MINUTES OF MEETING OF JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE OWYHEE PROJECT

April 20, 2021

A meeting of the Joint Committee of the Owyhee Project was held on April 20, 2021, at the District office located at 422 Thunderegg Blvd., Nyssa, Oregon, at 7:00 p.m. Eric White, Chairman of the Joint Committee presiding.

The following members of the Joint Committee were present:

Eric White	Frank Ausman
Bruce Corn	Dan Tschida
Brett Nielsen	Chris Landa

Also present were: Jay Chamberlin, Manager of the Hydro Projects; Michael W. Horton, Secretary and Legal Counsel; John Eells, South Board Manager; Jerry Nagaki, OID alternate; Ray Waldo, Insurance Agent of Record; Linda Henderson and Darla Sebasto, members of the public.

<u>MEETING NOTICE</u>. The meeting agenda showed that public notice of the meeting was given on April 15, 2021.

MINUTES. The minutes of the meetings of the Joint Committee held on March 16, 2021, and March 30, 2021, were reviewed by the Committee members. A motion was made by Mr. Nielsen, seconded by Mr. Landa, and unanimously carried approving the minutes.

TUNNEL #1 POWER PROJECT.

<u>Tunnel #1 Financial Report</u>. Mr. Chamberlin said that there is not a financial report as Idaho Power was late in getting their report out this month. He said that the Tunnel Power Plant is running good on only one hydraulic pump. He then reported on the starting up of the Dam Plant.

<u>Tunnel #1 Power Project Accounts Payable</u>. The Committee members reviewed the accounts payable listed on the agenda for the Tunnel #1 Power Project. A motion was made by Mr. Corn, seconded by Mr. Tschida, and unanimously carried approving payment of the accounts payable as follows:

Stunz, Fonda, Kiyuna, Horton	\$981.25
FERC	27.68
South Board	1,214.32
Dan Tschida	780.00
Frank Ausman	642.40
Jerry Nagaki	936.00
Bruce Corn	722.48
Eric White	680.64
Nichols Accounting Group	<u>750.00</u>
Total	\$6,734.77

OWYHEE DAM POWER PROJECT.

Owyhee Dam Financial Report. Mr. Chamberlin said that there is not a financial report for the Dam Power Plant for this month.

Owyhee Dam Accounts Payable. The Committee members reviewed the accounts payable listed on the agenda for the Owyhee Dam Power Project. A motion was made by Mr. Landa, seconded by Mr. Nielsen, and unanimously carried approving payment of the accounts payable as follows:

Oregon Idaho Utilities \$243.92 Nichols Accounting Group 750.00

Total \$993.92

INSURANCE REPORT. Ray Waldo said that the appraisals have been done by the insurance company. He said they did not charge to do the appraisals. According to the appraisals, the Dam Power Plant is valued at \$9,000,000 and the Tunnel Power Plant is valued at \$35,000,000. He then reported on the current insurance coverage. He said the transformers are covered, but the substations need to be specifically covered. He requested SDIS to cover those and will know in a few days if they are covered. He said the batteries and generators are covered. He said the values which are insured under the policies are pretty close to what everything is insured for except for the Tunnel Power Plant. He said that SDIS has agreed to stair-step the premiums in order to cover the Tunnel Power Plant and ease the burden on the Districts in order to pay for the coverage. The Committee members discussed the proposal and after discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Nielsen, seconded by Mr. Landa, and unanimously carried to increase the insurance to cover the increased value as proposed by Mr. Waldo. Ray Waldo left the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

JOHN D. DINGELL, JR., ACT. Mr. Chamberlin said that the John D. Dingell, Jr., Act provides for grants to districts for major rehabilitation and replacement. He said the Bureau of Reclamation wants a report from the districts on maintenance costs in order to provide those to Congress. He said that a report will be done.

<u>OPERATION OF HYDRO FACILITIES</u>. Mr. Chamberlin said that the hydro facilities are up and running, but that he does not expect to have a super productive year due to low water.

<u>WATER FORECAST</u>. Mr. Chamberlin said that this year is seriously ugly on inflows. He went through some reports comparing inflows this year as compared to other low water years. He said this could be a historic year on low inflows. The Committee members discussed the water allotment and determined not to change the allotment at this time.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>. There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE OWYHEE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

April 20, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Owyhee Irrigation District was held on April 20, 2021, at the District office located at 422 Thunderegg Blvd., Nyssa, Oregon, at 8:05 p.m. Jerry Nagaki, President of the District presiding.

The following Directors were present:

Bruce Corn

Jerry Nagaki

Eric White

Dan Tschida

Frank Ausman

Also present were: Jay Chamberlin, Manager; Michael W. Horton, Attorney; and Darla Sebasto and Linda Henderson, members of the public.

<u>MEETING NOTICE</u>. The meeting agenda showed that public notice of the meeting was given on April 15, 2021.

MINUTES. Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors held on March 16, 2021, were mailed to the Directors prior to the meeting. A motion was made by Director Ausman, seconded by Director Tschida, and unanimously carried approving the minutes.

<u>DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORT.</u> The Directors reviewed and discussed the financial report for the month.

<u>WATER SEASON STARTUP</u>. Mr. Chamberlin reported on the water startup and the issues which arose in bringing water into the system. The Directors discussed how the startup went. Mr. Chamberlin said that it is getting hard to find employees. He said an extra backhoe was rented to bring water in and that it helped a lot.

<u>DISTRICT ACCOUNTS PAYABLE</u>. Two lists of District accounts payable for the month were included in the Directors' packets. The lists were reviewed and discussed. A motion was made by Director White, seconded by Director Corn, and unanimously carried approving payment of the accounts payable.

MITCHELL BUTTE POWER PROJECT:

<u>Financial Report</u>. A financial report for the Mitchell Butte Power Project was included in the Directors' packets. The Directors reviewed and discussed the report.

Accounts Payable. The agenda listed the accounts payable for the Mitchell Butte Power Project. A motion was made by Director Tschida, seconded by Director Ausman, and unanimously carried approving payment of the following accounts payable:

Tekfinity	\$42.95
AT&T	53.43
Nichols Accounting	/ 250.00
TOTAL	\$346.38

<u>Power Plant Operations</u>. Mr. Chamberlin said that staff never did get to the trash rack. He said that the plant is running and the crew will get to the trash rack when things slow down.

<u>CANAL AUTOMATION</u>. Mr. Chamberlin reported on two new automated sites which were recently installed. The Directors discussed automating check structures to help during low water.

OLD OWYHEE DITCH BREAK. Mr. Chamberlin reported on helping Old Owyhee with a ditch break. He said that the contractor assisting Old Owyhee will use OID's gravel, source and then replace it.

<u>PUMPING PLANTS</u>. Mr. Chamberlin reported on problems which came up when the pumping plants were started. He said that if funds were available, the trash racks at the pumping plants could be automated. He explained the problems in staffing the pumping plants.

EXECUTIVE SESSION. Mr. Chamberlin said that an executive session is needed to discuss real property negotiation and District management. Mr. Horton said that the Board will enter into executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(e) and (a). The Board entered executive session at 8:44 p.m. Linda Henderson and Darla Sebasto left the meeting.

MEETING RECONVENED. At 9:50 p.m., the Board returned from executive session.

<u>REAL ESTATE OFFER</u>. A motion was made by Director White, seconded by Director Ausman, and unanimously carried authorizing Mr. Chamberlin to make a counteroffer on the sale of the old office building for \$75,000 with closing costs to be split.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>. There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:54 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

Michael W. Horton, General Counsel

APPROVED: