

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

May 14, 2013

The Board of Directors of Lake Chelan Reclamation District met for their regular Board meeting at the office of the District on May 14, 2013. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Board President Robert Christopher. Those in attendance were:

BOARD

Bob Christopher
Scott Sandum
Brad Barnes
Dave Clark
Paul Mogan

STAFF

Rodney L. Anderson
Mary Lou Brooks

GUESTS

Larry Jungk

MINUTES – FINANCIAL REVIEW – STATUS OF FUNDS

Director Barnes made a motion and it was seconded to approve the April 9, 2013 minutes, budgets, trial balances and investments, as mailed. Motion carried unanimously.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Secretary-Manager Anderson presented the accounts payable for review and approval. Accounts payable checks 11791 through 11834 (including an EFT payment to Dept. of Revenue for Excise Taxes) totaled \$188,555.87 and were broken down as follows:

Irrigation O & M Investment	\$ 61,164.39
Irrigation Construction	\$ 798.59
Domestic O & M Investment	\$ 67,747.02
Domestic Construction	\$ 12,230.48
Sewer O & M Investment	\$ 32,459.49
Sewer Construction	\$ 14,227.90

A motion was made by Director Sandum and was seconded to approve the accounts payable as listed. Motion passed unanimously.

MANAGER’S REPORT

Irrigation: The early hot weather has increased water usage through the system significantly but all is running well.

Domestic: Furey Street line replacement is going good, but we did run into a large rock that took time to remove and extended the completion date. This project entailed replacing a 4” AC with a 6” C900, including adding a fire hydrant at the end of a dead end line.

Pine Street line replacement is going well also and nearly finished. This project consisted of upgrading an existing 4” steel line with 8” C900, including fire hydrants.

Sewer: Nothing to report at this time.

Administration: Nothing to report at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

Manager Anderson has recently been informed that the delinquent irrigation assessments previously sent to the Chelan County Assessor has been acted upon by the Auditor's office and lien filings have been started on delinquent properties. Any assessments in arrears two years will be subject to lien proceedings and anything three years or more in arrears will be subject to foreclosure proceedings on July 1 per the County Treasurers Office.

NEW BUSINESS

Arthur Dunn, a Willow Point property owner, is requesting a quit claim deed from the District releasing our interest in a sliver of land located between his described property and the high water line of Lake Chelan. The District has done this once before in 2004. The property appears to be approximately 7-8' deep and 150' wide. After some discussion, a motion was made by Director Barnes and was seconded to approve a Quit Claim Deed for Arthur Dunn for the small sliver of property to the high water line of Lake Chelan. Mr. Dunn will be responsible for all costs associated with this action. Motion passed unanimously.

Manager Anderson stated that the District is continuing to collect information and put together a plan to implement the established policy regarding backflow prevention. The District is striving for 100% compliance going forward for all new domestic hookups. For pre-existing services Manager Anderson would like to prioritize by a risk assessment and get the highest risk properties compliant over time. Many properties will be grandfathered into the system and we would be unlikely to impose our policy on all of them.

The preliminary increase for healthcare coverage for District employees is 10.04%. We have the option of renewing for the initial 12-month period or moving the renewal date to December 2014, extending the renewal date to 18 months.

The Calendar of Events was presented by Manager Anderson for review and discussion.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Larry Jungk asked how long it takes to test a backflow device. Manager Anderson stated approximately 10 to 15 minutes. Larry then suggested billing the customers within the water District a flat fee and have a District employee test all devices. He stated that it would be more efficient for the District, as well as more cost effective, and more convenient for the customers.

Director Mogan also stated that the customers he has spoken with regarding the backflow device implementation, the consensus was to have the District test the device as a service.

Director Clark asked if there was anything further to discuss regarding the impervious water relinquished in the past and if it is available for resale. Manager Anderson stated that he is still waiting on the Bureau of Reclamation to indicate what they are willing to do for us in regards to releasing additional water back to us for dispersion. Larry Jungk asked about a friend who may be requesting to purchase water in the future, what would the steps be for him to do so. Manager Anderson stated that the land needed to be classified as irrigable first, then wait for the Bureau of Reclamation.

Manager Anderson read a letter from Nicholas R. Veroske thanking the District field crew for their swift and efficient work in cleaning up a mess on his property caused by a broken water line.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Being no additional new business or public comment Board President Robert Christopher recessed the meeting at 8:54 a.m. as allowed under RCW 42.30.110 to review the performance of a public employee. The regular meeting was reconvened into open session at 8:59 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business to come before the Board, Board President Robert Christopher adjourned the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

Signed: _____
President

Attest: _____
Secretary-Manager

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