

CALL TO ORDER

At 7:00 PM, Chairman Foster called the September 11, 2018 Regular Board Meeting of the Moses Lake Irrigation and Rehabilitation District to order. The record shows that all Board of Directors were present except for Director Selmann. General Manager, Chris Overland was also present. Legal Counsel, Brian Iller attended via-telephone. The record indicates that this meeting was recorded. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited.

DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEM(S)

Chairman Foster called on the board members and the audience for discussion on any agenda items and nothing was brought forward.

DISCUSSION OF NON-AGENDA ITEM(S)

Chairman Foster called on the board members and the audience for discussion on any non-agenda items and nothing was brought forward.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chairman Foster called on the board members to approve the agenda. Director Teals made a motion to approve the agenda. Vice Chairman Bailey seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Foster called on the Board of Directors to approve the consent agenda. The consent agenda consisted of the meeting minutes from 08/14/18 Regular Board Meeting, the Bills/Checks (#16803-#16840) and Voucher #1000204 totaling \$75,509.04. Director Dexter made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Director Teals seconded the motion. Vice Chairman Bailey abstained from voting on any items related to Basin Property Management, Inc. The motion carried unanimously.

MLIRD STAFF REPORTS

General Manager, Chris Overland reported the following:

- On financials, expenses are at 56% of budget and assessment income for the month shows approximately \$850,000 was collected for the month of August.
- Lake elevation was at 1046.80 feet as of September 11, 2018 at the Hallmark Station.
- Rocky Coulee Wasteway flows ended on August 15th and so, year to date flow was at 105,758 acre-feet which is better than last year at approximately 75,000 acre-feet. The weather may have been a factor in needing more flows to keep the Potholes filled for irrigation purposes.
- Harvester operations have been less of a demand in 2018. This may have been caused in part, by weather and the thick smoke limiting the sun exposure and slowing the weed growth. During weekly water testing, MLIRD Staff determines areas where the harvesters are needed for a given week.
- Aquatic Treatments Phase One was completed June 25th-27th. Treatment for emergent weeds near the shoreline was completed September 6th-7th. With the remaining budgeted dollars for weed and algae treatments, algae treatments are being looked into for the

Parker Horn area. One algae sample was sent to Western WA University to be tested. The test showed levels greater than 10 ppb where waters for recreational use, levels should not exceed 6 ppb. This sample was taken from the North arm of the lake. General Manager, Chris Overland mentioned that the MLIRD office received a call from the Department of Health concerning an algae sample that a citizen had turned into a lab in King County. The DOH asked for permission to post signs at Connelly Park along with other strategic areas on the lake. Legal Counsel, Brian Iller asked that either the subject be discussed in Executive Session under the concern of the implications of giving permission to post the signs or suggested working with General Manager, Chris Overland on the appropriate language to respond. Legal Counsel, Brian Iller does not believe the DOH needs MLIRD's permission. The Board decided to have General Manager, Chris Overland and Legal Counsel, Brian Iller work together to respond to the DOH.

- General Manager, Chris Overland showed a model picture of what a 3,500 square foot building might look like at Connelly Park. Damien Hooper with Grant County Planning reported to General Manager, Chris Overland stating that it is conditionally, doable. The area is marked as a 'Rural Residential 1' zone and could require a code amendment or zoning change depending on what the Board wanted to do. General Manager, Chris Overland mentioned there may also be an archeological assessment required of the area. Discussion then took place and Chairman Foster said there needs to be an examination between the costs and prices per square foot if all the facilities were located at Connelly Park versus the facilities MLIRD is currently using and more discussion on building at Connelly Park.
- Permits for the upcoming dredging projects are moving forward.
- Upcoming events include the equalization process, budget preparation, Director Elections, and the 2019 Assessment Roll. Director positions up for election will be Position #2 Kaj Selmann, Position #3 Kris Dexter, and Position #5 Bill Bailey.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board went into Executive Session at 7:35 PM to discuss with Legal Counsel potential litigation in the form of the legal risks of a proposed action or current practice as it relates to elections as authorized by RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i)(iii). The expected time was 10 minutes, and the Board was to return at 7:45 PM. Legal Counsel, Brian Iller indicated there may or may not be further action taken after as a result of the discussion in Executive Session.

The Board entered back into Regular Session at 7:45 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 PM.

Jeffrey B. Foster, Chairman

Bill Bailey, Vice Chairman

Kris Dexter, Director

Richard Teals, Director

Kaj Selmann, Director

By: _____
Secretary to the Board of Directors