

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

June 14, 2022

The Board of Directors for the Roza Irrigation District convened in regular session on Tuesday June 14, 2022. Present were President Ric Valicoff, Vice-President Jim Willard, Director Tanner Winckler, Director Jason Don and District Manager Scott Revell, Engineering Manager Wayne Sonnichsen, Watermaster Dave Rollinger, Assistant Watermaster Aaron Wiederspohn, Maintenance Superintendent Dave Clampitt, and Assessment Clerk/Assistant Secretary Kristel Espinoza.

Via telephone conference: District Attorney Brian Iller.

Audience members included: Nathan Draper Manager – Selah Moxee Irrigation District, Roza water user Matt Haak, Lori Brady- Manager Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District, Walt Larrick-Roza Fish Biologist and Chad Stuart Yakima Field Manager – United States Bureau of Reclamation.

The President called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M. and requested that the Board consider the consent agenda as presented:

- a. Minutes of May 10, 2022, Regular Board meeting.
- b. Minutes of May 17, 2022, Special Board meeting.
- c. Status of Investments Report – May 31, 2022.
- d. Treasurer's Report– May 31, 2022.
- e. Claims.

The following claims were approved for payment: Payroll numbers 29618 – 29620 in the amount of \$5,291.66. Voucher numbers 67144 – 67151, 67216 – 67227, 67244 - 67256 and 67271 – 67344 in the amount of \$421,309.75 and Electronic payments 04-22, 05-16, 05/22, 17-22, 22-14, 22-15, 18-22 in the amount of \$294,763.29

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

Chad Stuart, Yakima Field Manager – United States Bureau of Reclamation presented an informational overview to the Board regarding the subordination of power production at both Roza power plant in Terrace Heights and the Chandler power plant near Prosser. Mr. Stuart noted the power shaping agreement and how additional subordination of power production to increase spring flows during smolt out migration will affect the future viability of the power plants at Roza and Chandler. Mr. Stuart also discussed the \$1,400,000 in cost increases to Roza water users if the power plant is not viable and is decommissioned and power instead is purchased from Bonneville Power Administration.

Nathan Draper, Manager – Selah Moxee Irrigation District (SMID) discussed with the Board the water that has been freed up from idling land due to urban development, more efficient irrigation and reduced consumptive use. Mr. Draper noted the first round of auction leases is available to SMID landowners for use outside of SMID and involves 1,600-acre feet for lease. future rounds will allow non-SMID landowners to lease this water and involves 6,000-acre feet and Ecology has requested 1,000-acre feet be available for lease by the state to offset the impacts to emergency

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groundwater wells. Staff reviewed the issues associated with wheeling non-Roza water through the Roza system to individual landowners as described in the staff report.

District Manager Revell presented the fuel trailer purchase authorization to the Board. Staff has examined the purchase of fuel trailers/skid tanks as part of the contingency planning for potential threats to continuity of operations during unplanned events. Following discussion, Mr. Don made a motion, seconded by Mr. Willard, and unanimously approved to authorize the purchase of two fuel trailers not to exceed a combined total of \$36,000.

District Manager Revell explained the District's Manager 2022 wage update. Upon a motion by Mr. Willard, seconded by Mr. Don and unanimously approved Mr. Revell's annual salary by 3 percent effective June 19, 2022.

Watermaster Dave Rollinger presented, and the Board reviewed the Watermaster's monthly report.

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

Engineering Manager Sonnichsen presented, and the Board reviewed the Engineering Manager's monthly report.

The President declared the Board to be in executive session for an estimated twenty minutes beginning at 11:30 A.M. pursuant to:

President Ric Valicoff returned at 11:50 A.M. and noted the Board would be in executive session for approximately fifteen additional minutes.

President Ric Valicoff returned at 12:05 P.M. and noted the Board would be in executive session for approximately thirty additional minutes.

The President returned the Board to regular session at 12:30 P.M.

No further business appearing and upon motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the Board did there upon adjourn at 12:30 P.M. on Tuesday June 14, 2022.

ATTEST:

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY