

Monday, November 20, 2017 at 9:30 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 November 20, 2017, commencing at 9:30 A.M.

Present: Duane Nelson – Chairman
Jim Woolf – Board Member
Craig B. Smith – Board Member
Fred Rice – Manager
Viera Ducky – Assistant Manager
Brandon Gibb – Board Member
Daniel Hunsperger – Vice-Chairman – Absent

Discussion and Acceptance of the October 23, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

Jim Woolf MOVED to accept the November 20, 2017 minutes; SECONDED by Brandon Gibb.
...CARRIED

Discussion and Acceptance of the October 2017 Payroll

Duane Nelson MOVED to accept the October 2017 Payroll; SECONDED by Brandon Gibb.
...CARRIED

Discussion and Acceptance of November 20, 2017 Accounts Payable

Brandon Gibb MOVED to accept November 20, 2017 Accounts Payable; SECONDED by Duane Nelson.
...CARRIED

Discussion and Acceptance of the Financial Statement to November 20, 2017

Jim Woolf MOVED to accept November 20, 2017 Financial Statement; SECONDED by Duane Nelson.
... CARRIED

Irrigation Rehabilitation Program Inter-District Allocation Formula

The Letter from Irrigation Secretariat informed us about decision regarding Inter-District Allocation Formula. Irrigation Council agreed to continue allocating the IRP grants on the current formula.

IRP# 2331 Pictures from Leveling Pond Emergency Overflow & Drain Construction

Fred presented to the Board few pictures from the construction done this fall. Some of the pictures were taken by our crew and other were from the pipe vendor IPEX Inc. which were taken by a drone. Those were quite impressive.

IRP# 2331 Updates from Leveling Pond Emergency Overflow & Drain Construction

Fred updated the Board of Directors about work done on IRP#2331. Weather allowed us to finish planned work on the project for this year on November 15. Auto- Opening Gate should cost us around \$25,000 as planned in Cost Estimate for the project. With this type of gate we still need to control it in case there is a power disconnection. The other option is fully automated system, but this one is about \$80,000 which is too expensive. Even with this system it is not a 100% guarantee that it will work correctly. Brandon's suggestion is to keep it as simple as possible and install manual opening gate. In this case our Ditch Rider Steve needs to drive there each time and manage water flow in ditch better.

Chinner Wealth Management Group – update portfolio

Dennis Chinner, UID financial investment advisor from the Chinner Wealth Management Group offered to meet the Board to review our portfolio. The UID is going to invite Mr. Chinner to meeting in December. Viera will also contact Darren Tanner from ATB Securities Inc. and invite him to meeting in January to review our portfolio.

Annual Acre Agreement for Larry Gibb on Peterson's Land

Larry Gibb is planning to build a dugout on SW corner of SE 8-4-27-W4 as this is a condition from UID under Annual Acre Agreement, but he might not be able to finish it for next year's irrigation. Mr. Gibb is asking if the UID can install a turnout. The plan is to grow a cereal on this land and Larry is willing to rotate pivots to save irrigation water. The Board agree with the suggestion. The UID will also offer to Mr. Gibb to build a dugout as a custom work project.

Annual Rolling Three Year Plan

Fred presented Annual Rolling Three Year Plan to Board for approval. IRP# 2331 Leveling Pond Emergency Overflow & Drain as a continuing project will be finished next year. IRP# 2298 Lateral B8 is submitted as Year 1 project due to a significant cost increase for closed pipeline as advised by Jennifer Nitschelm from Irrigation Secretariat. We have one more Year 1 project which is IRP# 2340 Lateral F7. Lateral A1e and Lateral D1 will remain as Proposed Year Three Projects. Brandon Gibb MOVED to accept Three Year Plan, SECONDED by Craig Smith.

Christmas party

The party will be held in the Hill Spring Community Hall, Friday, November 24, 2017 at 7 P.M.

Letters of Support for Water Storage Proposal on Belly River

Letters of Support have been received from TID, RID and Magrath ID. Viera will contact Mountain View ID, Aetna ID and Leavitt ID as well.

Adding to Southern Alberta's Resilience to Climate Change

Letter with information about The Belly River Flood Mitigation and Storage benefits and cons were sent to Jim Bester, Cardston County Councilor. All letters of support were forwarded to him as well.

Oldman Watershed Council is asking for support

Christopher Gallanger, District Manager of TID gave us very useful advice why they support OWC. The Board of Directors decided to discuss this topic during next meeting again.

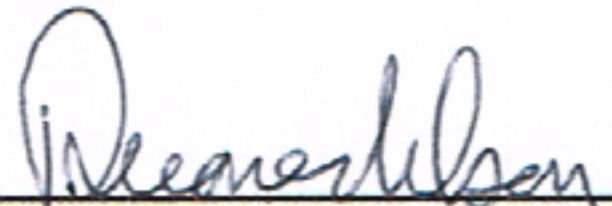
AIPA Water Conference 2017

The AIPA Conference will be held on November 20-22, 2017 at the Lethbridge Lodge Hotel.

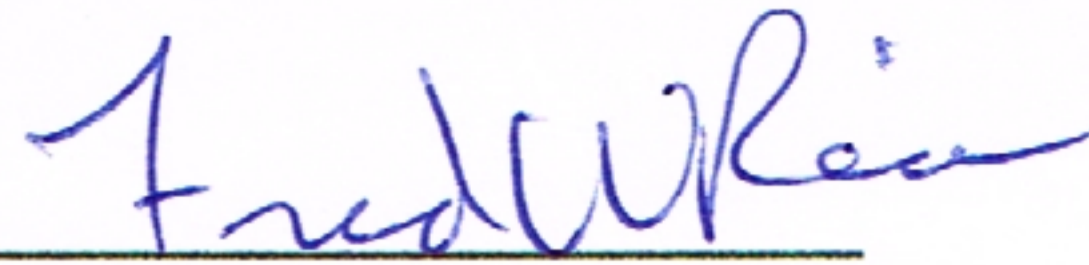
200CLC high-hoe Equipment

The 200 CLC machine needs a seal kit put in one of the lift cylinders. As Fred said, 6139 hours is on this machine and might be the time to replace it. The best option will be to trade it. Jim's advice was to buy new equipment from John Deer and we might get 48 months no interest loan. Brandon's cheaper suggestion is to lease an equipment. Fred will contact Brandt Tractor Ltd., Wajax, Case and Cat to gather more information.

Brandon Gibb MOVED that the meeting be adjourned at 12:15 A.M.
Next Meeting: Monday, December 18, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.



Chairman - Duane Nelson



District Manager - Fred Rice