

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE
HEART MOUNTAIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT
JULY 14, 2015

The July regular meeting of the Heart Mountain Irrigation District's Board of Commissioners was held at the Heart Mountain Irrigation District office located at 1206 Road 18, Powell, Wyoming on Tuesday, July 14, 2015. Commissioners present: Brian Duyck, Pat Nelson, Brad Ferguson, Scott Hecht and Travis Jackson. Others in attendance were Manager Gary Kellogg, Secretary/Treasurer Crystal Bennion, Land Owners Steven Youngbauer, John Hensley for Larry Roop, Terry Wornath and Earl Claudson.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am, by President Brian Duyck.

President Brian Duyck called for the reading of the minutes from the regular meeting of Commissioners held on June 09, 2015. Discussion was had on the minutes from the June regular meeting. Commissioner Travis Jackson made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 09, 2015 regular meeting. Commissioner Pat Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

President Brian Duyck called for the Treasurer's Report; a copy is attached to these minutes.

Secretary/Treasurer Crystal Bennion reported that after the payment of the bills presented, the O&M checking account will have a balance of \$279,476.01. The Money Market at Bank of Powell has a balance of \$227,519.86. Certificate of Deposit, #...872 at Bank of Powell has a zero balance-funds were transferred to the Money Market at the Bank of Powell. Certificate of Deposit, #...951 at Bank of Powell has a balance of \$55,309.10. Certificate of Deposit, #...952 at Bank of Powell has a balance of \$25,140.50. The Certificate of Deposit at Big Horn Federal Savings has a balance of \$112,214.44. The Certificate of Deposit at First Bank of Wyoming has a balance of \$386,705.03. There is a total of \$18,909.57 in outstanding accounts receivable. As of July 14, 2015, there is a grand total of \$1,086,364.94 available in District funds. Commissioner Pat Nelson made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Commissioner Scott Hecht seconded the motion. Motion carried.

President Brian Duyck called for the review of unpaid bills in the amount of \$31,210.14. Review and discussion followed. Commissioner Pat Nelson made a motion to pay the current bills for a total amount of \$31,210.14 as presented. Commissioner Brad Ferguson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Steven Youngbauer and John Hensley, who works for Larry Roop with the Gwinn Water Association, came before the Board. Lengthy discussion was had with them regarding the problems their Water Association is having with flooding problems due to the changing of a waste ditch. The Board had the water shut off on the north side until the flooding problems could be fixed and Mr. Youngbauer and Mr. Hensley were concerned that this would affect them. The Board told them it would not. Manager Kellogg will inspect the waste ditch before water is allowed back on.

Lengthy discussion was had concerning Turnout R6N-03 shared by Ben McDonald and Tim Duyck. Mr. McDonald would like more water than he is allowed. Manager Kellogg and Commissioner Scott Hecht will meet with both Land Owners together to discuss a solution for them both to receive the water they need without causing injury to either party.

Land Owner Leona Pond mailed a certified letter to the Board. A copy is attached to these minutes. Her property keeps getting flooded. The waste ditch that runs by her property needs cleaned. Manager Kellogg will get with Ditch Rider Jeff Livingston and discuss what needs to be done and whose responsibility it is to clean the waste ditch.

The Board of Commissioners would like to put out a friendly reminder to all Land Owners to please maintain their waste ditches and be respectful of their neighbors or their water will be shut off.

Land Owner Terry Wornath came before the Board. He has a head gate that he would like to leave open all season long and he would like to fill a drainage ditch that runs through his property. Manager Kellogg will get together with Ditch Rider Tim Harvey to discuss this and how it will affect Turnout R4S.

Earl Claudson came before the board. He still is not getting the water he needs. He would like to run pipe from the 1st box down to Land Owner Bill Oliver. Lengthy discussion was had. Manager Kellogg will check it out again to see what might be causing the low water flow.

President Brian Duyck called for the Manager's Report. Manager Gary Kellogg reported that he had met with Paul Blough and Bill McJunkin to discuss the enlargement process. They said that the map is getting cluttered and there is not a lot of room to show the re-classification of the new enlargement. Cost of the enlargement was discussed and the Board would like Manager Kellogg to have something put in writing showing this. Discussion was had regarding what is needed to satisfy the Bureau of Reclamation and Landis Weber with the State Engineers Office. Manager Kellogg will invite Holm and Blough to our next Board Meeting.

Manager Kellogg reported on the underground drainage along Lane 12 that was clogged due to tree roots. The District has cleaned out what they could to get the water flowing again without the water backing up. The District will pay to fix these problems the first time, but if it continues in the same area, the landowner will be responsible for the cost after the first fix.

Discussion was had on the weeds in the District. The District Weed Sprayer cannot get the weeds to die after spraying them. She will check with the Weed & Pest to see what other chemicals can be used.

Manager Kellogg reported to the Board about the problem Shoshone Irrigation District is having at Iron Creek. One of the Districts land lessee's did not clean the waste ditch which plugged up the headgate. The District has shut off his water until the problem can be fixed.

Discussion was had regarding the leak under the road by Lyle Evelo and Ty Henderson's property. The county is watching it and the District will fix it after the water season ends if it does not get any worse.

Manager Kellogg will follow-up on the moss control chemical being used by Shoshone Irrigation District to see if it is something the District is interested in using.

Discussion was had on amending the July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 Budget. Commissioner Travis Jackson made a motion to approve the Resolution of the Heart Mountain Irrigation District to amend the July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 Budget and to have President Brian Duyck sign it. Commissioner Pat Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Resolution is attached to these minutes.

Commissioner Travis Jackson made a motion to open a new Money Market for New Equipment Purchases with \$40,000.00 from the O & M Checking Account and then move both the New Equipment Purchase CD's at the Bank of Powell to the new Money Market. Commissioner Pat Nelson seconded the motion. Vote was 3 against the motion and 1 for the motion. Motion died.

Commissioner Brad Ferguson made a motion to open a new Money Market for New Equipment Purchases with \$40,000.00 from the O & M Checking Account. Commissioner Scott Hecht seconded the Motion. Motion carried.

Discussion was had on WAPA Allocation.

Commissioner Scott Hecht made a motion for Manager Kellogg and Secretary/Treasurer Bennion to look at health insurance options for the District. Commissioner Brad Ferguson seconded it. Motion carried.

Commissioner Scott Hecht made a motion to approve the Budget Salary Compensation for Manager Kellogg. Commissioner Brad Ferguson seconded it. Motion carried.

The Board asked Secretary/Treasurer Bennion to put the Manager Ad in the newspapers again.

Hearing no further business to come before the Board; President Brian Duyck adjourned the July regular meeting of the Heart Mountain Irrigation District's Board of Commissioners at 12:05 pm.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Brian Duyck, President

ATTEST:

Crystal Bennion, Secretary/Treasurer