

Monday, February 20, 2018 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 February 20, 2018, commencing at 10:00 A.M.

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

Discussion and Acceptance of the January 22, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes

Jim Woolf MOVED to accept the January 22, 2018 minutes; SECONDED by Brandon Gibb.

...CARRIED

Discussion and Acceptance of the January 2018 Payroll

Brandon Gibb MOVED to accept the January 2018 Payroll; SECONDED by Daniel Hunsperger.

...CARRIED

Discussion and Acceptance of February 20, 2018 Accounts Payable

Craig Smith MOVED to accept February 20, 2018 Accounts Payable; SECONDED by Brandon Gibb.

...CARRIED

Discussion and Acceptance of the Financial Statement to February 20, 2018

Daniel Hunsperger MOVED to accept February 20, 2018 Financial Statement; SECONDED by Craig Smith.

... CARRIED

Audit 2018 – Auditor's report

Our Auditor Hakon Skoien from Skoien Professional Corporation reviewed the audit with the Board of Directors. Mr. Skoien noted that it was a clean audit and books were done well. The statements were discussed and the differences between 2016 and 2017 were explained even these two years were very similar. As per the Opinion of the Auditor, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of United Irrigation District as at December 31, 2017 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (ASNFPPO).

Daniel Hunsperger MOVED to accept the audit as presented; SECONDED by Brandon Gibb.

...CARRIED

The UID's irrigation acres without storage

Jim Woolf's question from last meeting was answered. The UID has 13,025 acres without water storage, so the Flood Mitigation and Water Storage Reservoir along the Belly River is essential.

Meeting about Water Sharing in 2018

General meeting for all Irrigation Districts in Southern Tributaries and Blood Tribe Agricultural Project is planned on February 27, 2018 at 1:30 at the Readymade Hall. Fred Rice and some of the Board Directors will attend the meeting.

Duane Nelson is going to suggest a "Special consideration" for the UID as we cannot share with water which is already gone to Saskatchewan River. The UID is willing to sign the proposed Water Sharing agreement if we will get a Letter of support from SMRID. All Board members agreed. Letter will be sent to SMRID, RID and TID.

Request to remove Irrigable unit

Virginia Layton is requesting to remove Irrigable unit from her as she wants to sell one part from the unit.

Jim Woolf MOVED to remove Irrigable unit; SECONDED by Brandon Gibb. ... CARRIED

Budget 2018

Jim Woolf discussed the issue of amending budget during year if there will be an issue with unexpected repairs and deficit. Transferring funds from the Restricted Funds to cover a deficit was discussed as well.

Brandon Gibb MOVED to accept Budget 2018; SECONDED by Daniel Hunsperger. ...CARRIED

United Irrigation District 2018 By-Laws

a. By-Law No. 1-2018 – Remuneration

The By-Law was read the First Time by Jim Woolf. Brandon Gibb MOVED to read the second time. Duane Nelson SECONDED. ...CARRIED

Read Second Time by Daniel Hunsperger.

Duane Nelson MOVED to read the third time. Craig Smith SECONDED. ...CARRIED

Read the Third Time by Daniel Hunsperger. ...PASSED.

b. By-Law No. 2-2018 – Rates

The By-Law was read the First Time by Brandon Gibb.

Duane Nelson MOVED to read the second time. Jim Woolf SECONDED. ...CARRIED

Read the Second Time by Daniel Hunsperger.

Brandon Gibb MOVED to read the third time. Daniel Hunsperger SECONDED.

...CARRIED

Read the Third Time by Craig Smith.

... PASSED.

c. By-Law No. 3-2018 – Water Conveyance Fees – to holders of Water Licence

The By-Law was read the First Time by Duane Nelson. Craig Smith MOVED to read the second time. Jim Woolf SECONDED. ...CARRIED

Read the Second Time by Daniel Hunsperger.

Brandon Gibb MOVED to read the third time. Craig Smith SECONDED. ...CARRIED

Read the Third Time by Jim Woolf. ... PASSED.

Four in favor, one oppose.

d. By-Law No. 4-2018 – Household Purposes Agreements

The By-Law was read the First Time by Craig Smith.

Brandon Gibb MOVED to read the second time. Jim Woolf SECONDED. ...CARRIED

Read Second Time by Jim Woolf.

Duane Nelson MOVED to read the third time. Craig Smith SECONDED. ...CARRIED

Read the Third Time by Daniel Hunsperger. ...PASSED.

e. By-Law No. 5-2018 – Water Conveyance Fee to Users Without a Water Licence and Rural Water Use Fee Bylaw

The By-Law was read the First Time by Brandon Gibb.

Craig Smith MOVED to read the second time. Duane Nelson SECONDED. ...CARRIED

Read the Second Time by Jim Woolf.

Brandon Gibb MOVED to read the third time. Daniel Hunsperger SECONDED.

...CARRIED

Read the Third Time BY Daniel Hunsperger.

...PASSED.

Employee salaries for 2018

Brandon Gibb MOVED that salaried employees receive a 3% increase in salary to be taken either as increased income or as a UID contribution to their RRSP pension plan. He also moved that Jared Nelson's salary will be increased 1% and he will get 1 more week of paid vacation; SECONDED by Craig Smith.

Viera Ducky's summer vacation plan

Viera was asking the Board for permission to take three weeks' vacation sometimes in August and September as she is planning to visit her family back home in Europe. The Board agrees with it and dates needs to be set with Fred's approval.

Policy for vacation time

Duane Nelson MOVED that vacation time for full time employees will be set as prorated; SECONDED by Craig Smith. Four in favor, one oppose.

2018 Irrigation Technical Conference

2018 Irrigation Technical Conference will be held on Thursday March 1, 2018, 9:00 A.M. at the Heritage Inn in Taber. Fred will attend the conference together with our Ditchriders Steve Lybbert and Jared Nelson.

UID Annual General Meeting

AGM 2018 for UID will be held on March 21, 2018 at 1:00 P.M. at the Glenwood Community Hall

Riverside Colony – Annual Acre Agreement

RSC submitted another plan for the Annual Acre Agreement. The board said no to the pivot on NE 31-5-26-4 also NW 32-5-26-4. The reason is because most of the land didn't pass reclassification for the irrigation. Yes to the $\frac{3}{4}$ turn pivot on SE 31-5-26-4 that irrigates 65 acres or make it into an Annual Acre Agreement with the reclassified land for 108 acres. 50 acres of permanent acres will be removed and could be reused in another areas for Riverside Colony.

Quote for a scale for loader

The Board have decided that we are not going to purchase a scale for loader now, possibly in the future.

Easement for Hartleyville Regional Water line Route

Cardston County is asking for an easement close to Cochrane Lake and west of Hill Spring on our canal as they are planning to build a water line from Hill Spring to Hartley to provide access to potable water within the area. Easement has been signed.

John Deere 210G

Purchasing of new equipment John Deere 210G is in process and maintenance package 3000 hours up to 3 years is in original price.

Fred's agenda:

- Fred's cell phone is not functional anymore and the Board approved to buy a new one
- The UID has an opportunity for a tour to IPEX in Edmonton to see how pipes are made. Some of the Directors are interested and will plan the trip and they also agree with the trip for Fred and a crew.

Brandon Gibb MOVED that the meeting be adjourned at 1:35 P.M.

Next Meeting: Monday, March 21, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.


Chairman - Duane Nelson


District Manager - Fred Rice