

COLUMBIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT BOARD MEETING
January 5, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

President Shawver called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Present at the meeting were:

Vincent Shawver, President
Neil Martin, Vice President
Dallas Ayde, Director
Sherri Thackham, Director
Marilyn Dickenson, Director

Curt Strifert, Secretary/Manager
Lila Freshment, Recorder
Jeff Sperline, Sperline Raekes Law

Guests:

None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Director Martin motioned to approve the agenda as submitted. Director Dickenson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

OATH OF OFFICE

Director Dickenson took the Oath of Office for Division #4.

Director Thackham took the Oath of Office for Division #5.

REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD

Director Martin motioned for Director Shawver to remain President of the Board. The Board unanimously approved for Director Shawver to be President. Motion carried.

Director Thackham motioned for Director Martin to remain Vice President of the Board. The Board unanimously approved for Director Martin to be Vice President. Motion carried.

Director Ayde made a motion to nominate Mr. Strifert as Secretary of the Board. The Board unanimously approved Mr. Strifert to remain Secretary of the Board. Motion carried. Mr. Strifert will take the Oath of Office at the January 19th meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of December 15, 2023

Director Dickenson motioned to approve the minutes of December 15, 2023. Director Thackham seconded the motion. Motion carried.

December Vouchers

Voucher 01	Reimburse Revolving Fund	\$247,089.87
Voucher 02	UPL – Herbicides	<u>\$ 48,604.47</u>
	Total All Vouchers	\$213,173.89

The Board reviewed and discussed the December Vouchers. Director Thackham motioned to approve the vouchers as submitted. Director Martin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

November Financial Statement

The Board reviewed and discussed the November Financial Statement.

OLD BUSINESS

Brockman LID

Agenda item was moved to Executive Session.

Work Orders by Division

The Board reviewed and discussed the work orders in their respective divisions.

Concrete Canvas

Mr. Strifert reported on the progress of the concrete canvas project. It should be completed by the next board meeting.

2023-2024 Budget Amendment

Mr. Strifert requested the Board approve a budget amendment to add \$127,000 to R & M LID Power and Materials for The Lakes and Hitchcock LID AquaSystems Filtration Systems. Director Thackham motioned to increase line-item number 41 in the 2023/2024 Budget for Aqua System by \$127,000, from \$580,190 to \$707,190. Funds are to be removed from the Surplus Fund. Director Dickenson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Strifert requested the Board approve the transfer of the balance of line-item #63, in the amount of \$48,110 and add a new line-item for Road Repair to the 2023/2024 Budget. Director Thackham motioned to add a new line item for Road Repair and move the balance from line-item #41, \$48,110 to the new line item. Director Dickenson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Operations Report.

Mr. Strifert reported that the tree contractor has started working on tree removal. The crew has started working on the Lateral One Phase 2 Liner Project on Carlson to Bowles Rd. Vegetation Management has been spraying the canal to help with weed control.

Resolution 2024-1 Main Canal Mid Automation Grant

Director Thackham motioned to approve Resolution 2024-1 Main Canal Mid Automation Grant to install automated gates throughout the middle of the Main Canal system. Director Martin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Resolution 2024-2 Cox Spillway Liner Grant

Director Thackham motioned to approve Resolution 2024-2 Cox Spillway Liner Grant to line a 1,400 linear ft section of Lateral 2 between Finley Road and Perkins Road. Director Ayde seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Resolution 2024-3 38th to Van Giesen Liner Grant

Director Martin motioned to approve Resolution 2024-3 38th to Van Giesen Liner Grant as submitted. Director Ayde seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Director Thackham amended the motion to approve Resolution 2024-3 38th to Van Giesen Liner Grant to line approximately 4,000 linear feet of the Main Canal between 38th Avenue and Van Giesen in West Richland. Director Ayde seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Strifert recommended that the District request in the Cox Spillway Liner and Main Canal Mid Automation grant application a 60/40 cost share to increase our chance of being awarded the grant. The Board agreed with Mr. Strifert's recommendation.

Water Banking

Agenda Item moved to next board meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Shawver moved the meeting into Executive Session at 10:20 a.m., for 20 minutes, to discuss potential legal risks of current or proposed action. At 10:40 a.m. the Executive Session was extended for 10 minutes. The meeting was moved to open session at 10:50 a.m. No reportable action was taken.

DIRECTOR DISCUSSION

President Shawver announced to the Board that Enduris is conducting an online seminar on "The Role of an Effective Board Member" on Wednesday, January 24, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. There will be an Open Public Meeting Act training at the mid-February board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

President Shawver adjourned the meeting at 10:58 a.m.



Vincent Shawver, President



Neil Martin, Vice President



Sherri Thackham, Director



Dallas Ayde, Director



Marilyn Dickenson, Director

ATTEST: 

Curt Strifert, Secretary/Manager