

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held by the Board of Directors Big Lost River Irrigation District, Butte and Custer Counties March 2nd, 2021 at 2:00 P.M.

Board Members Present: Chairman Byron Pehrson; Vice Chair Darrell Lee McDonald; Secretary-Treasurer Mark Roberts; Max Bingham; Alvin Wheeler

Employees: Lucas Yockey, Kristin Johnson

Guests: Mike Telford, Harvey Walker, Larry Quist, Jace Thacker, Steve Hadley, Craig Parkinson, Jason Stanger, Joel Anderson, Hannah Reynolds, Marvin Foster, Cathy Foster, Tom Darland, Gary Jensen, Phyllis Merrill,

The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman, Byron Pehrson at 1:50 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) A motion was made by Max Bingham; seconded by Darrell Lee McDonald, to approve the minutes of the February 2nd, 2021 regular board meeting minutes. Motion passed.
- 2) A motion was made by Mark Roberts; seconded by Alvin Wheeler, to approve the February 2021 check register/deposit detail. Motion passed.

Lucas Yockey proposed an amendment to the agenda moving line-item number 3 to item number 1, and Darrell Lee McDonald proposed to talk about line-item number 5 with item number 8. A motion was made by Max Bingham; seconded by Darrell Lee McDonald, to approve the amended agenda. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Vance Reynolds Permission to Cross Waterway- Lucas lead discussion on Vance Reynolds' request to install removable pivot bridges over the Eastside Canal. Motion was made by Darrell Lee McDonald; seconded by Alvin Wheeler, to approve request to cross waterway. Motion passed.
- 2) Reservoir- 66%, Inflow is 179, Release is 103, Gaining approximately 0.25% per day, Gates are shut.
- 3) Link Crawford NWS- Link gave a winter forecast via phone conference and in-office handouts. SNOTEL sites show about 60-75% of average for snow accumulation so far.
- 4) Marvin Foster Widening of Burnett Canal- Marvin requested that any construction that needs to be done in the Burnett canal that runs through his property be done on the eastside of the canal. He also requested to be notified when work was being done, so that he can remove his weir to avoid any damage to it. Discussion was held on when the work was to be expected, the nature of the work, and the section of the canal the work would be done. Mr. Foster's concerns/requests will be taken under advisement by the Board.
- 5) Max Bingham Clarification on Proposed By-Law- Max Bingham voiced that there has been confusion brought to his attention from patrons on whether or not the proposed by-law, that was discussed in the January 5th meeting (agenda item number 15), was adopted. There was a motion made and passed in that meeting to propose that by-law. However, after a by-law is proposed it cannot be voted on until the next monthly meeting. The proposed by-law was not added to the next agenda nor voted on, therefore was not adopted into practice.
- 6) Time Limits for Meeting Attendees Who Wish to Speak- A discussion was held on implementing a time limit for attendees of the meetings, and how long each can speak. In the discussion it was clarified that the time limit would only be for attendees that were not on the agenda. No motion was made.

- 7) Arco Diversion Lateral Pipeline Association Contract- Contract will be resubmitted to our attorney for rewriting purposes. Revised contract will be reviewed by the BLRID Board and forwarded to Mike Telford, after which a special meeting will be called to go over said contract with Mr. Telford.
- 8) Canal Status- All canals are snowed in.
- 9) To-Do List- Ongoing
- 10) Executive Session – Statute 74-206 (1)(d) To consider records exempt from disclosure: 2:30pm roll call into executive session; Alvin Wheeler, Mark Roberts, Max Bingham, Byron Pehrson, Darrell Lee McDonald, Lucas Yockey, and Mike Telford. Mike Telford was then excused before executive session started because it was decided that his presence was not needed.

3:10pm roll call out of Executive Session: Alvin Wheeler, Mark Roberts, Max Bingham, Byron Pehrson, Darrell Lee McDonald, and Lucas Yockey.

Adjournment: There being no further business for consideration a motion was made to adjourn by Darrell Lee McDonald; seconded by Max Bingham. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m. Next Meeting: April 6th, 2021. Approved minutes can be downloaded from the website: www.blrid.com. All meetings are recorded.

ATTEST:

_____ Byron Pehrson, Chairman

_____ Mark Roberts, Secretary-Treasurer