

Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at 10:00 A.M.
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AGENDA

These are the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Directors of the United Irrigation District, held in the Glenwood Office on Wednesday, March 19, 2014 commencing at 10:00 A.M.

Present: Duane Nelson - Chairman
Jim Woolf - Vice-Chairman
David Layton - Board Member
Robert Wynder - Board Member
Daniel Hunsperger - Board Member
Fred Rice - Manager
B. Craig Smith - Assistant Manager

Discussion and Acceptance of the February 24, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes

David Layton MOVED to accept the February 24, 2014 regular meeting minutes; SECONDED by Daniel Hunsperger. ...CARRIED

Discussion and Acceptance of February 2014 Payroll

Daniel Hunsperger MOVED to accept the January 2014 payroll, SECONDED by Jim Woolf. ...CARRIED

Reading, Discussion and Acceptance of March 19, 2014 Accounts Payable

Robert Wynder MOVED to accept March 19, 2014 Accounts Payable; SECONDED by Daniel Hunsperger. ...CARRIED

Reading, Discussion and Acceptance of March 19, 2014 Petty Cash

David Layton MOVED to accept March 19, 2014 Petty Cash; SECONDED by Robert Wynder. ...CARRIED

Reading and Discussion and Acceptance of Financial Report to March 18, 2014

Daniel Hunsperger MOVED to accept the March 18, 2014 Financial Report. SECONDED by Jim Woolf. ...CARRIED

Investments Options

Investment options were discussed by the Board. Consensus is to have all investments at one location. The Board is thinking the investments should be moved to the ATB. More detail and assessment and decisions will be done in the April Board Meeting.

Folsom Dairy Expansion Meeting February 28, 2014

Fred and Duane visited with Folsoms and NRCB at the dairy on February 28. NRCB can only make a decision on manure issues and continue to say they cannot mandate runoff water issues. Fred asked Folsoms if they would be willing to have an 18" pipe across the canal to remove any possible runoff and they were agreeable. NRCB did not like this proposal feeling the risk of leakage and potential contamination of the canal water was too great. They indicated they would make some alternate suggestions but none have been forthcoming at this point in time. Several suggestions were made by Board members including - sending a letter to Alberta Environment expressing UID concern; sampling and testing the water above and below the site to have objective data; and restricting water to the confined feeding operation dugout until UID concerns are addressed. Jim Woolf wants to talk to Jim Folsom and will do so before the next Board Meeting. A decision was made to decline invitations to clean the Folsom manure lagoon when problems arise and recommend that they engage local private operators.

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Standoff Colony Application to Transfer Irrigation Acres to the McNeil Land

No application has been received yet.

Standoff Colony Application for a Rural Water Agreement for a Proposed Feedlot

No formal application has been received yet.

Annual Meeting Today/Water Licence Transfer Public Meeting/Plebiscite April 2

The annual meeting is today at 1:00 P.M. The public meeting will be held immediately following the annual meeting at 2:15 P.M. Polling stations will be held at the UID office and at the Hill Spring Community Hall April 2, 2014 being open from 10:00 A.M. until 8:00 P.M. Following the Public Meeting the Board needs to make a motion to have a resolution to hold a plebiscite.

Nominations for Director

Robert Wynder's term expires today. Nominations are open until 4:00 P.M.

AIPA Board Meeting

The next Board meeting is set for March 31, 2014 at Vauxhall. Duane will represent the Board with Fred at the meeting.

Sandy Lybbert Request for Drain Water from Proposed Spray Park

Sandy Lybbert has requested that the UID allow water to drain from the spray park into the drain ditch that runs west of the UID yard. The Board is okay with this request. Fred would like a drain pipe from the park be installed to run into the drain ditch.

Discussion on Changing Amortization Rates

The auditor is agreeable to have the amortization rates reduced for 2014 audit. The suggested rate changes include decreasing the rate on trucks to 15% and on power equipment to 10% and leaving the other categories unchanged. The auditor considers this reasonable because of the number of hours the equipment is used each year.

AIPA Group Benefit Plan Changes

Craig attended a meeting on March 7, 2014 where the AIPA Group decided to change the plan administration to an Administration Services Only (ASO). This will require initiating a reserve fund by the irrigation districts involved. The UID will be required to contribute \$1,600 to the initial fund. David Layton MOVED to pay the initial \$1,600 as the UID share to establish the ASO reserve fund; SECONDED by Daniel Hunsperger. ...CARRIED

Fred's Agenda

1. Village of Glenwood Request to Use a Hi-Hoe for Tree Removal

After discussion it was decided that there is too much risk of tree roots being entangled with utility lines and the UID does not want to put itself in a situation that could create problems.

2. Changing Terminable Acres to Permanent Acres

With the time constraints this was tabled until the April Board Meeting

3. Hengerer Farms Ltd. Water Back Up

Joachim contacted Fred about a water build up on the Thompson colony land where the D4 pipeline has been constructed. Fred will take some shots to determine if there is something that can be done to reduce the problem or determine if the UID has any responsibility.

4. Purchase of a New Truck

Fred noticed a sale of cancelled fleet trucks at Bridge City that may offer a good purchasing opportunity. The Board agreed that this should be investigated and considered.

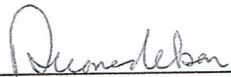
5. Robert Wynder presented a request from the Ag Society to provide water to 15 - 20 calves from the old railway track right of way. The Board agreed this would be okay under the Other Purposes part of the licence amendment.

6. Pressure Surcharges

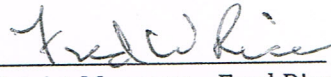
Surcharge rates need to be established for some of the pipelines that have not had owner initial capital charge contributions. This will be discussed more in future board meetings for implementation in 2015.

Next meeting: April 14, 2014 at 10:00 A.M.

David Layton MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 12:15 P.M. SECONDED by Daniel Hunsperger



Chairman - Duane Nelson



District Manager - Fred Rice