

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

March 9, 2021

The Board of Directors of Lake Chelan Reclamation District met for their regular Board meeting at the office of the District on March 9, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 8:02 a.m. by Board Vice-President Todd Jeffries. Those in attendance were:

<u>BOARD</u>	<u>STAFF</u>	<u>GUESTS</u>
Todd Jeffries	Rodney L. Anderson	Neil Whitman
Paul Mogan	Mary Lou Brooks	(via tele-conference)
Chad Steiner (via tele-conference)		Gary Mansell
Carl Peterson (via tele-conference)		(via tele-conference)

MINUTES – FINANCIAL REVIEW – STATUS OF FUNDS

A motion was made by Director Mogan and seconded by Director Peterson to approve the February 9, 2021 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 16640 through 16682 (including EFT payments) totaled \$426,471.66 and were broken down as follows:

Irrigation O & M Investment	\$ 60,209.77
Irrigation Construction	\$ 88,590.52
Bond Proceeds – MCC Upgrade Costs	\$125,750.86
Domestic O & M Investment	\$103,970.50
Domestic Construction	\$ 17,132.10
Sewer O & M Investment	\$ 30,817.91
Sewer Construction	\$ 0.00

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

MANAGER’S REPORT

Irrigation: Manager Anderson reported that everything has tested out positive to date and looks good at the LC MCC Rebuild Project. The field crew will begin filling the irrigation mainlines on March 15th and we are anticipating water available to all customers the first week of April.

The Old Swimming Hole (dog park) parcel transfer is complete and is now owned 100% by the Manson Parks Department.

Domestic: We have applied for our building permit with Chelan County and Steel Structures of America will be moving forward with the new shop building as soon as we have a permit.

Sewer: Nothing to report.

Administrative: Manager Anderson inquired if the District should offer an incentive to employees to get the COVID vaccinations. After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to have employees get the vaccine if they want it, but no incentives. After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to wait at least one more month to review additional data that comes in from the vaccinations.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business to report.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Neil Whitman is inquiring about an old mobile home that is partially on the District's ditch line off Wapato Lake Road. He has been spraying to keep the weeds from spreading onto his property but wants to make sure it is okay to continue. It was the consensus of the board members that Mr. Whitman may continue maintaining the property at his discretion. The mobile home is currently vacant and in disrepair, with recent damage from the high winds. After some discussion with Mr. Whitman, Manager Anderson will contact the owners of the mobile home to inquire as to their plans with the structure and notify them of the encroachment issue.

Mr. Gary Mansell has purchased a piece of property to keep his travel trailer on for summer use. He is requesting to pay one-half domestic water hookup fees. At the time he builds a home on the property, he will pay the remaining one-half domestic water hookup fees. The Board members believe this is a reasonable request and in line with other like circumstances, and agreed.

Resolution 2021-05 – WaterSmart Grants. The District has applied for grant money to cover some of the costs associated with both upgrading our domestic water meters with the automatic readers and continuing the irrigation meter replacement project. If we are approved, the grants will cover 50% of our costs for these projects. After little discussion, a motion was made by Director Mogan and seconded by Director Steiner to approve Resolution 2021-05 – WaterSmart Grant as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

The Chelan County PUD has requested an Easement across one of our ditch lines for overhead power lines that already exist. This is to clean up what is already existing with the necessary paperwork for the PUD. After little discussion, a motion was made by Director Peterson and seconded by Director Steiner to approve and sign the PUD Easement as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2021-06 – Declaration of Emergency – Water Treatment Plant Filter 1. Filter 1 at the Water Treatment Plant suffered significant damage when a valve malfunctioned and flushed more water than the filter was designed for. The high flow during a backwash sequence made several sections of the under filter fail. It took two district crew members one week to vacuum out all the anthracite to view the extent of the damage. The plant is designed to operate on the one remaining filter, but problems may occur during our peak months of July and August. As a stop-gap measure, during repairs, the valve will be replaced and an orifice plate will be installed to restrict excessive flow. This is a time sensitive costly repair and is outside our 2021 budget, therefore the need for this Declaration of Emergency Resolution. One filter could cost close to \$90,000 in materials alone, with labor in the range of \$100,000 or more. We have contacted a company that does this

type of work and they are coming to review the damage. An insurance claim has been started with Enduris to recover costs. After considerable discussion, and all questions answered, a motion was made by Director Mogan and seconded by Director Peterson to approve Resolution 2021-06 – Declaration of Emergency – Water Treatment Plant Filter 1 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business to come before the Board, Board Vice President Todd Jeffries adjourned the meeting at 8:47 a.m.

Signed: _____

President

Attest: _____

Secretary-Manager

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