

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING  
OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE  
HEART MOUNTAIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
FEBRUARY 13, 2018

The February Annual Meeting of the Heart Mountain Irrigation Districts Board of Commissioners was held at the Mountain View Clubhouse, 1001 Road 18, Powell, Wyoming on February 13th, 2018. President Brian Duyck called the meeting to order at 9:03 am and introduced the Heart Mountain Irrigation District Board Members and the Employees of the Heart Mountain Irrigation District.

On a motion made by Forrest Allen and seconded by Rudy Jolovich, it was moved that the President suspend with the calling of the roll stating that a quorum was present. Motion carried. A sign in sheet is attached to these minutes.

President Brian Duyck took a moment to thank the funding sponsors of the Annual Meeting. Funding for the donuts by James Seckman of Seckman accounting; coffee, juice and pop by Larry French of Farm Bureau; lunch by First Bank of Wyoming, Bank of Powell, Big Horn Federal Savings, Pinnacle Bank and furnished by Famous Dave's.

President Brian Duyck introduced the Board of Commissioners and acknowledged the attending guests. A copy of guest list is attached with these minutes.

President Brian Duyck read the minutes from the 2017 Annual Meeting. Edits were discussed. Forrest Allen made a motion to approve the minutes as amended from the 2017 annual meeting. Marian Morrison seconded the motion. Motion carried.

President Duyck called upon Secretary/Treasurer Tyler Weckler to give the annual treasurers report. Tyler Weckler went through the 2017 Annual Treasurer Report, the 5 year historic data and noted this year's decrease in excess water income. Landowner Kelly Spiering made a motion to approve the treasurers' report. Jessie Fowler seconded the motion; motion passed. A copy of this report is attached to these minutes.

President Brian Duyck asked guest speaker Mr. James Seckman from Seckman Accounting, to provide is annual audit report. Mr. Seckman noted the financial statements were in accordance with accounting principles. Mr. Seckman discussed significant labor cuts by management which helped the current cash position. Mr. Seckman reviewed the districts statement of cash flows, debt and changes with capital assets. A full copy of his analysis is filed at the district office and available upon request. The Board of Commissioners thanked Mr. Seckman for his financial analysis.

Mr. Forman was asked to provide his lobbying report addressing upcoming House and Senate Bills that can affect the local farming communities. Mr. Forman read some 2018 general session bills effecting seasonal unemployment requirements and funding for specialty crops. The District Manager asked the landowners to contact their local representatives on matters that concern the district. Mr. Forman agreed this was important in getting issues passed; Vice President Pat Nelson had sent pictures to Wyoming Water Development Commissioners showing the resent liner washout to communicate the need for grant funding. Mr. Forman was thanked by the Board of Commissioners for his report.

President Brian Duyck asked guest speaker Ann Trosper with the Willwood Dam Working Group #3 to speak. Mrs. Trosper noted her working group has identified many potential sources for sediment loading and has

initiated monitoring at some of the sources. She provided a handout with dates for future activities of this working group. President Brian Duyck thanked Mrs. Trosper for her time.

President Brian Duyck asked guest speaker Josh Schorb with the Park County Weed and Pest to speak. Mr. Schorb discussed the 4 different mixes of seed and noted some seeds were harvested from Heart Mountain growers. Mr. Schorb encouraged re-seeding, indicated upcoming pesticide application training and discouraged the use of Round-up. Mr. Schorb was thanked for his presentation.

President Brian Duyck called on District Manager Randy Watts to present his managers' report. Mr. Watts proceeded with his slide show by introducing current seasonal and full time employees. Mr. Watts continued with his water and weed control reports and noting future projects (H41 & Rattlesnake Liner) utilizing WWDC grant funding. Mr. Watts showed slides of recently completed or in-progress projects (R15, River Siphon pad, Alkali Creek, L71 Drop and Alkali Creek Bridge).

The District Manager continued with work done for district landowners showing root systems removed from drains. Mr. Watts showed slides of work derived from a list of abatement projects required by the Bureau of Reclamation. Final discussions included progress on the 5<sup>th</sup> and Final Enlargement. Preliminary reviews of the districts maps and tabulations have been completed with the edits being completed by Engineering Associates for final review. Slides showing the 5 district maps were displayed for landowners. A copy of the managers' report is attached to these minutes.

President Brian Duyck asked the landowners for any new business. Landowner Kelly Spiering made a motion to require any new subdivisions 30 acres or less to install water sprinklers. Landowner Mike Capps seconded the motion. President Brian Duyck asked for discussions on this landowner consensus vote. Discussions continued focusing on subdivision issues and solutions. After discussions majority of landowners were in favor with two opposing. Landowner consensus passed, for consideration by the by the Board of Commissioners.

Landowner Tony Jolovich made a motion to exempt the family expemti0on as defined by the planning and zoning. Rudy Jolovich seconded the motion. When asked who was in favor, it came down to a vote of hands, with 6 in favor and over 10 oppose. The motion to amend the consensus vote failed.

President Brian Duyck concluded the meeting by proceeding with the Commissioner Election of District 5 and asked for nominations from the floor. Landowner Rick Rodriguez moved to nominate Scott Hecht for Commissioner of District 5. Landowner Kelly Spiering seconded this motion. President Brian Duyck called for additional nominations three more times with none received. Landowner Kelly Spiering made a motion for a unanimous ballot for Scott Hecht. Landowner Rick Rodriguez seconded that motion. Vote passed for the unanimous ballot of Scott Hecht. Scott Hecht was elected as commissioner of district 5.

President Brian Duyck adjourned the meeting at 11:50 pm.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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Brian Duyck, Board President

ATTEST:

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Wix Tyler Weckler, Secretary Treasurer

ATTACHMENTS:

1.) HEART MOUNTAIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS AND ATTENDING GUESTS:

- District #1 Pat Nelson- Vice President
- District #2 Brad Ferguson
- District 3# Travis Jackson
- District #4 Brian Duyck- President
- District #5 Scott Hecht
- Dan Nordland & Amy Dicks, Shoshone Irrigation
- James Seckman; District Accountant
- Landis Webber; State Engineers Office, Powell
- Sage Engineering
- Mary Reed- District Attorney
- Mike Forman- Landowner with Lobbying Report
- Linda Gillett – Park County Planning & Zoning
- Engineering Associates
- Josh Schorb – Park County Weed & Pest
- Ann Trosper – Powell Clarks Fork Conservation District

## 2.) MANAGERS REPORT

- Current Employees
- Bureau of Reclamation Water Report
- Weed Control Report
- Future Projects (WWDC)
  - H41
  - Rattlesnake Liner
- Projects Finished or In Progress
  - R15
  - River Siphon South Gland Concrete Pad
  - Alkali Creek Upper Pick-up
  - L71 Drop
  - Bridge in Alkali Creek – Ralston Lateral
- Work for Others
  - Buried Drain at Gonsalves/Lehman – Lane 12
- BOR Abatement Project List
  - Buck Springs Siphon
  - 4-Bay Siphon
- 5th and Final Enlargement