

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

June 13, 2017

The Board of Directors of Lake Chelan Reclamation District met for their regular Board meeting at the office of the District on June 13, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Board President Robert Christopher. Those in attendance were:

BOARD

Bob Christopher
Dave Clark
Paul Mogan
Todd Jeffries
Nathan England

STAFF

Rodney L. Anderson
Mary Lou Brooks

GUESTS

Ryan Peterson

MINUTES – FINANCIAL REVIEW – STATUS OF FUNDS

Director England made a motion and it was seconded to approve the May 9, 2017 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 14347 through 14407 (including EFT payment to Dept. of Revenue for Excise & Sales Taxes and EFT to Revolving Account for Payroll and miscellaneous checks) totaled \$274,523.98 and were broken down as follows:

Irrigation O & M Investment	\$ 87,978.46
Irrigation Construction	\$ 40,009.53
Domestic O & M Investment	\$ 94,622.75
Domestic Construction	\$ 0.00
Sewer O & M Investment	\$ 51,913.24
Sewer Construction	\$ 0.00

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

MANAGER’S REPORT

Irrigation: An invoice for damages made to the ‘D’ lateral line has been sent to Gebbers Farms, but as of this date we have heard nothing in return.

Domestic: The lakeshore intake shoreline work will require permits at a cost of approximately \$35K and total project cost near \$100K. The longer we wait to begin the reconstruction work, the more expensive the work will become. We have the funds in the domestic budget to begin the work this year, but will first have to obtain bids from contractors. After considerable discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to initiate the permit process to begin fixing the proposed shoreline.

Sewer: The sewer line has been replaced from No-See-Um Road to Darnell's during the round-about construction project. We contracted with a company to manually pump Lift Station #2 during the replacement process. The line is in place, but not in use at this time.

Administrative: The revised District Policy Handbook is ready for approval, as it has been reviewed by the District's attorney, office personnel and the Board of Directors. After some discussion, Director Clark made a motion and it was seconded to accept the District Policy Handbook as proposed. Motion was approved unanimously.

We have not heard from the Forest Service regarding Antilon Lake, but we are anticipating a bill shortly. In the past we have paid half of the garbage haul-out bill and sanitary service for campers during Memorial Day weekend.

The winter recreation permit on the snow park with the Forest Service was recently renewed for another five years.

OLD BUSINESS

Ryan Peterson of RH2 Engineering was introduced by Manager Anderson. He has been assisting with the Irrigation Capital Improvement Plan and is present at our Board meeting to answer any questions and/or concerns. The Plan itself, as well as the funding, are negotiable as the Board sees fit, as the Plan is a guideline only. The motor control centers in each of the pumping plants are at the end of their life limits and we cannot locate any replacements or parts if they fail. This is the priority for the irrigation system at this time. The pumps and motors are the next big items that need to be replaced, as they are also at the end of their life limits but we think that running them closer to failure is reasonable. All pump control panels are scheduled to be replaced beginning this winter. This system is obsolete and no longer serviced by the company, but we have obtained enough parts to keep going for the short term. The plant age will begin to compromise our ability to supply water in the future, as the yearly rehabs and rebuilds of the pumps and motors will no longer be sufficient. The entire system runs at capacity during the hottest parts of the summer. Within the next few months, Manager Anderson would like to get a rate structure in place for the next 10 to 20 years for the improvements needed, and inform the customers of the rate increases coming. We will have to obtain bids for the work, but in the meantime we will be applying for Grants and propose bonds to help finance the upgrades needed. The Irrigation Capital Improvement Plan will be revisited every five to six years so that we are not so far behind in the future. After considerable discussion, Director England made a motion and it was seconded to accept the Irrigation Comp Plan as presented. Motion was approved unanimously.

It was suggested by Manager Anderson that the Board schedule a special meeting/workshop with Ryan Peterson, to discuss the rate structure for the proposed upgrades. He will obtain a place and available dates, then contact each Board member for their confirmation.

Manager Anderson informed the Board that he would also like to have a workshop where Attorney Robert Siderius could assist them in a discussion of rates to be charged customers purchasing additional irrigation water rights from the federal system and establish an equitable process.

The Fire Department has not signed their Lease as of yet, but it is hopeful that it will be signed tonight at their Commissioner's meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business to come before the Board, Board President Bob Christopher adjourned the meeting at 9:21 a.m.

Signed: _____
President

Attest: _____
Secretary-Manager

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