

Monday, October 25, 2021, at 10:00 A.M.
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

These are the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Directors of the United Irrigation District, held in the Glenwood Office on October 25th, 2021, commencing at 10:00 A.M

Present: Duane Nelson – Chairman
Daniel Hunsperger – Vice-Chairman
Jim Woolf – Board Member
Craig B. Smith – Board Member
Nicholas Barfuss – Board Member
Fred Rice – District Manager
Viera Ducky – Office Manager

Discussion and Acceptance of September 20, 2021, Regular Meeting Minutes

Daniel Hunsperger MOVED to accept the September 20, 2021 Minutes with amendments; SECONDED by Craig B. Smith. ...CARRIED

Discussion and Acceptance of the September 2021 Payroll

Duane Nelson MOVED to accept the September 2021 Payroll; SECONDED by Nicholas Barfuss. ...CARRIED

Discussion and Acceptance of October 25, 2021 Accounts Payable

Nicholas Barfuss MOVED to accept the October 25, 2021 Accounts Payable; SECONDED by Duane Nelson. ...CARRIED

Discussion and Acceptance of the Financial Statement to October 25, 2021

Craig B. Smith MOVED to accept October 25, 2021, Financial Statement; SECONDED by Jim Woolf. ...CARRIED

IRP # 2340 Lateral F7

Work on the project is in full progress, the crew is doing very well and we still have nice weather for work. One road crossing is completed. There is a high-speed internet line, however, when we did the first-call ticket before excavation on www.BeforeYouDigPartners.com no one would claim the line. Fred asked Gary Kutsch, who is a locator for this area, to mark the line and the crew didn't damage it. We will work on one more subline on that corner shortly.

Modernization project Lateral D1

While we were working on the pipeline, Fred contacted PRECON and asked when they can deliver the inlet structure so we can complete the project substantially and move on to the IRP project Lateral F7. There was some misunderstanding because they didn't even start on that structure. We couldn't finish it so we moved on to working on Lateral F7. Now the structure is done and they are waiting when we are ready to finish Lateral D1.

2021 Irrigation Regulations Amendments review

One of the topics discussed during the last AIDA Board of Directors meeting was Proposed revision to the threshold for the non-irrigable area in clause 5(2) of the Irrigation General Regulations.

Current language: Acres that are classified as non-irrigable according to the land classification standards referred to in section 4 may be added to the assessment roll if those acres comprise no more than 15% of the acres on the assessment roll for (a) the individual parcel, or (b) the land irrigated by an individual irrigation unit.

Suggested revision: Change 15% to at least 20% but no more than 25%; increase to 25%.

The Board discussed the amendment and the UID doesn't want to support the change and wants to keep the clause the same. The feedback will be sent to the AIDA.

Three Year Plan

In the last Three-Year Plan F Lateral project was a Proposed Year Two project. This year we are moving the project to a New Year One project. There are two options for how to engineer it, as an open ditch or as a pipeline. Fred was asking the Board for the opinion. He will discuss the project more with our engineer. One of the continuing projects is Emergency Drain on Lateral F: the area is flat with non-irrigated pasture and overflow can happen especially in wet spring or heavy rainfall. Cardston County wants to participate in this project as it will help with food control.

New screens for UID's rock screener

The crew was screening rock at Rice's pit for one week and the screen needs to be replaced. A hole is worn in a screen. There is no rush to get it but as Daniel pointed out with all prices rising we should get it as soon as possible because we need it anyway. We got the first quote for \$1,700 without shipping. Fred and Board members will try to look for other options as well.

Riverside Colony - fencing on Lateral F7

The Board suggested asking Riverside Colony for the price of one mile of fencing without posts and wire. If they are cheaper than \$3,000 we can agree with their offer. They want to make the fence by themselves because they were not satisfied with the fence made by the county last time.

Lynn Bishop and crop damage

Crop damage on Lateral D1 for about 2 acres in the amount of \$1,100 was paid to L&S Bishop Enterprises Inc.

Lynn Bishop – seepage leak on his property

Lynn pointed out his concerns about seepage where his grain bins are, near Glenwood's cemetery. Last year strong wind plugged ditch with canola and seepage appeared for about 150 meters, water was standing there in fall. This year about 100 meters of seepage appeared which was most likely caused by overtopping D Lateral in fall. Fred's suggestion was to haul clay to fix the canal. It would be around 60 to 70 loads of clay if we can find some within the district close to the area. As for now, we don't have much time for it as we need to finish two projects before the end of the year.

Larry Lybbert – crop damage on Lateral B8

Larry brought an invoice for crop damage on Lateral B8 in the amount of \$750 made this spring. The Board thinks the price is reasonable and agrees to pay the bill.

UID' investments

Joss Wealth Advisory Group contacted us regarding our RBC investments. It is about moving shares of a SunLife in the Corporate non registered account and reinvesting cash into Canoe Preferred Share Fund. The Board agrees with their proposed transaction.

Darren Tanner from ATB financial contacted us also regarding our investments. Our restricted fund's investment is gaining less interest than what we pay for their service. He recommended moving them into a different account. The Board agrees with it as well.

Byran Cahoon

Byran is working with the UID for many years but always as a seasonal worker, most winters he is laid off. Fred was asking the Board if we would consider hiring him full time because he wants to keep him working for the UID. After discussion, the Board decided to wait for the final decision because some other changes might happen with our crew soon.

Thoughts about UID's BBQ

All crew and Board members were very satisfied with this event. The food was delicious, not expensive and everyone enjoyed the evening.

2013 Dodge damaged

Jared Nelson, our Ditchrider hit the road crossing sign with the right-handed corner of the truck and damaged it. The bracket for the headlight is broken. The truck is still driveable. We contacted our insurance immediately and now we are waiting for a quote from the Carstar body shop in Cardston to submit more information. Our automobile insurance program has a \$1,000 deductible for all vehicles.

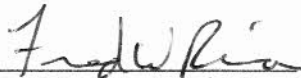
Letter to Larry Gibb

A letter was prepared for Larry Gibb to explain concerns from Dan French discussed during the last meeting. The Board agrees with the letter and it will be sent to Larry and Dan as well.

Daniel Hunsperger MOVED that the meeting be adjourned at 1:10 P.M.

Next Regular Meeting: Monday, November 29, 2021, at 10:00 A.M


Chairman – Duane Nelson


District Manager – Fred Rice