

Enterprise Irrigation District
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
November 11, 2024 @ 8:30am
Location: Starv'n Marv'ns'

Meeting called to order by Chairman Mike Beeson @ 8:37am

Attending:

Bill Hantzmon, Board Director
Cheryl Lee, Office Manager
Shane McDonald, Manager, Board Secretary

Absent:

Tracy Ronningen, Vice Chairman

Visitors:

Gene Souza, KID
Bill Harworth, District Patron
Jon Hall, District Patron

Regular Session:

Visitors: Gene Souza, Executive Director of KID was present to give an update of the status of water in the Basin. He handed out a sheet that covered many years of watering as well as what those past water years would have looked like if the new Proposed Action from the B of R was in place at that time. There is a copy of this sheet attached to these minutes for reference. He added at this time all or almost all regulation is for downstream salmon. He foresees the Klamath Tribes litigating the new Proposed Action. The Board asked what the new administration could do for irrigators in the Klamath Basin. Gene stated they are going to try to reach out to the Trump administration as soon as possible to help streamline help quickly. It may be through multiple points of contact in Washington DC, but we will be more aggressive. In addition, KID is waiting for the Supreme Court for an appeal they have with the ninth circuit court regarding the State of Oregon not performing there duties as ordered by a judge. The EID Board of Directors requested Gene let them know if there is any way our District can help in these areas to let them know. Gene explained what the B of R is trying to do with approximately \$50 million allocated to the basin for water use. Some of these monies could go toward certain properties being permanently idled. Meaning the federal government would pay landowners to give up the water on these lands forever. This idea has just been brought to the Districts attention and Gene and Shane will monitor it closely. Due to time constraints on the meeting we had to curtail Gene's presentation and thanked him for coming to our meeting. Bill Harworth and Jon Hall left at this time.

Review the Minutes of October 14, 2024: The Board received and reviewed the Minutes of October 14, 2024. There were no questions or comments regarding these Minutes, and **Bill Hantzmon made a motion to accept these minutes, seconded by Mike Beeson. Motion passed unanimous.**

Update Members on Financial Status of the District: The Board reviewed the Vendor Lists first. There were no questions or issues on the Vendor List. The Board then reviewed the Balance Sheet. There were no questions or issues regarding the Balance Sheet. The Board then moved on to the Profit and Loss. There was no further discussion on any of the financials and **Bill Hantzmon then made a motion to accept the financials as presented, seconded by Mike Beeson, motion passed unanimous.**

Assessor List: Cheryl Lee informed the Board she verified EID will be getting a check for the payments in the month of October. She then stated the County expects four more payments for EID in the month of November. There was no further discussion.

Draft Budget: McDonald explained to the Board the Ethics went up because the year the State is basing the fee off of is our highest income year. The property taxes have been reassessed because the County has seen the rental at PS2 as an income. The rest was tabled until a future meeting because Tracy Ronningen was absent. There was no further discussion.

JPA Information: Gene Souza informed the Board a lot of information and work will be done from now to the end of December, 2025, KID will be paying their share of JPA. The Board decided it would be beneficial to pay the JPA and to stay with them for now. There was no further discussion.

District Website: Cheryl Lee explained the cost with Streamline for administering the website will increase from \$84.00 to \$155.00. This increase is due to the additional requirements for ADA from the State and Federal levels Streamline will have to administer and monitor for the District. There was no further discussion.

Operations Update: McDonald explained to the Board that Leo, at this time, is the only field worker and he will be focusing on open canal cleaning and debris removal. In addition, Leo is looking at a couple of small piping projects which could be cost shared between the District and landowners. He will be gathering prices and talking with the landowners in the near future. There was no more discussion.

Rails to Trails Fence Issue: McDonald went over some cleaning Bill Harworth would like done at the property next to him and the Rails to Trails walking path. He stated he and Leo will go over and look at it and get a plan to move some debris out and level it to make it easier to mow. There was no further discussion.

Schedule December Board Meeting: After reviewing their schedules the Board set the meeting the Second Monday, December 9, 2024 at 8:30am at Starvn Marvn's Restaurant. In addition, the Board directed McDonald to set up a special meeting for the budget, if needed.

No Executive Session Needed.

Bill Hantzmon made a motion to adjourn regular session, seconded by Mike Beeson, meeting adjourned at 10:38am.

Respectfully submitted by,

Shane McDonald, Manager

Approved by _____
Mike Beeson, Chairman