

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

May 21, 2019

A regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Owyhee Irrigation District was held on May 21, 2019, at the offices of Stunz, Fonda, Kiyuna & Horton, LLP, at 106 Main Street, Nyssa, Oregon, at 7:50 p.m. Jerry Nagaki, President of the District, presiding.

The following Directors were present:

Bruce Corn	Frank Ausman
Dan Tschida	Eric White
Jerry Nagaki	

Also present were: Jay Chamberlin, Manager; Michael W. Horton, Attorney; Harvey Manser, Assistant Manager; and Darla Sebasto, District Patron.

MEETING NOTICE. The meeting agenda showed that public notice as to the meeting was given on May 16, 2019.

MINUTES. Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors held on April 16, 2019, were mailed to the Directors prior to the meeting. A motion was made by Director White, seconded by Director Corn, and unanimously carried approving the minutes as mailed.

DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORT. Mr. Chamberlin handed out financial reports for the months of March and April. The Directors reviewed the reports. Director White said that it looks like a lot more overtime will be paid this year. Mr. Chamberlin explained the reasons for the overtime on the water startup. Director White questioned the overtime period to date versus year to date entries on the April financial statement. Mr. Horton noted that the new building is not yet showing on the financial statement.

CHEMICAL TREATMENT. Mr. Chamberlin said that they have not treated for aquatic weeds yet. Mr. Manser said that with the weather they probably will not have one of the planned on treatments this year.

GOPHER TAIL PROGRAM. The Gopher Tail Program was discussed.

VISTA VIEW PIPELINE PROJECT. Mr. Chamberlin explained issues with the Vista View Pipeline Project.

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

NEW BUILDING. Mr. Chamberlin gave an update on the new building usage.

MITCHELL BUTTE POWER PROJECT.

Financial Report. A financial report for the Mitchell Butte Power Project was included in the Directors' packets. Mr. Chamberlin said that both units are running.

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

Tekfinity	85.90
Owyhee Irrigation	17,940.00
Nichols Accounting	<u>125.00</u>

Total \$18,150.90

MALHEUR SIPHON. Mr. Manser gave a report on work done and to be done on the Malheur Siphon. He said the weather has slowed down that work. Mr. Chamberlin reported on issues encountered during the filling of the siphon. He said that overall it went well.

EAST KINGMAN SIPHON. Mr. Chamberlin said the canal system ran for four or five days and then the Kingman Siphon had a blowout which took two days to repair. He said that then two days later, it blew out in another spot. He said that at the spot that blew out, there has never been a wet spot in that area. He said the siphon will need to be lined when the water is out. Director Corn said that the Board needs to plan on budgeting \$50,000 every year for repairs throughout the District.

KINGMAN LINER. Mr. Chamberlin said that where the Kingman liner is, that there was a sluff off of 40 by 60 feet. He said the China Wall also needs repaired. He then recommended going in with a second liner as a short-term fix and then HPD pipe as a long-term fix. The situation was discussed. Mr. Manser said that as soon as the water is shut off a contractor will come and look at potential liner installation.

OREGON WATER RESOURCE CONGRESS MEMBERSHIP QUESTION. Mr. Chamberlin said that he was asked by another district if OID would ask the Association about restricting membership for a particular entity. The consensus of the Board is such action is a matter for the Association to address and not OID.

EMPLOYEE TURNOVER. Mr. Chamberlin said that he was in the process of replacing three employees. He gave a report on staffing. He said he will be meeting with the ditch riders tomorrow. Potential topics to cover with the ditch riders were discussed.

RECLAMATION INFRASTRUCTURE INSPECTION. Mr. Chamberlin said that Reclamation staff are coming out to do an inspection on distribution structures, canals, budget, and pipelines of the District on June 12 and 13.

POTENTIAL SYSTEM-WIDE REPAIRS. Mr. Chamberlin said he is working on a report on system-wide repairs which have been made over the last number of years and repairs that are needed in the future. Director Tschida suggested having a video made over the length of the canal from a drone and then show the video to the public as a way to educate the public on the extent of the system.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Michael W. Horton, General Counsel

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**MINUTES OF MEETING OF JOINT COMMITTEE  
OF THE OWYHEE PROJECT**

May 21, 2019

A meeting of the Joint Committee of the Owyhee Project was held at the offices of Stunz, Fonda, Kiyuna & Horton, LLP, at 106 Main Street, Nyssa, Oregon, on May 21, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. Eric White, Chairman, presiding.

The following members of the Joint Committee were present:

Eric White	Frank Ausman
Bruce Corn	Rick Smith
Dan Tschida	

Also present were: Jay Chamberlin, Manager of the Hydro Projects; John Eells, South Board Manager; Harvey Manser, OID Assistant Manger; Michael W. Horton, Secretary and Legal Counsel; Jerry Nagaki, OID Alternate; Darla Sebasto, OID Patron; and Dillon Mitchell and Monty Culbertson, Old Owyhee Ditch.

MEETING NOTICE. The meeting agenda showed that public notice of the meeting was given on May 16, 2019.

MINUTES. The minutes of the meetings of the Joint Committee held on April 7 and April 16, 2019, were mailed to the Committee members prior to this meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Ausman, seconded by Mr. Tschida, and unanimously carried approving the minutes.

SOUTH BOARD REPRESENTATIVES TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE. John Eells said that the South Board of Control members who have been appointed to the Joint Committee are Rick Smith and Brett Nielsen with Dennis Turner being the alternate.

TUNNEL #1 POWER PROJECT.

Tunnel #1 Financial Report. Mr. Chamberlin handed out financial reports for the months of March and April which the Committee members reviewed.

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

AT&T	\$112.58
Oregon-Idaho Utilities	112.20
Nationwide/Blackaby Insurance	348.00

Stunz, Fonda, Kiyuna & Horton	977.50
Owyhee Irrigation	48,416.29
Nichols Accounting	<u>350.00</u>

TOTAL	\$50,316.57
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OWYHEE DAM POWER PROJECT.

Owyhee Dam Financial Report. Mr. Chamberlin handed out financial reports for the months of March and April which the Committee members reviewed.

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. Corn, seconded by Mr. Ausman, and unanimously carried approving payment of the following accounts:

AT&T	\$62.87
Oregon-Idaho Utilities	354.68
Owyhee Irrigation	31,148.97
Nichols Accounting	<u>350.00</u>

TOTAL	\$31,916.52
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RING GATE REPAIRS. Mr. Chamberlin said that it looks like they will not be spilling water through the ring gate this year and he is now looking at repairs. He said that Reclamation staff members are coming out for inspections and he will ask them for recommendations on the repairs. He explained the damage which he says is superficial. He said that the area needing repaired is currently 8 to 10 feet under water.

ROADWAY INTO DAM POWER PLANT. Mr. Chamberlin said that before repairs are started, he wants to make sure that water releases are not going to occur before work is started on the road. Water usage and rains were discussed. It was noted that the river gauge at Rome has come up to almost 3,000 cfs.

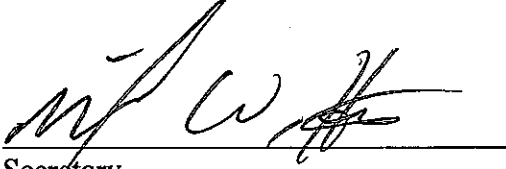
IDAHO POWER LETTER. Mr. Chamberlin read from a letter from Idaho Power on potential penalties for over generation per hour. Power scheduling and the letter were discussed.

WATERSHED FIELD DAY. Mr. Chamberlin reported on the Owyhee Watershed Field Day. He said that overall it went well.

TRI-STATE MEETING. John Eells reported on the recent Tri-State meeting he attended.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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Secretary

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