

December 6, 2016

The Board of Directors for the Roza Irrigation District met and convened in regular session in the Board room at its office in Sunnyside, Washington on Tuesday, December 6, 2016. Present were President Ric Valicoff, Director Jim Willard, Director Will Jones, Director Jason Sheehan and District Manager Scott Revell, Engineering Manager Wayne Sonnichsen, Assessment Clerk/Assistant Secretary Kristel Espinoza, District Attorney Tom Cowan, Watermaster Clay Bohlke and Fleet Equipment Supervisor J. C. Soto. and Chad Stuart –U.S.B.R.-Yakima Field Office Manager, Director Dave Minick and Policy Director Ron Van Gundy joined the meeting via telephone conference.

The President called the meeting to order at 9:11 A.M. and requested the Board consider the consent agenda as presented:

- a. Minutes of November 9 & 10, 2016 Board meeting.
- b. Status of Investments Report- November 30, 2016.
- c. Treasurer's Report- November 30, 2016.
- d. Statement of Income and Expense Report, for the ten periods ending October 31, 2016.
- e. Comparative Balance Sheet Report, for the eight periods ending October 31, 2016.
- f. Authorize Claims.
- g. Declaration of surplus equipment.

It was moved by Mr. Willard, seconded by Mr. Sheehan and unanimously passed to approve the consent agenda.

Mr. Revell noted Chad Stuart with Bureau of Reclamation would like to give a presentation and had requested an item be added to the agenda.

Mr. Chad Stuart with Bureau of Reclamation presented an overview of the projects at the Yakima Field office and answered several questions.

Engineering Manager Wayne Sonnichsen reported to the Board on two separate requests for removal of their water entitlement and irrigation assessment. Mr. Sonnichsen also noted one addition of a parcel was also being requested. The City of Moxee sent a letter dated May 16, 2016 and formally requested to relinquish the water entitlement for its 0.5 acre assessed parcel. On October 10, 2016 Alan Sandlin sent a letter and formally asked to discontinue his 0.1 acres of water entitlement for parcel 221001-11003. Mr. Sonnichsen noted that on September 13, 2016, Brian Busey reached out to Roza staff regarding adding to the assessment roll, 12.8 acres of water rights to parcel 191416-32002. The land lies within the Roza boundaries along Pump 1 and was originally designed to deliver the water to the parcel in question. Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Sheehan, seconded by Mr. Willard and unanimously moved to approve removal of parcels 221001-11003 and 201331-31006 from the District assessment roll. Upon motion from Mr. Willard, seconded by Mr. Jones and unanimously moved to approve adding Yakima County parcel 191416-32002 to the District's assessment roll.

District Manager Revell reported on the outstanding miscellaneous billings. Following review, Mr. Willard made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jones and unanimously passed, that the billings for Timothy Houser, Marsha Dalan, Todd Hilmes, Zachary Lay, Jason Mayo, Gordon Radke, Ross Roberts, Kathey Whitehead, Genevieve Mata, John Reese, Henry Bosma and Bill Wingardner be added to the 2017 Assessment Roll.

District Manager Revell presented the proposed per acre assessment for 2017. Stating that the proposed assessment rate is a decrease of \$10.00/acre from 2016 but is an increase of \$33.00/acre from the 2015 assessment. Mr. Revell noted that Blocks 1 – 3 have no remaining construction obligation to the United States and will pay \$4.10 per acre less of the assessment increase. Following discussion, Mr. Jones moved, seconded by Mr. Willard and unanimously approved and set the 2017 assessment at \$176.00 per acre.

The President declared the Board to be in executive session for an estimated thirty minutes beginning at 10:05 A.M. pursuant to:

- a. Executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). Pending litigation- State v. Acquavella and Alliance for the Wild Rockies.
- b. Executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(2)(a)(iii). To evaluate legal risk of a proposed action.

The President returned the Board to regular session at 10:33 A.M.

The Board convened as the Board of Equalization. Mrs. Espinoza confirmed for the Board that notice of the equalization hearing was published in the Yakima Herald and the Tri-City Herald. No water users made presentations to the Board of Equalization. Following discussion, Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Willard and unanimously adopted Resolution # 3-2016 pursuant to RCW 87.03.255 to equalize the assessment roll.

The Board reconvened as the Board of Directors.

Engineering Manager Wayne Sonnichsen reported on the annual pump repair bids. Following discussion Mr. Sheehan moved seconded by Mr. Jones and unanimously approved the pump and motor maintenance work as described in the 2016 Pump and Motor Repair Memorandum.

District Manager Revell requested authority to retain a strategic advisor to assist with planning the financing options for the Kachess Drought Relief Pumping plant. Following discussion, Mr. Jones made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sheehan and unanimously passed to authorize the District Manager to hire a strategic advisor at an amount not to exceed \$25,000.

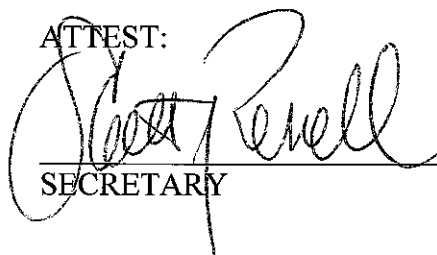
Watermaster Clay Bohlke presented and the Board reviewed the Water Operations report.

District Manager Revell presented, and the Board reviewed the District Manager's monthly report.

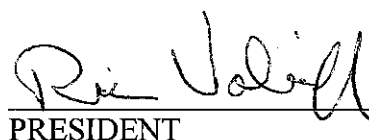
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No further business appearing and upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously passed, the Board did there upon adjourn to Glez Restaurant at 11:09 A.M. for lunch on Tuesday December 6, 2016.

ATTEST:



SECRETARY



PRESIDENT