

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE  
HEART MOUNTAIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
AUGUST 11, 2015

The August 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, August 11, 2015. Commissioners present: Brian Duyck, Pat Nelson, Brad Ferguson and Scott Hecht. Commissioners not present were Travis Jackson. Others in attendance were Manager Gary Kellogg, Secretary/Treasurer Crystal Bennion and Bill McJunkin and Ben McDonald from Holm, Blough & Company.

The meeting was called to order at 8:58 am by President Brian Duyck.

President Brian Duyck called for the reading of the minutes from the regular meeting of Commissioners held on July 14, 2015. Discussion was had on the minutes from the July regular meeting. Commissioner Brad Ferguson made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 14, 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 \$155,900.52. The Money Market at Bank of Powell has a balance of \$227,519.86. 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 \$3,633.77 in outstanding accounts receivable. As of August 11, 2015, there is a grand total of \$1,002,789.45 available in District funds. Commissioner Pat Nelson made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Commissioner Brad Ferguson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

President Brian Duyck called for the review of unpaid bills in the amount of \$34,249.26. Review and discussion followed. Commissioner Brad Ferguson made a motion to pay the current bills for a total amount of \$34,249.26 as presented. Commissioner Pat Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

President Brian Duyck updated the Board with the flooding problem on Caboose Lane. One of the land owners is still not happy with the situation. President Duyck called the District's Attorney, Mary Reed. She said the District is doing all they can by delivering water to the high point and to inform the Water Master to give the individual in question 1 foot of water per 70 acres. If the Association continues to have problems, they need to put the waste ditch back to the original plan. Manager Kellogg met with Landis Webber, with the State Engineers Office. Mr. Webber said the District and the Water Master of Gwinn Water Users Association needs to continue to keep good documentation on the situation and to keep track of what amounts of water all the association users are using.

The meeting between the District and Ben McDonald and Tim Duyck has been rescheduled to a later date.

President Brian Duyck called for the Manager's Report. Manager Gary Kellogg reported on the water level in the canal. He also informed the Board that one of the District's Operators has quit and the District is advertising for another Operator to assist Scott Petrich. Manager Kellogg also informed the Board about the Rubicon Screen having no communication. Manager Kellogg talked with Zach from Rubicon and he thought the problem was with the Repeater. Manager Kellogg has them working on it.

Manager Kellogg talked to the Board about the water pressure at H57-03-02. The pipe going in is 15", not 18" and the pipe going out of the box has very little rise. Land owner Claudson would still like to install a separate line to land owner Bill Oliver.

The District received an email from the renter in the Ditch Rider 1 House, Christine Rodko. She said the oven quit working but the stove still works. The Board does not want to replace the appliance.

Discussion was had on the Preliminaries on R15. Sage Civil Engineering asked the District if the plans could involve lowering the ditch two feet so a vent would not need to be put in. Manager Kellogg said no as it would involve too much time and money. The plans call for using 54” and 72” Dura Max Pipe and each ditch will have its own turn out. The Board would like to see the plans before construction is started.

Discussion was had on Ditch Rider Rusty McKeen and all the work he is putting into the Ditch Rider house to make it livable. The Board would like more information on what Rusty has put into the house.

The District is having valve malfunctions on H141. The crew is replacing the old headgate with a new one.

The District is still working on acquiring health insurance.

After consulting with local engineer firms, the District has chosen Holm, Blough & Company to give the District an exclusive proposal for the enlargement of the Districts Class 6 Reclassification. The District told Holm, Blough & Company they would like to use a 1 to 1000 scale instead of many smaller maps. Holm and Blough cannot physically survey all Class 6 land so they will go by the Districts GIS Maps and reassurance from the Bureau and State that this will be acceptable. Once the Board has this proposal stating what will be done and charged, they will then do a budget for the project. The Board would like this proposal by the next Board Meeting if possible.

Hearing no further business to come before the Board; President Brian Duyck adjourned the August regular meeting of the Heart Mountain Irrigation District’s Board of Commissioners at 10:40 am.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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Brian Duyck, Board President

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Crystal Bennion, Secretary/Treasurer