

CONSOLIDATED IRRIGATION DISTRICT No. 19

BOARD MINUTES

December 19, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Steve Schultz. Board members Paul Schultz, Dan Evans, Jeff Bass and Denis McLaughlin were present as was Manager, Shane Sheppard. Consolidated Customer Thomas Gresch was also present.

The November 16, 2022, Board Meeting Minutes were reviewed and upon a motion by Paul Schultz, second by Denis McLaughlin and a unanimous vote, the Minutes were approved as presented.

The current bills and financial reports were reviewed. Upon a motion by Jeff Bass, second by Paul Schultz and a unanimous vote, the financial reports were accepted, and the bills were approved for payment.

Public Comment:

Thomas Gresch 19507 E Buckeye came in to appeal his excess irrigation for the summer of 2022. Thomas explained since 2005 he has watered 10 acres of land off of his irrigation service which includes his son's property to the east 19627 E Buckeye. The manager noticed he has not had an overage in prior years even when watering the neighbor's property but this year he used double than normal use. The Board determined that the District would pull the irrigation meter and test it to make sure that it is reporting accurate usage. The manager will connect back up with Thomas after the meter has been tested to determine the reason for the excess water use this year. Thomas left the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

At 7:31 pm the regular meeting of the Board of Directors was recessed, and the Board convened as a Board of Equalization. No customers were present, and no customers had sent in written requests for equalization of their assessment on the assessment roll. The Board of Equalization hearing was closed at 7:36 pm and at the same time the Board of Directors reconvened the regular meeting.

Resolutions 2022-8 Electronic Funds Policy was signed and made part of these Minutes.

Resolutions 2022-9 declaring Dan Evans elected as Director of Division 5 was signed and made part of these Minutes.

The Union Contract for the period 2023-2026 was reviewed. Each article for change was thoroughly discussed. The union representative and the field employees have signed the four (4) original Contracts.

Upon a motion by Dan Evans, a second by Paul Schultz and a unanimous vote, the President and Secretary were authorized to sign the Contracts.

The 2023 Operations & Maintenance Budget was reviewed. The manager noted the purchase of a truck to replace the existing 2012 F350 (\$70,000), 12" watermain replacement in conjunction with the City of Spokane Valley's road improvements on Euclid Avenue (\$65,000), construction for the 2-million-gallon reservoir for system 10221 (\$3,900,000), the replacement of more radio read meters (\$70,000), installation of another variable frequency drive at Wellsites 3 and 5 (\$35,000), surveillance cameras/alarm for headquarters office (\$5,000) and installing an automatic ADA wheelchair door access on the north side of the building (\$15,000). Current COLA (Cost of Living Adjustment) projections look to be considerably higher than the active union contract minimum of 5%. The budget will not be completed until the year-end financials are finalized.

The manager noted that the Legacy Ridge West Tract E land acquisition has been completed. With regard to the contract review, the lift gate was added instead of a slide gate. Also discussed was the matter of using American made steel - the grant did not stipulate that requirement. Denis McLaughlin mentioned that Kobe Steel, a Japanese manufacturer, had a data fraud scandal and asked if we could isolate contractors from using that manufacturer. Another topic regarding the terms and condition of using DN Tanks specifications which is more stringent than some specifications for other tank concrete builders. After some discussion the Board agreed on using the DN Tanks specifications even if we had less contractors bidding this would give the District the best quality.

All T-Mobile equipment has been removed from Wellsite 1. Ground equipment has been removed from Well Site 11 with tank equipment removal to happen once the snow has melted. Wellsites 2 and 8 will be last to be decommissioned scheduled for the spring of 2023.

The manager reviewed current and proposed projects within the District.

- a) Hodges South Plat – Mainline Tap completed.
- b) Greenacres Euclid Warehouse – Mainline Tap completed.
- c) Performing Arts Center – Plans Approved.

Manager reported on field activities:

- a) Service Installs – ¾” services 22, 1” services 3 and 14 repair orders.
- b) Spokane Valley Fire Department – Department to furnish parts for Hydrant installation and District to provide labor on Campbell Road.

Denis McLaughlin mentioned that 21023 E. Wellesley has a business and should be assessed as one and not residential. It was also noted that there could be the possibility of storm drain contaminant issues with all the scrap vehicles on site. The manager noted the information and will do a further review of the property.

There being no further business, and upon a motion by Paul Schultz, second by Denis McLaughlin and a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Vouchers submitted and approved for payment:

Vouchers	Recipient	Description	Amount
2257	HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$13,499.99
2258	HD FOWLER	INVENTORY	\$22,735.44
2259	CIAW	LIABILITY INSURANCE	\$66,568.79
2260	CITY OF LIBERTY LAKE	LEGACY RIDGE TANK	\$2,500.15
2261	DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	LEGACY RIDGE TANK	\$1,984.00
2262	VARELA & ASSOCIATES	LEGACY RIDGE TANK	\$62,208.35
2263	STATE AUDITOR	3 YEAR AUDIT	\$3,828.00
2264	WHEAT AND ASSOCIATES	AGENCY FEE	\$3,950.00
2265	SECRETARY REVOLVING FUND	REIMBURSE REVOLVING FUND	\$141,394.10
TOTAL			\$318,668.82

President

Attest:

Secretary