

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

September 10, 2019

The Board of Directors of Lake Chelan Reclamation District met for their regular Board meeting at the office of the District on September 10, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Board President Dave Clark. Those in attendance were:

BOARD

David Clark
Paul Mogan
Nathan England
Chad Steiner

STAFF

Rodney L. Anderson
Mary Lou Brooks

GUESTS

Greg Lehman

MINUTES – FINANCIAL REVIEW – STATUS OF FUNDS

A motion was made by Director Mogan and seconded by Director Steiner to approve the August 13, 2019 minutes, budgets, and investments, as mailed. Motion carried unanimously.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Secretary-Manager Anderson presented the accounts payables for review and approval. Accounts payable checks 15723 through 15772 (including EFT payments) totaled \$447,385.08 and were broken down as follows:

Irrigation O & M Investment	\$154,095.76
Irrigation Construction	\$ 96.60
Domestic O & M Investment	\$215,049.31
Domestic Construction	\$ 14,180.32
Sewer O & M Investment	\$ 63,963.09
Sewer Construction	\$ 0.00

A motion was made by Director England and seconded by Director Mogan to approve the accounts payables as listed. Motion passed unanimously.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Irrigation: Shutdown is scheduled for October 15th.

Manager Anderson reported that during the recent electrical storm, no issues occurred and there was no damage done to our pumping plants. PUD reported only one power outage and the pump controls all did auto-restart as they were designed to do. Also, moving the transducers out of the tanks has helped.

Domestic: The bank stabilization has a few plants that have died. Olin Excavation, the project contractor, is responsible to replace any plants for the next 3-5 years. We have been in contact with them and they will replace the dead plants.

Manager Anderson informed the Board that the District recently had a false-positive test result for coliform and E-coli. The Department of Health told us that we do not need inform the public until there is a second positive test result. We immediately took more water samples and sent them to Cascade Analytical for testing at the lab. The District felt that it was a significant wait for the second set of tests, so we are working with Cascade Analytical to shorten the timeline if this possibly happens again. Our water system cannot be isolated to one area of Manson, so a positive test potentially affects every one of our customers served. This false-positive was a good exercise to see how our emergency response worked and where we need to make adjustments. The District will be updating our policies and procedures to include any changes we feel are will make us better prepared for future emergencies.

Sewer: Nothing to report.

Administrative: A draft water and sewer contract was sent to Wapato Point for their review. The water contract has not expired, but we want to combine the water and sewer contracts together for ease of negotiations.

The Washington State bi-annual audit is going well. The Board will be invited to the exit meeting when a date is set.

Jennifer and Mary Lou are both scheduled to attend the WFOA Conference September 17 to 20, in Yakima, Washington. Manager Anderson is requesting the Board approve Carolyn Anderson to come and assist with answering phones, receipting payments, limited customer assistance, and getting the mail daily. After some questions, the Board agreed to have Carolyn Anderson assist in the office during that time and pay her accordingly.

Todd Jeffries is up for re-election this year. There have been several meetings regarding the irrigation Boards election process recently. After reviewing our process, we are doing our due diligence correctly in this regard. Newspaper ads will go out regarding the Board opening in October, as well as flyers placed in the post office, library and District office.

Chris Sather wrote a letter to the Board stating her family's position regarding the District's granting a 25' setback for people to build. The County Code states that the adjacent property needs a 100' setback from any commercial agriculture. Manager Anderson stated that it may not be an issue, as the ditch that runs between the properties is 75' and the setback is 25', therefore being a 100' setback. In the future, the District will have to review each easement request on an individual basis.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Greg Lehman was present to ask the Board for reimbursement of \$1000, which is the amount of his co-pay for his insurance claim. He stated that during a water outage due to a line break and subsequent repair on April 18th, his toilet was flushed at night, then became stuck on throughout the night. The additional water overflowed his septic system, backing up into his basement. He believes this was due to our line break that occurred close to his home that night. Our insurance company reviewed the matter and determined it was the customer's septic system that failed, through no fault of the District's. After considerable discussion, and determining the customer

was not charged any overage due to his irrigation allotment, the Board determined it was not a precedence the District wanted to set and therefore rejected reimbursing Mr. Lehman his \$1000 insurance co-pay. Greg Lehman thanked the Board for their time and consideration. After further discussion, the Board believes it advisable to put in the next Newsletter information about alarms that can be attached to septic systems for any failures.

The District has recently installed 10 automatic meter reading (AMR) domestic meters. Jennifer would like to install an additional 20 AMR meters, review them over the course of the winter to see how they perform in the cold temperatures, then determine whether to install them within the entire District. There is no information to review at this time, as they were just installed. There may be some information from the first 10 meters available at the Board meeting in October. After considerable discussion, a motion was made by Director England and seconded by Director Steiner to purchase and install an additional 20 automatic meter reading (AMR) domestic meters within the District. Motion passed unanimously.

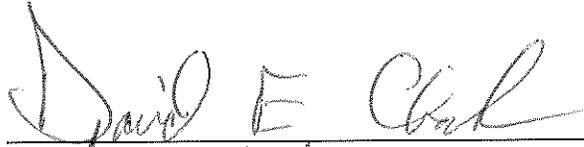
PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment at this time.

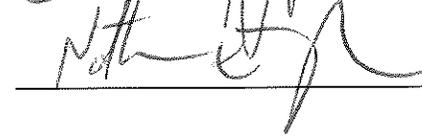
ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business to come before the Board, Board President David Clark adjourned the meeting at 9:23 a.m.

Signed:



President


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Attest:



Secretary-Manager

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