchee about the possibility of installing a string of lights across the Columbia River Pipeline Bridge for the month of April.

It is the consensus of the Board to authorize Serve Wenatchee to install a string of lights across the Columbia River Pipeline Bridge for the month of April.

The 2021 Financial Reports were submitted for review.

Meyer received a telephone call March 8 from Rena Nofsinger who owns Lot 36 Ex Tax 17 & St. Hwy (Parcel Number 407000 03601), Tax 120 in Lot 36 (unused State R/W) (Parcel Number 407000 03606), Lot 45 Ex Tax 17 & St Hwy (Parcel Number 407 000 04500), and Tax 121 in Lot 45(unused State R/W) (Parcel Number 407000 04502) all in EWLP 27-23-20. Ms. Nofsinger has what is deemed extra water of 3.14 shares on Parcel Number 407000 03601 and would like to transfer it to Parcel Number 407000 04500. Normally, this is not a problem. However, the Douglas County Assessor is assessing all four parcels as irrigated orchard land which indicates that Norfsinger is spreading the water on properties that does not have a water right agreement with the District. An analysis of lots 36 and 45 EWLP 27-23-20 was presented to the Board. In 1937, 8.46 shares of water right were transferred off lot 45 and in 1965 3.14 extra water (file #1768) was placed on Lot 36. Currently, according to the Douglas County Assessor records, Lot 36 (which include parcel numbers 407000 03601 and 407000 036 06) the total acreage is 7.92 and

Lot 45 (which include parcel number 407000 04500 and 470000 04502) the total acreage is 6.88 for a total of 14.80 acreage and 11.61 shares. Discussion followed.

It is the consensus of the Board that Nofsinger segregate 11.61 shares to the 11.91 irrigable acres on lots 36 and 45. To cover the shortfall Nofsinger will need to purchase 0.30 share which the District has available for \$1,050.

A Lease Water Agreement with Jason and Kerry Walker was signed

A Rented Water Agreement with 1101 Red Apple LLC was signed.

A Water Right Agreement between Mark and Sharon Harrison to James Ronning was signed.

A Water Right Agreement between Mark and Sharon Harrison to Gray Higgins Rental Management LLC was signed.

Revolving Fund Checks Nos. 11276 through 11311 for Accounts Payable in the amount of \$110,142.24 were approved for payment.

Revolving Fund Checks for payroll and payroll benefits for February in the amount of \$109,827.12 were approved for payment.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

RESIDENT

ATTEST:

SECRETARY

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