

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

July 16, 2019

A regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Owyhee Irrigation District was held on July 16, 2019, at the offices of Stunz, Fonda, Kiyuna & Horton, LLP, at 106 Main Street, Nyssa, Oregon, at 7:40 p.m. Jerry Nagaki, President of the District, presiding.

The following Directors were present:

Bruce Corn	Frank Ausman
Dan Tschida	Eric White
Jerry Nagaki	Brett Nielsen

Also present were: Jay Chamberlin, Manager; Michael W. Horton, Attorney; and Linda Henderson and Darla Sebasto, District Patrons.

MEETING NOTICE. The meeting agenda showed that public notice as to the meeting was given on July 11, 2019.

MINUTES. Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors held on June 18, 2019, were mailed to the Directors prior to the meeting. A motion was made by Director Ausman, seconded by Director Tschida, and unanimously carried approving the minutes as mailed.

DISTRICT WEBSITE. Director White asked if the notices on the District website could be dated.

GOPHER FUND. Mr. Chamberlin said there was a big run on the gopher fund. He said the account has been all used. Director Ausman suggested doing some type of raffle for one big prize after the account has been depleted each year. The matter was discussed.

CHEMICAL TREATMENT. Mr. Chamberlin said that a chemical treatment was made yesterday and today and will be finished up tomorrow. He said that two skids of chemical may be saved for this year. Director Corn asked about moss buildup. Director Ausman said that the moss in his area is really bad. Chemical treatments were discussed. Mr. Chamberlin said that he will tell the chemical applicator to get on the algae quicker. Mr. Chamberlin said that the NPDES permit and the organic water users complicate matters.

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

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE. Two lists of the District accounts payable for the month were included in the Directors' packets. The Directors reviewed the lists and asked questions.

A motion was made by Director White, seconded by Director Corn, and unanimously carried approving payment of the accounts payable.

MITCHELL BUTTE POWER PROJECT.

Financial Report. The Mitchell Butte financial report was in the Directors' packets. The Directors reviewed the report. Mr. Chamberlin said that both units are running and running well.

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

Tekfinity	\$128.85
Nichols Accounting	<u>130.00</u>
Total	\$258.85

PUMPS. Mr. Chamberlin said the use of the pumps at Dunaway have been cut back and are not running much.

FCA. Mr. Chamberlin said that he received an update from FCA and they are working on the District Modernization Plan. He said he will ask them for a status report.

MALHEUR SIPHON. Mr. Chamberlin said that dress up and dirt work still need to be done on the Malheur Siphon. He said overall it has worked well.

SNIVELY SIPHON. Mr. Chamberlin said that the Snively Siphon looks stabilized. He said it is concerning and he is having staff keep their eyes on it. He said the water leakage changes as chemical treatment goes through the siphon. He said that it does not appear to be getting worse. He said it will need to be looked at when the system is de-watered.

KINGMAN LATERAL. Mr. Chamberlin said that the Kingman Lateral is working well since it has been repaired. Director White said that staff needs to build the lateral back up where it washed out.

SIPHON REPAIRS. The Directors discussed concrete siphons throughout the District that will need addressed.

BOOM TRUCK PURCHASE. Mr. Chamberlin updated the Board on a boom truck which was purchased and the planned use for the truck.

TRASH RACKS ON PUMPING PLANTS. Mr. Chamberlin said that they are looking at possibly putting automated trash racks at the pumping plants.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. W. Horton", written over a horizontal line.

Michael W. Horton, General Counsel

APPROVED: _____

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

July 16, 2019

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 July 16, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. Eric White, Chairman, presiding.

The following members of the Joint Committee were present:

Eric White	Frank Ausman
Bruce Corn	Rick Smith
Dan Tschida	Brett Nielsen

Also present were: Jay Chamberlin, Manager of the Hydro Projects; John Eells, South Board Manager; Jerry Nagaki, OID Alternate; Michael W. Horton, Secretary and Legal Counsel; Linda Henderson and Darla Sebasto, OID District Patrons.

MEETING NOTICE. The meeting agenda showed that public notice of the meeting was given on July 11, 2019.

MINUTES. The minutes of the meetings of the Joint Committee held on May 21, 28, 29, 30, and June 3, 2019, were mailed to the Committee members prior to this meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Nielsen, seconded by Mr. Corn, 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 which the Committee members reviewed. Mr. Chamberlin said the Dam Plant and Tunnel Plant are both running maxed out.

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. Nielsen, seconded by Mr. Corn, and unanimously carried approving payment of the accounts payable as follows:

AT&T	\$16.27
Oregon-Idaho Utilities	244.55
Stunz, Fonda, Kiyuna & Horton	2,741.50
Nichols Accounting	<u>350.00</u>
TOTAL	\$3,352.32

RATIFICATION OF PAYMENT OF JUNE HYDRO BILLS. Mr. Horton stated that Owyhee Irrigation District authorized payment of the accounts payable for the Tunnel #1 Power Project and the Owyhee Dam Power Project for the month of June during their June Board meeting. A motion was made by Director Corn, seconded by Director Ausman, and unanimously carried ratifying payment of the bills authorized paid by Owyhee Irrigation District at their June Board meeting.

OWYHEE DAM POWER PROJECT.

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

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. Tschida, seconded by Mr. Smith, and unanimously carried authorizing payment of the accounts payable as follows:

Oregon-Idaho Utilities	\$170.37
Nichols Accounting	<u>350.00</u>
TOTAL	\$520.37

NEW SECURITY MEASURES AT OWYHEE DAM. Mr. Chamberlin said that a new security automated gate has been installed at the Owyhee Dam Compound. He explained the operation and placement of the gate. The matter was discussed. Mr. Chamberlin said the fence around the compound has been tightened up. He said this has cut down on the foot traffic going through the Dam Compound.

ROAD TO OWYHEE DAM HYDRO. Mr. Chamberlin said that 88% of the road to the Owyhee Dam Hydro is still there. He said he is planning the work to begin the later part of August. He said he would like South Board to provide a truck to help.

ELEVATOR AT OWYHEE DAM. Mr. Chamberlin said that adjustments have been made to the cables and switches of the elevator at the dam. He said that plexi-glass has been installed to deflect water from getting on the switches. He said that all in all, the elevator has been running well.

DAMAGE TO OWYHEE DAMP COMPOUND FROM STORM EVENT. Mr. Chamberlin reported on a storm event at the Owyhee Dam Compound which occurred last month. He said that mud and rock slides resulted after 2½ inches of rain fell in 30 minutes. He also reported on the cleanup. He said some of the material will be used for the installation of the road to the dam hydro. He said that staff did very well when taking care of the storm victims. He said he would like to see some supplies stored at the compound in case it gets cut off again. He said that no insurance claims have been made on the damage to the compound.

RECENT WIND STORM. Mr. Chamberlin reported on a wind storm which occurred the other night. He said it knocked down the tri-plex at the dam compound.

STORAGE AND STREAM FLOWS. Mr. Chamberlin said that the stream flows on the Owyhee River are holding up well above the dam. He said they are currently at 450 cfs at Rome. He said that the pool at the reservoir is 656,917 acre feet.

RING GATE CONCRETE REPAIR. Mr. Chamberlin said that an inspection will be done on the ring gate concrete when the water gets down this fall.

EXCESS WATER. The Committee members discussed authorizing excess water for this irrigation season. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Corn, seconded by Mr. Nielsen, and unanimously carried that excess water be allowed for this irrigation season.

HEMP. The Directors discussed hemp being grown throughout the project.

PALISADES SWITCH YARD. Mr. Horton said that he wrote a letter to Reclamation from Owyhee Irrigation District asking them to postpone the planned repairs to the Palisades Switch Yard to after the irrigation season in 2020. The matter was discussed.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Secretary

APPROVED: _____