

Moses Lake Irrigation and Rehabilitation District
Regular Board Meeting
September 14, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

At 7:00 PM, Vice President Teals called the September 14, 2021 Regular Board Meeting of the Moses Lake Irrigation and Rehabilitation District to order. The record shows that Vice President Teals, Director Selmann, and Director Dexter were present. The record indicates that this meeting was recorded. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited.

DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEM(S)

Vice President Teals called for discussion on any agenda items, and nothing was brought forward.

DISCUSSION OF NON-AGENDA ITEM(S)

Vice President Teals called for discussion on any non-agenda items, and nothing was brought forward.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Vice President Teals called on the board members to approve the agenda. Director Selmann made a motion to approve the agenda. Director Dexter seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Vice President Teals called on the board members to approve the consent agenda. The consent agenda consisted of the meeting minutes from the 08/10/2021 Regular Meeting, the Bills/Checks (#18122-#18162), and Voucher #1000240 totaling \$87,350.21. Director Dexter asked for a correction on page 2 of the 08/10/2021 meeting minutes, and it was said that the correction would be made. Director Selmann made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Director Dexter seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

MLIRD STAFF REPORTS

MLIRD Staff reported the following:

- Water testing will continue weekly through the rest of September. All but one of the toxin tests sent to King County Labs this year have all been under the Washington Department of Health Recreational Guideline limit of 8 ug/L for Microcystins.
- The new office printer was delivered on September 14, 2021.
- Connelly Park has had no issues so far this year and will close on October 31, 2021.
- The fountain will be removed from the lake at the beginning of October.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Vice President Teals asked if anyone had spoken with Legal Counsel Brian Iller regarding the court case. Director Selmann stated he believes Legal Counsel Brian Iller has filed the response and is waiting to hear back on whether MLIRD gets an expedited hearing.

ACTION ITEMS

Vice President Teals asked where MLIRD was at on the surplus of the excess equipment. MLIRD Staff stated the auction company's proposals were emailed out for review, and President Bailey has been working on the project. President Bailey was going to make a recommendation to the Board on one of the auction companies at the meeting tonight; however, he is in a location where the cell phone service is not good, and he could not call in. Vice President Teals decided to wait to make a decision on an auction company until the October Regular Board Meeting for more discussion and to hear President Bailey's recommendation.

MLIRD Staff has been in contact with FCS Group who builds the assessment roll for the Grant County Mosquito District. The broad cost estimate for the FCS Group to build MLIRD's assessment, equalization, and election rolls is \$14,000-\$20,000, and then the cost would be less after the first year. FCS Group would do all the communicating with the Grant County Treasurer and Assessors Office to get the data needed to have the rolls built. MLIRD will need to begin advertising for the Equalization Meeting and posting for the 2021 Election within the next few months. President Bailey and Director Dexter will be up for election this year. Director Selmann made a motion to accept a contract with FCS Group to build MLIRD's assessment roll, equalization roll, and election roll pending a conversation between himself and Legal Counsel Brian Iller regarding any legal matters. Director Dexter seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

WORKSHOP/DIRECTOR QUESTIONS and/or COMMENTS

Director Selmann gave an update on the meeting between Vice President Teals, Director Selmann, and Dave Bren, the City of Moses Lake Municipal Service Director. They met to discuss moving forward with working with the City of Moses Lake to utilize MLIRD's water right and replacing the use of Moses Lake's potable water for irrigation water. MLIRD, City of Moses Lake, the Moses Lake Watershed Council, and the Department of Ecology will all work together to help move the project forward correctly. Vice President Teals stated Mr. Bren was very enthusiastic regarding the project and thought it would be great for Moses Lake to be using city water for drinking, not for irrigating lawns. Director Selmann stated Mr. Bren mentioned the City of Moses Lake uses an average of 15 million gallons of potable water a day in the summer and an average of 4 million gallons of potable water a day in the winter which gives a large perspective of how much potable water is used for irrigation purposes in the summer. This would be a significant amount of water rights that the City of Moses Lake would not have to buy each year and could potentially accommodate more development over the next 20 years. Director Selmann will keep the Board informed as the project progresses.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 PM.

Bill Bailey, President


Richard Teals, Vice President

Kris Dexter, Director


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Bill Bailey, President

Kaj Selmann, Director

Jeff Foster, Director

By:

Secretary to the Board of Directors