#### REGULAR MEETING

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

November 11, 2025

The Board of Directors of Lake Chelan Reclamation District met for their regular Board meeting at the office of the District on November 11, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 8:08 a.m. by Vice President Steiner. Those in attendance were:

BOARD STAFF GUESTS

Carl A. Peterson Rodney L. Anderson Chad Steiner Mary Lou Brooks

Steven W. Petersen Jared England

# MINUTES - FINANCIAL REVIEW - STATUS OF FUNDS

A motion was made by Director England and seconded by Director Petersen to approve October 14, 2025, minutes, budgets, and investments. Motion carried unanimously.

## **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

Secretary Manager Anderson presented the accounts payable for review and approval. Accounts payable checks 19628 through 19681 (including EFT payments) totaled \$1,673,845.02 and were broken down as follows:

Irrigation O&M Investment	\$445,659.69
Irrigation Construction	\$757,127.22
Domestic O&M Investment	\$149,416.83
Domestic Construction	\$ 19,029.91
Sewer O&M Investment	\$ 43,315.78
Sewer Construction	\$260,351.18
Sewer Construction	\$260,351.18

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

## MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Anderson informed the board that the election will be held here at the office on December 9<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 8 pm. He stated that three community members have agreed to preside as Election Officers. They are Gerry Ustanik, Cindy Simmons and Thomas Fix. The election board will count the ballots received immediately after the close of polls to create a preliminary election count. A Special Board meeting will be held on Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm to ratify the election results. After some discussion a motion was made by Director Petersen and seconded by Director England to have Gerry Ustanik, Cindy Simmons and Thomas Fix preside over the 2025 election and calculate the results.

Domestic: Nothing to report.

Sewer: Nothing to report.

Administration: Nothing to report.

## **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**

Vice President Steiner recessed the regular meeting at 8:20 a.m. and opened the Board of Equalization. Manager Anderson presented the proposed 2026 Assessment Roll and reported that our irrigation assessment roll will increase by 12 new parcels, with approximately 36.91 acres of water remaining available for sale. In addition, 1.16 domestic irrigation water and 1.77 federal irrigation water has been removed from the assessment roll for various reasons. After Secretary Manager Anderson answered all questions, and having no public comment, Director England made a motion to accept the 2026 Assessment Roll as presented, subject to rate changes. The motion was seconded by Director Petersen and the motion passed unanimously. Board Vice President Steiner declared the 2026 Assessment Roll to be equalized, adjourned the Board of Equalization at 8:42 a.m., and President Peterson reconvened the regular Board of Director's meeting.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Employment Contract – Manager: Board President Peterson presented a letter and Employment Contract for Manager Rod Anderson from Attorney Robert Siderius. After reviewing the documents, Director England would like clarification on the health benefits' language, stating the term of health benefits for Manager Anderson would expire upon his retirement. A motion was made by Director Steiner and seconded by Director Petersen to approve the Employment Contract as presented, with clarification on the benefits' language. Motion passed unanimously.

Hyacinth to Sunrise Gravity Sewer Extension: The project is complete and approximately \$15,000 under budget. Everything went well.

H2A Housing Utility Rates: Manager Anderson presented a spreadsheet to the Board members for review with additional water and sewer rates for 15 and 20 men per ERU. Director England wanted to see the rates for orchard seasonal cabins. After review of all rates presented, and considerable discussion, a motion was made by Director Steiner and seconded by Director Petersen to adopt the 20 men per ERU for H2A housing going forward. Motion passed unanimously.

Irrigation MCC Upgrade Project phase 4: The contractor, Farmers Electric, asked and were granted early access to the three remaining pumping plants, due to the mild weather conditions. Concrete removal has been done, new conduit and steel laid, and with the new concrete already poured. The Motor Control Center equipment has been delivered from Mexico and stored at our shop.

2026 Budget: Secretary Manager Anderson requested to postpone discussion regarding the 2026 Budget until after the 'New Business' items discussion.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Irrigation Water Extension Agreement – Green Ave/Hawkins Plat: Manager Anderson presented an Irrigation Water Extension Agreement for the Green Ave/Hawkins Plat. After little discussion, a motion was made by Director Steiner and seconded by Director Petersen to approve the Irrigation Water Extension Agreement as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 2025-09 Irrigation Capital Budget Amendment and Resolution 2025-10 Sewer Capital Budget Amendment: Both Resolutions were presented to the Board. After Board review, a motion was made by Director Steiner and seconded by Director England to approve Resolution 2025-09 and Resolution 2025-10 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

2026 DRAFT Budget: Secretary Manager Anderson presented the updated draft 2026 Budget to the Board members. He outlined staying with 2025 rates for irrigation, increasing sewer by \$1.50, or 2.3% and increasing domestic water by \$1.50 or 3.2%. He stated that there are large projects within the next 5-10 years in the \$5M to \$10M range for the water treatment plant including rebuilding the "brains" of the plant, add an additional tank and add a 3<sup>rd</sup> filter bay. He emphasized capital purchases of a new F250 utility truck, a small mini excavator, and the third and final phase of the office remodel. We have begun rebuilding the sewer lift stations with two more large ones to finish, then the smaller ones. The Board came to a consensus to approve the 2026 Budget in its entirety at the next Board meeting in December.

Director England asked if there was any update regarding the irrigation payoff with the Bureau. Secretary Manager Anderson stated that he was still waiting to hear if the BPA is going to pay their portion of the electrical contract. He will reach out to Clyde in the Ephrata office and Toby to see if they had heard anything.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment at this time.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Being no further business to come before the Board, Board President Carl Peterson adjourned the meeting at 9:42 a.m.

Attest:

Signed:

President

Attest:

Secretary-Manager

November 2025