

**Monday, January 20, 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 Monday, January 20, 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 December 16, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes**

Daniel Hunsperger MOVED to accept the December 16, 2013 regular meeting minutes; SECONDED by Jim Woolf. ...CARRIED

**Discussion and Acceptance of December 2013 Payroll**

David Layton MOVED to accept the December 2013 payroll, SECONDED by Daniel Hunsperger. ...CARRIED

**Reading, Discussion and Acceptance of January 20, 2014 Accounts Payable**

Robert Wynder MOVED to accept January 20, 2014 Accounts Payable; SECONDED by David Layton. ...CARRIED

**Reading and Discussion and Acceptance of Financial Report to January 17, 2014**

Jim Woolf recommended that the District contact Brandon Smith to determine if he has the ability to assist with the year end bookkeeping entries in preparation for the audit. Robert expressed concern that prices may be increasing beyond what is acceptable with the present arrangement. There was discussion around the year-end financial report.

Daniel Hunsperger MOVED to accept the financial report; SECONDED by Robert Wynder.

...CARRIED

**Review of the Mountain Irrigation Districts Meeting with Irrigation Council January 7, 2014**

Jim expressed concern about the amalgamation discussion indicating we need to remember that we represent the rate payers first and we need to do what is best for them. Questions arising from the meeting included possibility of increased rates, is there really any cost savings except the audits. Dave does not feel that amalgamation is the correct course of action but that strategic alliances are the important things to investigate including more custom work within the Districts by the UID for long term viability. The Board nominated Jim Woolf and David Layton to represent the Board on the steering committee. The first meeting will be held on January 29, 2014 at 1:00 P.M. in the UID Board Room.

**Alternate/Transfer Acre Resolutions**

Robert Wynder MOVED that the resolutions be adopted for the advertisement of the Alternate/Transfer Acres along with the closing date of March 31, 2014 for applications. Daniel Hunsperger SECONDED the motion. ...CARRIED

**United Irrigation District 2014 By-Laws**

**a. By-Law No. 1-2014 – Remuneration**

The By-Law was read the First Time.  
Daniel Hunsperger MOVED to read the second time. Robert Wynder SECONDED.  
...CARRIED  
Read Second Time.  
David Layton MOVED to read the third time. Jim Woolf SECONDED. ...CARRIED  
Read the Third Time. ...PASSED.

**b. By-Law No. 2-2014 – Rates**

The By-Law was read the First Time. Jim asked if we should consider lowering the rates back to \$9 per irrigated acre. After some discussion it was decided to go with the by-law as drafted at \$11 per acre.  
David Layton MOVED to read the second time. Robert Wynder SECONDED.  
...CARRIED  
Read the Second Time.  
Daniel Hunsperger MOVED to read the third time. Jim Woolf SECONDED. ...CARRIED  
Read the Third Time. ... PASSED.

**c. By-Law No. 3-2014 – Water Conveyance Fees – to holders of Water Licence**

The By-Law was read the First Time.  
David Layton MOVED to read the second time. Jim Woolf SECONDED.  
...CARRIED  
Read the Second Time.  
Duane Nelson MOVED to read the third time. Robert Wynder SECONDED.  
...CARRIED  
Read the Third Time. ... PASSED.

**d. By-Law No. 4-2014 – Household Purposes Agreements**

The By-Law was read the First Time.  
David Layton MOVED to read the second time. Robert Wynder SECONDED.  
...CARRIED  
Read Second Time.  
Duane Nelson MOVED to read the third time. Jim Woolf SECONDED. ...CARRIED  
Read the Third Time. ...PASSED.

**e. By-Law No. 5-2014 – Water Conveyance Fee to Users Without a Water Licence and Rural Water Use Fee Bylaw**

The By-Law was read the First Time.  
David Layton MOVED to read the second time. Jim Woolf SECONDED.  
...CARRIED  
Read the Second Time.  
Jim Woolf MOVED to read the third time. Duane Nelson SECONDED. ...CARRIED  
Read the Third Time. ...PASSED.

### **Plebiscite to Apply for Transfer of Water Licence**

Jim Woolf MOVED that the date for the Public Meeting be set for March 19, 2014 at 2:15 P.M. following the Annual Meeting and that the date for the Plebiscite be set for April 2, 2014 along with the election for Board Member. SECONDED by Daniel Hunsperger. ...CARRIED

### **By-Law No. 6-2014 – Date of Plebiscite to Apply for the Transfer of an Allocation of the United Irrigation District Water Licence**

The By-Law was read the First Time.

Daniel Hunsperger MOVED to read the second time. Duane Nelson SECONDED. ...CARRIED

Read the Second Time.

Robert Wynder MOVED to read the third time. David Layton SECONDED. ...CARRIED

Read the Third Time. ...PASSED

It was noted that a Resolution to hold the Plebiscite will need to be formally made through a Board Motion following the Public Meeting.

### **Board Governance**

The Chairman, Duane Nelson reviewed some Board Member responsibilities as per the Board Governance from the Board Governance Guidebook including accepting majority vote on decisions and speaking as one voice outside the boardroom.

### **Board Business**

Duane raised some issues from the previous Board Meeting:

1. Continuing with the Christmas party or having a summer BBQ. – deferred to a later date
2. Buy-back of irrigation acres by the District – price being offered at present is \$1,000/assessed acre. This is lower than what the sale to SEA Water Co-op is offering per acre-foot. This will be on the public record for others to know about which may affect the willingness of rate payers in negotiating a buy-back price.
3. The Salary/Wage issue with employees. This was discussed at the end of the Board meeting and an agreement was reached.
4. Jim Woolf recommendation of increasing over-due rate penalties to 25%. After discussion it was decided to leave them at 16% per annum.

### **Rescind Irrigable Unit Requested by Byron/Roberta Smith**

Daniel Hunsperger MOVED to rescind the Irrigable Unit Resolution No. 121096249. SECONDED by Robert Wynder. ...CARRIED

### **Irrigation Essay Topic**

Suggestions: How irrigation affects food production; Value of an irrigation acre in the UID; Value of Irrigation – How does the urban population benefit from irrigation? The last suggestion was approved.

### **Jim Bester Discussion**

Jim Bester, the County Councilor for the UID area suggested that there may be some custom work for installing county culverts and asked if the UID would consider doing it. The Board agreed this would be a good idea if the price is right. Other issues raised by the Councilor were discussed.

### **NRCB Notice of Folsom Dairy Expansion Request**

The request includes a need to provide the NRCB with a listing of land location and address of all affected parties supplied with water for a 10 mile downstream area. There were concerns raised as to previous agreed upon conditions that were required but not met in previous applications by the Folsoms.

Contact will be made with the NRCB to clarify some of the issues and concerns. A berm needs to be installed by the UID to its standards and a culvert removed. The county should be contacted about past unmet conditions.

**Fred's Agenda:**

1. 200 CLC Bucket – Brandt advises that this is a one-of-a-kind bucket and it would cost more to construct than going with the Quick attach. It was suggested by the Board to try to sell the old bucket for \$5,000 - \$7,000 and see what the price will be for the new bucket the next board meeting.
2. Fred advised that the '99 Ford Service truck is being repaired.
3. Fred noted that the cost sharing formula is partly based on permanent irrigation acres and that it may be time to change some of the terminable acres to permanent acres. The Board agreed to proceed in this direction with affected rate payers. Fred also suggested that some alternate acres be transferred permanently.
4. The Board indicated that for 2014 the UID will close the office from December 24, 2014 to January 5, 2015. The closing date for payment of invoices will change to December 19, 2014.

**Next Meeting:** February 24, 2014 at 10:00 A.M.

Daniel Hunsperger MOVED to adjourn the meeting. SECONDED by Robert Wynder.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 P.M.

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Chairman – Duane Nelson

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District Manager – Fred Rice