

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF JOINT COMMITTEE
OF THE OWYHEE PROJECT**

November 16, 2021

A meeting of the Joint Committee of the Owyhee Project was held on November 16, 2021, at the District office located at 422 Thunderegg Blvd., Nyssa, Oregon, at 1:00 p.m. Eric White, Chairman of the Joint Committee presiding.

The following members of the Joint Committee were present:

Eric White	Frank Ausman
Chris Landa	Bruce Corn
Jerry Nagaki (OID Alternate)	

Also present were: Clancy Flynn, Manager of Owyhee Irrigation District; Michael W. Horton, Secretary and Legal Counsel; John Eells, South Board Manager; and Linda Henderson, member of the public:

MEETING NOTICE. The meeting agenda showed that public notice of the meeting was given on November 10, 2021.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. Chairman Eric White led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES. The minutes of the regular meeting of the Joint Committee held on October 19, 2021, were reviewed by the Committee members. A motion was made by Mr. Nagaki, seconded by Mr. Ausman, and unanimously carried approving the minutes.

TUNNEL #1 POWER PROJECT.

Tunnel #1 Financial Report. Mr. Flynn handed out financial reports for the Tunnel Power Project which were reviewed by the Committee members. Mr. Flynn said that the bond payment has not yet been made. He said he is currently running the numbers and that Tyler Sweet is gone right now.

Tunnel #1 Power Project Accounts Payable. The Committee members reviewed the accounts payable listed on the agenda for the Tunnel #1 Power Project. A motion was made by Mr. Ausman, seconded by Mr. Landa, and unanimously carried approving payment of the accounts payable as follows:

Stunz, Fonda, Kiyuna, Horton	\$703.00
Oregon-Idaho Utilities	256.13
Spiegel & McDiarmid	10,020.47
OWRD	6,440.64
Nichols Accounting Group	<u>375.00</u>
Total	\$17,795.24

OWYHEE DAM POWER PROJECT.

Owyhee Dam Financial Report. Mr. Flynn handed out financial reports for the Owyhee Dam Power Project which were reviewed by the Committee members.

Owyhee Dam Accounts Payable. The Committee members reviewed the accounts payable listed on the agenda for the Owyhee Dam Power Project. A motion was made by Mr. Landa, seconded by Mr. Corn, and unanimously carried approving payment of the accounts payable as follows:

AT&T	\$51.23
Oregon-Idaho Utilities	225.60
OWRD	3,804.48
Nichols Accounting Group	<u>375.00</u>
Total	\$4,456.31

TUNNEL BOND PAYMENT. Mr. Flynn said that he has done a rough calculation as to the amount of the bond payment and he has come up with a figure of around \$192,000. He said he will speak to Tyler Sweet when he gets back and get the exact amount so that a check can be cut.

SNOW COURSE PILOT. Mr. Flynn said that Clyde Esplin is willing to fly the snow course and that Bob Peterson is willing to let him use their plane. He said they will just be charging for gas. The matter was discussed.

RING GATE INSPECTION. Mr. Flynn said that the Bureau of Reclamation is scheduled to meet with him next week to go over their inspection report.

RING GATE CONCRETE REPAIR. Mr. Flynn said that the ring gate concrete repair work is done for the season. He said the pumper truck worked really well. He provided photographs which the Committee members reviewed.

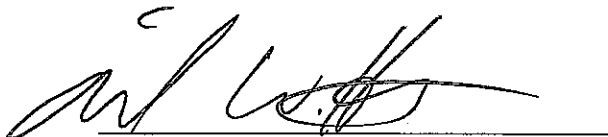
STAFFING AT OWYHEE DAM. Mr. Flynn said that the potential new dam tender was tried out, but decided it was not for him. He said that they are currently interviewing some other applicants.

HYDRO MANAGER APPOINTMENT. Mr. Flynn said that he is still waiting for a letter from USBR approving his appointment. A motion was made by Mr. Corn, seconded by Mr. Landa, and unanimously carried appointing Clancy Flynn as the manager of the hydro projects for the Owyhee Dam Power Plant and Tunnel #1 Power Plant.

HYDRO REPORT. Mr. Flynn said that the sump pump needs replaced at the Owyhee Dam Power Plant.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Secretary

APPROVED: _____

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE OWYHEE IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

November 16, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Owyhee Irrigation District was held on November 16, 2021, at the District office located at 422 Thunderegg Blvd., Nyssa, Oregon, at 10:02 a.m. Jerry Nagaki, President of the District presiding.

The following Directors were present:

Jerry Nagaki	Bruce Corn
Eric White	Frank Ausman

Also present were: Clancy Flynn, Manager, Jay Chamberlin, Outgoing Manager; Michael W. Horton, Attorney; and Linda Henderson, community member.

MEETING NOTICE. The meeting agenda showed that public notice of the meeting was given on November 10, 2021.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. President Jerry Nagaki led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES. Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors held on October 19, 2021, were reviewed by the Directors. A motion was made by Director White, seconded by Director Corn, and unanimously carried approving the minutes.

DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORT. Mr. Flynn handed out a financial report for the month. The Directors reviewed and discussed the financial report. Director Corn asked about the PPP2 loan forgiveness. Mr. Chamberlin said that it has been applied for, but he has not heard back yet on the forgiveness.

DISTRICT ACCOUNTS PAYABLE. Two lists of District accounts payable for the month were included in the Directors' packets. The lists were reviewed and discussed. The Directors asked questions on a couple of the accounts. A motion was made by Director Corn, seconded by Director Ausman, and unanimously carried approving payment of the accounts payable.

MITCHELL BUTTE POWER PROJECT:

Financial Report. A financial report for the Mitchell Butte Power Project was included in the Directors' packets. The Directors reviewed the report. Mr. Flynn said that there are no planned extraordinary expenses other than the trash rack. Mr. Chamberlin said that it might be spring before the trash rack work gets done.

Accounts Payable. The agenda listed the accounts payable for the Mitchell Butte Power Project. A motion was made by Director White, seconded by Director Ausman, and unanimously carried approving payment of the following accounts payable:

Tekfinity	\$42.95
OWRD	1,596.00
AT&T	90.62
Nichols Accounting	<u>125.00</u>
 TOTAL	 \$1,854.57

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE DELINQUENCY REPORT. Mr. Flynn handed out a report on delinquent receivable accounts. He said most of the accounts are over 120 days old. He said that two accounts make up a large part of the amount due. He said staff is checking on lien status. Mr. Chamberlin said that Mrs. Kurtz never paid the amounts she promised to pay. Mr. Flynn said that he will have staff take action on those accounts needing action.

ESPLIN FEEDLOT. Mr. Flynn provided an update on the Esplin feedlot leaking pipe. He said the cost for the District to pipe would be \$28,000. Mr. Chamberlin provided a map of the pipeline's location which the Directors reviewed. Mr. Flynn said that the \$28,000 cost is just for the pipe and not the labor costs in laying the pipe. Director Ausman asked about going to an open ditch in part of the area. The matter was discussed by the Directors and after discussion, it was determined that Director Ausman will go with Mr. Flynn to meet with the landowner.

BLM FIRE ISSUE. Mr. Flynn updated the Directors on the conversations and correspondence he has had with BLM on their demand for payment for fire suppression costs. He said he sent in a request for a reduced amount and that they sent him back a letter asking for more information. He said he then sent in an explanation accompanied by a check for a reduced amount in the amount of \$1,800. He said that after he mailed the check out, he got a call from Senator Findley who used to work for BLM Senator Findley said that he will be contacting the BLM's representative to the state and the whole thing is absurd.

DEAD OX #3 PUMP. Mr. Flynn said that bids went out for repair work on the Dead Ox #3 pump for repair and rehabilitation. He said that Riverside Electric came in as the low bid and that the pump is now over there being rebuilt. The matter was discussed.

DIRECTOR VACANCIES. Mr. Horton explained the process in filling director vacancy positions should one become vacant. The Directors discussed the matter and how they might handle it should Director Nagaki resign.

GEM 2 POWER COSTS. Mr. Horton said he reviewed the old Joint Committee minutes and the contract with the Bureau of Reclamation with regard to South Board's request to have the power costs for the Gem 2 Pumping Plant for the year 2021 split according to the contract percentages. The matter was discussed. After discussion, a motion was made by Director White, seconded by Director Ausman, and unanimously carried that OID pay their 60% of the power costs for the Gem 2 Pumping Plant at the lower USBR Wholesale Power Rate.

PRELIMINARY 2022 BUDGET. Mr. Flynn handed out a draft preliminary budget for 2022. He explained that this is a very rough draft at this point. He said he is still looking at health insurance options. The Board members explained to him their interest in getting a fuel storage

system. Mr. Flynn said he will look into the matter and potential grant opportunities. Potential equipment purchases were discussed.

OFFICE STAFFING. Mr. Flynn said that a new office staff person is being hired and will be coming on soon. Staffing at the office was discussed.

VACCINE MANDATE. Mr. Flynn said that the State of Oregon may be requiring all District employees to get vaccinated by mandate. The matter was discussed.

KINGMAN LATERAL. Mr. Flynn said that the liner in the Kingman Lateral is pretty tore up. He said that staff have started removing brush. He explained the planned work in order to complete the repairs. He said that he plans on having the walls done this year and if there is time, the floor will be done. Director Corn said that now is the time to be seeking grant money.

RING GATE REPAIRS. Mr. Flynn updated the Board on the ring gate repairs being done.

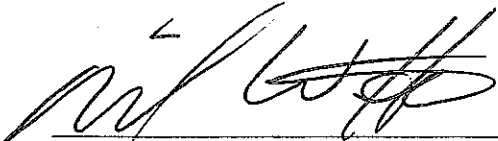
CHANNEL CLEANING. Mr. Flynn said that the channel cleaning is going well.

PETE NICHOLS PASSING. Director Corn explained that Pete Nichols, CPA, recently passed away. He said he played a very important role with regard to the hydro projects. It was the Board's consensus to do a \$25.00 memorial donation and card. Mr. Flynn said that he will get the card and donation sent out.

WATER CARDS. Director White asked about simplifying the water cards to go from acre feet to inches. The matter was discussed, along with the current wet weather.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael W. Horton, General Counsel

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