

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
December 14, 2021
64697 Cook Avenue
Bend, Oregon 97703

BOARD: Ron Cochran, Jack Farley, Steve Putnam, Martin Warbington, Carol Shull
STAFF: Chris Schull, April Harris Spath
ATTORNEY: Mark Reinecke
GUESTS: Todd Peplin

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

At 10:02 a.m. the Board recessed the regular session and entered executive session per:

- ORS 192.660(2)(e): To conduct deliberations with persons you have designated to negotiate real property transactions.
- 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.

RECONVENE

Following the executive session, the regular session was reconvened at 11:30 a.m.

APPROVE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 2021 BOARD MEETINGS

Director Warbington made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 2021 board meetings. Director Shull seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

WATER SUPPLY REPORT

Manager Schull reviewed the current water supply report and attached graphs, which indicated that Crescent Lake had only gained 500-acre feet since the last report. Manager Schull attended the OWRC Annual Conference in Hood River and stated that based on the reports from the presenters at the conference, the water supply outlook for all of Oregon was not looking good.

STEIDL DAM UPDATE

JAL Construction is in the process of installing the three new slide gates on Steidl Dam, which has been more challenging than they expected because although the river levels are lower than usual, they are replacing the main river gates.

GROUP 6A

Black Rock Consulting is still moving forward on the design process for piping the South Columbia Southern canal and are monitoring material costs.

WATER THEFT POLICY

The Board reviewed the proposed revisions to the Water Theft Policy, which was revised, and the consequences for misuse and theft were made very clear. Manager Schull and Attorney Reinecke

answered the board's questions about the revisions. Director Putnam made a motion to approve the revised Water Theft Policy. Vice Chair Farley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

2007 YUKON & 2009 SILVERADO

Director Putnam made a motion to declare the 2007 Yukon and 2009 Silverado surplus property and authorize the purchase of a new vehicle to replace the Yukon. Director Warbington seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

2022 ANNUAL BUDGET

The Board discussed the annual budget for 2022. At the November 9, 2021 special meeting the Board discussed raising the annual assessments \$3 per account and \$2 per acre. The Board discussed the proposed 3.5% for the COLA increase for current staff and decided on 4%. The Board also decided to leave the District fees the same, except for the addition of a \$250 fee for the new SB 267 Pilot Project which covers temporary water transfers. Vice Chair Farley made a motion to approve the 2022 Annual Budget with the discussed changes. Director Putnam seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Todd Peplin, Programs Lead with the Deschutes Soil and Water Conservation District, stated that they are still waiting for funds to become available from Deschutes County for the program that provides assistance with on-farm improvements. Peplin is currently working with one of TID's patrons to utilize the program.

MOTION TO APPROVE DECEMBER 2021 VOUCHER LIST

Director Putnam made a motion to approve the December 2021 voucher list. Vice Chair Farley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The date of the annual board meeting was set for January 11, 2022.

ADJOURN

Director Putnam made a motion to adjourn the regular board meeting at 12:25 p.m. Director Shull seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.