

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

May 22, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Owyhee Irrigation District was held on May 22, 2018, at the offices of Stunz, Fonda, Kiyuna & Horton, LLP, at 106 Main Street, Nyssa, Oregon, at 7:45 p.m. Jerry Nagaki, President of the District, presiding.

The following Directors were present:

Bruce Corn	Frank Ausman
Eric White	Jerry Nagaki

Dan Tschida was absent for health reasons.

Also present were: Jay Chamberlin, Manager; Michael W. Horton, Attorney; Harvey Manser, Assistant Manager, and Larry Meyer Newspaper Reporter.

MEETING NOTICE. The meeting agenda showed that public notice as to the meeting was given on May 16, 2018.

MINUTES. Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors held on April 17, 2018, were mailed to the Directors prior to the meeting. A motion was made by Director White, seconded by Director Ausman, and unanimously carried approving the minutes as mailed. Mr. Horton read the minutes of the May 9 special meeting of the Board of Directors. A motion was made by Director White, seconded by Director Corn, and unanimously carried approving the minutes as read.

DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORT. Mr. Chamberlin handed out a monthly financial report for the District. The Directors reviewed the report.

MALHEUR SIPHON REPAIR. Using the USBR Reserves for the Malheur Siphon Project was discussed. Mr. Chamberlin said that staff are still working on the Oregon Business Loan Application. He said he hopes that the District will not have to use it. Director Ausman asked about the staffing and material costs above and beyond the contract on the Malheur Siphon. The matter was discussed. Mr. Chamberlin said that he met with the contractor on the project today. He then explained the District's portion of the repairs.

DISTRICT ACCOUNTS PAYABLE. Two lists of the District accounts payable for the month were included in the Directors' packets. The Directors reviewed the lists. A motion was made by Director Corn, seconded by Director White, 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. Director Corn pointed out that there is no income showing on the report.

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

Century Link	\$51.37
Verizon	29.88
Nichols Accounting Group	<u>120.00</u>
Total	\$201.25

MALHEUR SIPHON REPAIR (Continued). Mr. Chamberlin said that in his meeting with the contractor, a proposed time line was submitted. He said the contract was signed at the meeting and he is still waiting on bonding and insurance. He said he thinks the contractor will be good to work with. Mr. Horton explained that the contract being entered into with the contractor was the contract which the District put together and included in the bid packet. A motion was made by Director Corn, seconded by Director Ausman, and unanimously carried authorizing the District to enter into the contract and ratifying the action of Mr. Chamberlin signing the contract on behalf of the District.

FCA MODERNIZATION PLAN. Mr. Chamberlin said the FCA Group will be touring the District the end of May.

OREGON WATER RESOURCE DEPARTMENT WATER RIGHT TRANSFER TOUR. Mr. Chamberlin said that District staff will be meeting with OWRD staff tomorrow. He said they will then tour the District and the dam. He said that he may discuss House Bill 3111 mapping with the OWRD staff while they are here.

DISTRICT EQUIPMENT. Mr. Chamberlin said that the excavator has been ordered and is on its way.

AQUATIC CHEMICAL. Mr. Chamberlin said that a chemical application was started today. Mr. Manser explained that brown algae has started causing problems about three weeks ago. He explained the chemical application process. He said that so far the water is cold and that weed growth is slow.


DIRECTOR TSCHIDA. Mr. Chamberlin gave an update on Director Tschida's status.

WATER USAGE AND CROPS. The Directors and manager discussed water usage and crops.

HEMP AND MARIJUANA. Mr. Chamberlin said there are some patrons within the District who are exploring the possibility of growing hemp within the District. He said that USBR staff have been advised and told him to wait to get back to the water users until they report back to him. Marijuana production within the District boundaries were discussed. It was noted that project water is not allowed to be used for marijuana grows.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Michael W. Horton, General Counsel

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

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

May 22, 2018

A meeting of the Joint Committee of the Owyhee Project was held at the offices of Stunz, Fonda, Kiyuna & Horton, LLP, at 106 Main Street, Nyssa, Oregon, on May 22, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. Eric White, Chairman, presiding.

The following members of the Joint Committee were present:

Frank Ausman	Jerry Nagaki
Bruce Corn	Eric White

Also present were: Jay Chamberlin, Manager of the Hydro Projects; John Eells, South Board Manager; Harvey Manser, OID Assistant Manger; Michael W. Horton, Secretary; and Larry Meyer, Newspaper Reporter.

MEETING NOTICE. The meeting agenda showed that public notice of the meeting was given on May 16, 2018.

MINUTES. The minutes of the meeting of the Joint Committee held on April 17, 2018, were mailed to the Committee members prior to this meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Corn, seconded by Mr. Nagaki, and unanimously carried approving the minutes.

TUNNEL #1 POWER PROJECT.

Tunnel #1 Financial Report. Mr. Chamberlin handed out a financial report for the Tunnel #1 Power Project. The report was reviewed by the Committee members. Mr. Corn said that the rate looks like it is at 3.3 to 3.4 cents.

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. Corn, and unanimously carried approving payment of the accounts payable as follows:

Oregon Idaho Utilities	\$112.10
AT&T	40.13
Nationwide	348.00
Stunz, Fonda, Kiyuna & Horton	746.25
Riverside	5,979.08
Nichols Accounting	<u>340.00</u>
TOTAL	\$7,565.83

OWYHEE DAM POWER PROJECT.

Owyhee Dam Financial Report. Mr. Chamberlin handed out a financial report for the Owyhee Dam Power Project. The Committee members reviewed the report.

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. Nagaki, seconded by Mr. Corn, and unanimously carried approving payment of following accounts:

Oregon Idaho Utilities	\$305.45
AT&T	40.13
FERC	25.00
Mobility Concepts	28,750.00
Nichols Accounting	<u>340.00</u>
 TOTAL	 \$29,460.58

ELEVATOR AT DAM. Mr. Chamberlin said that the cable for the elevator at the Dam has been ordered. He said the repair is scheduled for June 11.

RADIO REPEATER AT TUNNEL CANYON. Mr. Chamberlin said they are still fighting with communications on the automation at Tunnel Canyon. He said that some antennas have been swapped out. He explained that Tunnel Canyon is down in such a hole that it makes it difficult. He said they currently have it working. It's just not working real well. He said that the project is probably going to have to invest in the communications for Tunnel Canyon some time down the road.

LOAD TEST ON TUNNEL BATTERY BANK. Mr. Chamberlin said a load test on the battery bank at the Tunnel was done. He said that another battery failed the test. He said the current system can run pumps for four days. He explained that after doing more investigation, the battery bank is not just a backup to the backup, but actually also powers some of the DC controls for the generator. He said he will get another report to the Committee after more testing is done.

DUNAWAY PUMPING PLANT. Mr. Chamberlin said that the Dunaway Pumping Plant was brought online last week. He said there have been calls from people on Arcadia saying the drains are awfully full. He said currently the pumps are not being manned at Dunaway since the water level in the Snake River is so high that moss is not a problem.

BOR MUSSEL TESTING. Mr. Chamberlin said that test strips are being put on the buoy line by BOR in the very near future. He said that these will determine if there are any mussels in that area of the reservoir. He explained the problems that mussels can cause. Chairman White asked what it would take to put an inspection station on the way to the Dam. The matter was discussed.

BOR COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW. Mr. Chamberlin said that BOR will be doing an inspection on August 7 or 8 at the Dam. He said this is part of their comprehensive review. He said this happens about every six years.

ROAD TO DAM POWER PLANT. Mr. Chamberlin said that some road work will be done on the road to the Dam Power Plant in anticipation of the work on the elevator. He said the actual elevator work will require some OID staff assistance.

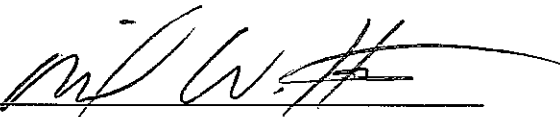
STORAGE REPORT. Mr. Chamberlin said that a storage report is included in the Committee member packets. Water usage throughout the project was discussed.

OWYHEE FIELD DAY. Mr. Chamberlin said that the Owyhee Field Day went well. He gave a report on the Field Day.

TRI-STATE MEETING. Mr. Eells gave a report on the Tri-State meeting which he recently attended.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Secretary

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_