

**Office of the Secretary Manager
Kittitas Reclamation District Board of Directors Meeting
October 6, 2020 Minutes**

The Board of Directors of the Kittitas Reclamation District (KRD) met in Regular Session on October 6, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Attending the meeting via conference call, were Division Three Director and Chairman Fred Schnebly, Division One Director and Vice Chairman Mark Hansen, Division Four Director Larry Bland, Division Five Director Brad Haberman, Division Two Director Sherry Swanson, Secretary Manager Urban Eberhart, Assistant Manager Kevin Eslinger, Treasurer Stacy Berg, GIS Specialist Roger Satnik and Legal Counsel Jeff Slothower.

The agenda was approved with the addition of an executive session for reasons consistent with RCW 42.30.110(1)(i):(i). The motion was made by Director Haberman and the second was made by Director Bland. The motion passed unanimously.

The minutes for the September 8, 2020 and September 24, 2020 Board Meetings were approved with a motion made by Director Bland, the second was made by Director Swanson. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Water Master Report: The five reservoirs are at 28% capacity. Storage is at 106.3% of average. There has been no measurable precipitation recorded in October. The irrigation deliveries will be shut off on October 15th.

Maintenance Report: The Temporary Fish Passage at Tucker Creek is being constructed. The erosion control work along the creek bank using trees and brush that have been cleared along the canal right-of-way are being placed on the road prism and in the creek bed.

Secretary Manager's Activity Report: The KRD continues to follow the Governor's Order for COVID. Director Haberman made a motion to retain the Emergency COVID status until the next board meeting. A second was made by Director Bland, the motion passed unanimously.

There were a series of virtual federal and state legislative meetings the week of September 22nd. The meetings allowed the KRD to help increase the exposure of the Yakima Basin Integrated Plan and KRD projects.

The Tri-State Irrigators Meeting met virtually on September 18th.

Mr. Eberhart co-presented to a University of Washington class on September 20th.

On September 28th, the Family Farm Alliance Meeting was held virtually.

Congresswoman Kim Schrier had a tour of the KRD canal near Robinson Canyon and in the Manastash area on October 9th.

The Public Interest Environmental Law Conference Presentation is scheduled for October 29th.

A study session is scheduled for October 13th for the Kittitas County Commissioners to discuss the possibility of forming a joint board between the KRD and Westside Irrigating Company. In the interim of a joint board being formed, the KRD and Westside Irrigating Company are in discussions to develop an agreement for KRD to help with maintenance on their canal. A cost reimbursement will be included in the agreement. Director Bland made a motion to authorize the KRD to enter into an agreement with legal counsel and manager approval. A second was made by Director Swanson, the motion passed unanimously.

The Jacobs Team is continuing to work on the Upper Yakima System Storage (UYSS) Phase II Analysis.

The initial draft for the KRD Water Wheeling project from HDR is complete.

There is a meeting scheduled this week to discuss the Water Supply Framing Process.

The Yakima Basin Focused Managed Aquifer Recharge Assessment is focusing on Reclamations Taneum Heart K Property. The KRD is applying for a grant through the Department of Ecology that would fund the costs of drilling monitoring wells and to calculate the amount of space available to store water in the ground.

Director Bland made a motion to approve the Government Affairs Services Agreement for Bill Clarke. A second was made by Director Swanson, the motion passed unanimously.

Project Updates: Director Haberman made a motion to approve the quote from L2 Systems for the North Branch Upper Bay and KRD Office Telemetry Panels in the

amount of \$14,690.00. A second was made by Director Bland, the motion passed unanimously.

There was a Notice to Proceed and Pre-Construction Meeting on October 2nd with Belsaas & Smith for the South Branch Phase II Robinson Siphon to MP 10.4 Piping Project. After analyzing the pipe options, it was determined that a single pipe which will be welded will provide a better joint and will be less likely to leak.

Treasurer's Report: The Directors' monthly payroll vouchers were presented for signatures. Summary Vouchers for the September 2020 expenses and payroll which included check numbers 44550-44638, direct deposit numbers 9901977 through 9901994 in the sum of \$172,839.05 were approved with a motion made by Director Haberman. The second was made by Director Bland, the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business: Legal Counsel Slothower reported that the 2020 Foreclosure List was reduced to two landowners. There was an extensive conversation regarding the two properties and the latitude provided to the KRD in the current RCW. The board directed the KRD personnel to attempt to make contact in person with the residents. The topic was tabled until the next board meeting.

New Business: There was no new business.

Other Business: The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 1:53 p.m. for 10 minutes per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i):(i) there was a motion made by Director Swanson and a second made by Director Haberman. The motion passed unanimously. The Board returned to Regular Session at 2:03 p.m. with a motion made by Director Hansen, and the second was made by Director Bland. The motion passed unanimously.

All business having been concluded the meeting was adjourned.

Mr. Schnebly KRD Board of Directors Chairman

Mr. Eberhart KRD Secretary Manager

