

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**April 11, 2023**  
**64697 Cook Avenue**  
**Bend, Oregon 97703**

BOARD: Ron Cochran, Martin Warbington, Jack Farley, Steve Putnam, Carol Shull  
STAFF: Chris Schull, April Harris Spath  
ATTORNEY: Mark Reinecke  
GUESTS: Greg Mohnen, Susan Hart, Dave Arnold, Rebecca Arnold, Todd Peplin, Marianne Walker, Bendt Broderson

Chairman Cochran called the regular board meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and appointed April Harris Spath scribe.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT**

At 10:00 a.m. the Board recessed the regular session and entered executive session per:

- ORS 192.660(2)(f): To consider information or records that are exempt from disclosure by law, including written advice from your attorney.
- ORS 192.660(2)(h): To consult with your attorney regarding your legal rights and duties in regard to current litigation or litigation that is more likely than not to be filed.
- ORS 192.660(2)(e): To conduct deliberations with persons you have designated to negotiate real property transactions.

**RECONVENE**

Following the executive session, the regular session was reconvened at 11:08 a.m.

**APPROVE MINUTES OF MARCH 2023 BOARD MEETING**

Chairman Cochran suggested adding the word “available” to the portion of the minutes that refers to the 540 acres being for sale. Vice Chair Warbington made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 2023 board meeting with the suggested edit. Director Farley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**WATER SUPPLY REPORT**

Manager Schull reviewed the current water supply report and attached graph, which indicated that Crescent Lake was 10% full at ~8800 AF. He is still hopeful that we will have at least 18,000 AF by July so that we can do a rotation like last year. Tumalo Creeks flows are still very low and will remain low until the weather gets warmer.

**GROUP 6A**

Manager Schull updated the Board on the progress of construction. K&E Excavating reached substantial completion and only had a few touch ups to complete. They commissioned the Pressure Relief Valve (PRV) that was installed near the intersection of Pinehurst Rd and Hwy 20 and performed a test that delivered 40 cfs to Gerking Market in 20 minutes, which is much more than was needed but showed that the project was successful.

**STEIDL DAM**

Work on Steidl Dam is complete for this season’s scheduled maintenance.

### **RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WATERSMART GRANT APPLICATION SUBMITTAL**

The Board reviewed Resolution 2023-01 which authorizes Manager Schull to sign the Watersmart grant application submittal for the BOR grant application. Vice Chair Warbington made a motion to approve the resolution. Director Putnam seconded the motion and all directors signed the resolution.

### **REQUEST FOR REPAIR**

The Board reviewed a letter from Mark Reynolds regarding a repair he had done on a portion of pipe that was damaged during the Group 3 piping project and then repaired by Taylor NW. Part of that repaired section broke again last month. Reynolds hired a company to repair it, but the receipt for repairs that Reynolds submitted included work that did not seem directly related to the broken pipe. Therefore, the Board did not feel it was the District's responsibility to cover all the costs of the recent repairs. Manager Schull suggested TID reimburse him a portion of the labor and parts needed to reconnect the line. Director Shull made a motion to approve payment in the amount of \$862 with an agreement that Reynolds' signs a release of liability. Director Putnam seconded the motion, and it was approved by a vote of four to zero. Chairman Cochran abstained from the vote.

### **CELL TOWER EASEMENT**

LightSpeed Networks requested a Telecommunications Line Easement to bring a fiber optic cable to the Verizon cell tower that is on TID land off Bill Martin Road. If granted, they agreed to pay consideration in the amount of \$3,500. Director Farley made a motion granting Manager Schull authority to sign the easement. Director Putnam seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

### **OTHER**

Chairman Cochran made a motion to declare the 540 acres, formerly known as the Cascade Mining Pit and recently rezoned to MUA-10, surplus property available for sale. Director Putnam seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

A couple reached out to the District and requested permission to install a couple of American Kestrel nest boxes on the 540 property near Mock Road. The Board discussed possible liabilities to the District if it were allowed. Vice Chair Warbington made a motion to approve the request with the understanding that the property could sell in the near future. Director Farley seconded the motion. Directors Putnam and Shull were opposed. The motion was approved with Chairman Cochran voting in favor of the request.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Todd Peplin, Programs Lead with the Deschutes Soil and Water Conservation District, discussed the IWM Workshop that was held last month. He stated a total of 37 people attended the workshop and most of the attendees were from Tumalo. He thanked the District for their part in getting the notice out about the event.

David Arnold requested the District update their website more frequently, particularly in relation to water supply updates.

### **MOTION TO APPROVE APRIL 2023 VOUCHER LIST**

Director Shull made a motion to approve the April 2023 voucher list. Director Putnam seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**NEXT MEETING DATE**

The date of the next board meeting was set for May 9, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

**ADJOURN**

Vice Chair Warbington made a motion to adjourn the regular board meeting at 12:05 p.m. Director Shull seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.