

CALL TO ORDER

At 7:00 PM, President Bailey called the August 14, 2023 Special Board Meeting of the Moses Lake Irrigation and Rehabilitation District to order. The record shows President Bailey, Vice President Teals, Director Foster, Director Perry, and Director Dexter were present. The record indicates that this meeting was recorded. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

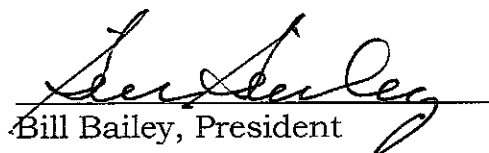
President Bailey called on the board members to approve the agenda. Director Foster made a motion to approve the agenda. Director Dexter seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

DISSCUSSION

President Bailey announced that all the Directors came into the MLIRD office separately last week and read over the MLIRD Manager resumes. Discussion took place on the open MLIRD Manager position. Interim Manager Beth Yonko stated that MLIRD has approximately \$890,000 to get through the next 9 months before revenue from the 2024 assessments begins to come in. She expressed concerns that the Board should wait to hire a General Manager until revenue from the 2024 assessments starts coming in again. President Bailey stated the District's expenses have been running at approximately \$70,000 a month and said that it may not be the right time for the District to hire a new manager. President Bailey also thinks there are potentially candidates that could still possibly apply for the position. Director Foster agreed and stated that he believes that waiting to hire a General Manager would be best for the District right now. He also said besides the monthly salary of hiring a General Manager, the expense for benefits for the position could be in the range of 50-60% of the salary. Vice President Teals stated early on, the Directors looked at major projects the District needed to address, the Legislation changes, and water rights being two of them, and continuing work with MLIRD's consultant, Kaj Selmann to help with the large projects is important. He also feels that holding off on hiring a General Manager is a good idea as well. Director Foster made a motion to defer any hiring decision until such a time as the Board agrees that MLIRD has the capability of funding the General Manager position. Vice President Teals seconded the motion. Director Dexter stated he read over all the resumes submitted and had narrowed them down to two applicants and is okay with continuing to wait to hire a General Manager. Director Perry said that with MLIRD only having approximately \$890,000 with nine months left before 2024 assessments start coming in which does not leave MLIRD with very much money and feels the right thing to do at the moment would be to wait to hire a General Manager. The motion carried unanimously. President Bailey stated the Board is deferring the decision to hire a manager at this time and will still be accepting resumes.

ADJOURNMENT

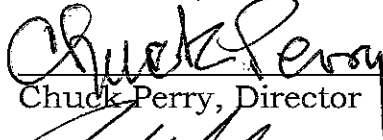
The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 PM.


Bill Bailey, President

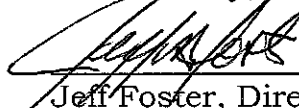
Richard Teals, Vice President



Kris Dexter, Director



Chuck Perry, Director



Jeff Foster, Director

By: Beck Youko
Secretary to the Board of Directors