

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

November 12, 2024

The Board of Directors of Lake Chelan Reclamation District met for their regular Board meeting at the office of the District on November 12, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 8:08 a.m. by President Carl A. Peterson. Those in attendance were:

BOARD

Carl Peterson
Todd Jeffries
Chad Steiner
Steven W. Petersen
Allan Torgesen (via Zoom)

STAFF

Rodney L. Anderson
Jennifer Collins

GUESTS

Dave Clark
Jared England

MINUTES – FINANCIAL REVIEW – STATUS OF FUNDS

A motion was made by Director Jeffries and seconded by Director S. Petersen to approve the October 8, 2024, minutes, budgets, and investments as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Manager Anderson presented the accounts payable for review and approval. Accounts payable checks 18977 through 19033 (including EFT payments) totaled \$688,788.51 and were broken down as follows:

Irrigation O&M Investment	\$484,095.55
Irrigation Construction	\$ 443.98
Irrigation MCC Upgrades	\$ 15,249.94
Domestic O&M Investment	\$139,506.81
Domestic Construction	\$ 0.00
Sewer O&M Investment	\$ 37,516.18
Sewer Construction	\$ 11,976.05

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

MANAGER'S REPORT

Irrigation: RH2 Engineering has started the design for Irrigation Pumping Plant Upgrade phase 4 including pumping plants E, G, and H upgrades.

Domestic: Manson Growers will need to purchase one ERU for the new Cider Press business to be compliant with district policy. An invoice will be sent.

Sewer: We will run an ad for engineering design on the Lift Station #3 rebuild.

Administration: The district advertised for two open board positions and received two petitions, therefore, there will be no elections. Chad Steiner will continue as a board member and Jared England will replace Allan Torgesen in January.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

President C. Peterson recessed the regular meeting at 8:15 a.m. and opened the Board of Equalization. Manager Anderson presented the proposed 2025 Assessment Roll and reported that our irrigation assessment roll will increase by 14 new parcels, with approximately 36.91 acres of water remaining available for sale. After Manager Anderson explained the Assessment Roll to guests present, and having no public comment, Director Jeffries made a motion to accept as presented, seconded by Director Steiner and the motion passed unanimously. Board President C. Peterson declared the 2025 Assessment Roll to be equalized, adjourned the Board of Equalization at 8:19 a.m., and reconvened the regular Board of Director's meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Director Jeffries inquired about the crane at LC Pumping Plant. Manager Anderson stated that they are removing the travelling screens at this time.

2025 Budget Proposal: Manager Anderson discussed the 2025 Budget, which is closer to its final numbers. A 2.6% rate increase for Domestic, a 3.2% rate increase for Sewer, and a 3% rate increase per acre for irrigation, is being proposed. Capital purchase includes a new service truck and capital improvements include a mechanic's bay added to the existing shop as well as the following:

Irrigation: Upgrades at E, G & H pumping plants, new travelling screens and pump control valve replacements at LC, pump & motor rebuilds.

Domestic: Line replacement on Hwy 150, WTP reservoir inspecting and cleaning, and the security/fire alarm at the WTP being replaced.

Sewer: Lift Station #3 design and rebuild, Orchard gravity line replacement and City of Chelan wastewater treatment plant upgrades. There are several projects being proposed to upgrade the City of Chelan sewer system, of which we will owe a percentage.

The district plans on using reserve money to pay for some capital purchases and improvements as needed.

Director S. Petersen inquired about recent staff additions and past turnover. Manager Anderson stated that this is the first year we have hired any new employees in several years. They are enrolled in a state internship program for water distribution and the district receives funding for their training and a portion of the mentor salaries.

A motion was made by Director Steiner and seconded by Director Jeffries to approve the 2025 Budget as presented, with the exclusion of salaries which will be discussed at the December Board meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

PUBLIC COMMENT

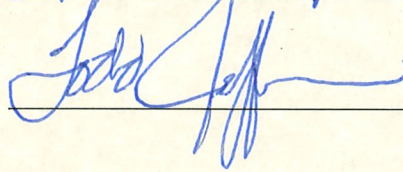
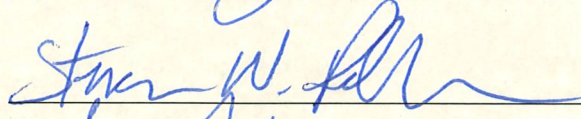
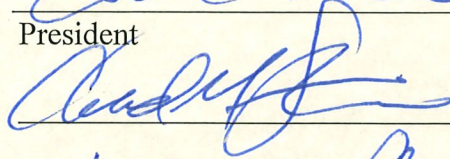
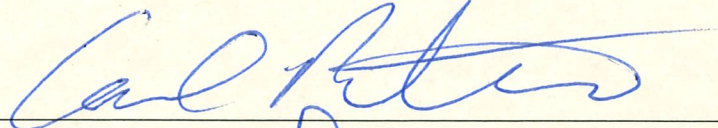
No public comment at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business to come before the Board, President C. Peterson adjourned the meeting at 9:02 am.

Signed: _____

President



Attest: _____

Secretary-Manager



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