

***MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
WENATCHEE RECLAMATION DISTRICT  
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2020  
8:00 A.M.  
DISTRICT OFFICE***

Present:	Lynn O. Smith	President
	Beau VanWinkle	Director
	Vince Stimac	Director
	Waylon Marshall	Manager via Telephone
	Michael E. Abhold	Foreman/Maintenance
	David E. Sonn	Attorney
	Jeff Morgan	Water User
	Terry Adams	Water User
	Alice M. Meyer	Secretary

Moved by VanWinkle, seconded by Stimac and carried that the minutes of the regular meeting of August 13, 2020 be approved as submitted.

The Report of Office Collections in the amount of \$3,817.18 for the month ending August 31, 2020 was submitted to the Board of Directors and thoroughly reviewed.

The Report of Assessment Collection as of August 31, 2020 was submitted to the Board of Directors and thoroughly reviewed.

The Monthly Financial Report for the month ending August 31, 2020 was submitted to the Board of Directors and thoroughly reviewed.

There was discussion of the water turn-out date to end the 2020 irrigation season. Marshall outlined the work that is planned for this fall. Discussion followed.

Moved by L. Smith, seconded by VanWinkle and carried that the water turn-out date to end the 2020 irrigation season be set for Friday, October 9, 2020.

Notice will be placed on the District's new web-site advising water users of this date.

There was discussion of quantity of shotcrete required this season for gunite linings. Marshall stated the projects to be completed are approximately 125 cubic yards on beat 2 at Spanjer's property in Sec. 02 Twp. 23 Range 19, a cap near what is known as Diede's property in Sec. 18 Twp. 23 Range 18, and Beat 3 lateral where the District removed several cottonwood trees in Sec. 16 Twp. 23 Range 20 near 3510 Burchvale Road. The quantity will be up to 400 cubic yards of 8 sack cement Type 1-2, Pea gravel #8, Sand C33 and Buckeye Fiber 3 pounds per yard. A legal ad will be placed in the Wenatchee World titled "Invitation for Bids," with the bid opening date of 8:00 a.m., Pacific Daylight Time on October 8, 2020.

Jeff Morgan arrived at 8:25 a.m.

After introductions, Marshall stated that Morgan comes before the Directors to discuss people walking on the canal road near his property. Marshall noted that with COVID-19 there has been an influx of people utilizing the canal road. Morgan stated that the people walking on the canal road let their dogs and kids play in the canal which stirs up the silt causing havoc on his filter and pump. He has approached many people; most ignore him and others use very vulgar language.

Morgan has contacted Marshall many times over this issue. Marshall noted that the District has updated its “No Trespassing” signs and has also encountered people on the canal road. Many of these people do not want to hear that they are trespassing. Morgan stated that he has made contact with the Chelan County Sheriff’s office which states it will not do anything unless there is vandalism or someone is put in harm’s way. The sheriff deputy suggested that the District place a gate across the canal road. Unfortunately, this is not feasible. Attorney Sonn explained that the canal road easement in the vicinity of the Morgan property that lies below the canal. Morgan’s property is above the canal. Discussion followed.

The District will continue posting “No Trespassing” signs. The District, as it has done in the past with newspaper announcements, will continue to advise people on the purpose of the canal roads through its new web-site.

Morgan left the meeting at 8:50 a.m.

Abhold presented a quote from Jacob’s Heating, Cooling & Refrigeration that was not available for August 13, 2020 Board of Directors meeting. Jacob’s quote is \$4,637.90 with plans to rebuild the shop heater. The quote comes with a 36-month parts and labor warranty. Abhold recapped the board of the quotes received at the August meeting. They are as followed:

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| • Dick’s Heating and Air Conditioning | \$ 9,000 |
| • Salcido Connection, Inc.            | \$38,000 |

Abhold stated that Dick’s Heating and Air Conditioning will remove the inside of the current system and replace it with a new Trane-10 air handler which comes with a 1-year parts warranty and first year free labor. Discussion followed.

Moved by VanWinkle, seconded by Stimac and carried to accept the quote from Dick’s Heating and Air Conditioning.

Terry Adams arrived at 9:00 a.m.

After introductions, Marshall noted that Adams is appearing before the board regarding an incident that happened on March 16, 2018 (see minutes from April 12, 2018). Adams stated he came home and found a District employee inside his fenced yard. He asked, “Who gave you the authority?” Adams advised the Board that the District personnel did not just trim the trees on the right-of-way, but also cut 8 Maple trees that were planted by his wife’s grandfather in June 2003. Adams stated that he believes that his property was singled out by the District’s former Superintendent since none of his neighbor’s properties were disturbed. Adams also stated that the former Secretary/Manager did apologize for cutting the trees. Adams sought legal counsel. Adams continued to talk about things the District had done in the past. President Smith apologized for the situation and asked Adams for a solution. Adams stated that the process needs to change. Marshall stated that two years ago the District implemented a change in its tree trimming. The District’s Assistant Manager makes contact with the property owner to discuss the work to be done and has had positive results. Adams again continued to talk about the former Secretary/Manager and Superintendent. President Smith again asked for a solution. In May, the District Secretary sent a claim for damage form to be completed by Adams and submitted to the Districts insurance company. Adams stated that he does not want to involve the insurance company because an insurance settlement may jeopardize the exemption received on his property taxes. Adams asked for the District to make him an offer. Stimac stated that is why the District has insurance. Attorney Sonn stated that the District is a government entity and will not make an offer as Adams request. Adams must file a claim.

Adams left the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Abhold showed the Board a fractured steel nipple removed from the pipeline on Beat 3 and stated that there are 25 more that need to be replaced. However, replacement of the nipples will involve work in a confined space. Currently the District has one retrieval system, but would like to have two groups of people working on this project. Therefore, another retrieval system is needed. Abhold has received a \$4,639.72 quote from Norco. Discussion followed regarding the equipment. It is the consensus of the Board to purchase one retrieval system from Norco.

9:50 a.m. Moved by Winkle, and carried to move into a 5-minute Executive Session Pursuant to R.C.W. 42.30.110(i) to discuss potential litigation.

9:55 a.m. Moved back into regular meeting. No action was taken.

Marshall stated he had a meeting with Selland Construction to discuss the potential of crossing under the District's wood stave pipe near Peters Street with a sewer line which was referred to RH2 Engineering for review.

Marshall requested that the truck bed formally on 5-yard dump truck which is now being utilized as a water truck be sent to auction.

Moved by VanWinkle, seconded by Stimac and carried that the truck bed formerly on a 5-yard dump truck be declared surplus and sent to auction.

Marshall has requested detailed spec sheets from RH2 Engineering for all types of canal crossings. The approximate cost is \$1,500.

Marshall received a rough cost estimate to replace the Warm Springs Flume with welded steel or CorTen that doesn't need to be painted. The price probably ends up being about the same. The costs assume all work is contracted out and are as follows:

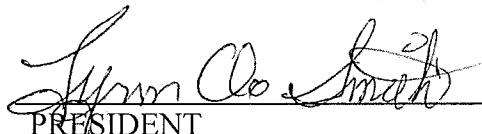
- \$ 20,000 Demolition and disposal
  - \$ 60,000 Materials, shipped
  - \$ 45,000 Installation
  - \$ 35,000 Contingency/design
- \$160,000

A Water Right Transfer agreement to transfer 0.31 share of water from Leon and Bonnie Grant to Gray Higgins Rental Management LLC was signed.

Revolving Fund Checks Nos. 10671 through 10699 for Accounts Payable in the amount of \$17,328.17 were approved for payment.

Revolving Fund Checks for payroll and payroll benefits for August in the amount of \$100,377.46 were approved for payment.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

  
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PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY

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