

CALL TO ORDER

At 7:00 PM, Chairman Foster called the April 09, 2019 Regular Board Meeting of the Moses Lake Irrigation and Rehabilitation District to order. The record shows that all Board of Directors were present. General Manager, Chris Overland was also present. Legal Counsel, Brian Iller was not in attendance. The record indicates that this meeting was recorded.

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 Rodney Kenny asked to speak on the matter regarding why some lake-front property owners are in the District and some are not. Chairman Foster stated the District boundaries were created in the early 1930s and have evolved over the years.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chairman Foster called on the board members to approve the agenda. Chairman Foster stated without Legal Counsel at the meeting, Executive Session can be taken off the agenda unless the need arises further in the meeting. Executive Session was removed from the agenda. Director Teals made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. 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 03/12/19 Regular Meeting, the Bills/Checks (#17073-#17108) and Voucher #1000211 totaling in \$69,219.23. Director Teals made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Director Dexter seconded the motion. Vice Chairman Bailey abstained from voting on anything related to Basin Property Management, Inc. The motion carried unanimously.

MLIRD STAFF REPORTS

General Manager, Chris Overland reported the following:

- Lake elevation was at 1044.30 feet as of April 09, 2019.
- Rocky Coulee Wasteway flows were to begin on March 23, 2019 but were held off due to concerns over late ice on the lake.
- Discussion was then had on the consideration of awarding a dredge project bid. The Board had previously waited to award a bid until further legal research was done.
- 2019 Aquatic Weed Treatment advertisements will run 4/10, 4/17 and 4/24. Bids will be opened and reviewed on May 1, 2019.
- Connelly Park opens tomorrow, April 10, 2019.
- Upcoming Watershed Council meetings are scheduled for 4/15, 5/8, and 5/15.
- The Collective Bargaining Agreement expires at the end of May.

- Lakeshore Cleanup on Saturday, March 23, 2019 was a great turn out. There were approximately 115 volunteers and over 1.5 ton of garbage was removed.
- It was pointed out that in the recent Cultural Resource Assessment that was done at Connelly Park, one of the Sinkayuse Indian settlements had a location they referred to as “Stinking Water” which was located near the northeastern shoreline of Moses Lake. Chairman Foster mentioned that this could mean the water quality issues in the north end of the lake did not just start last year; it has been going on for many years.

WORKSHOP/DIRECTOR QUESTIONS and/or COMMENTS

Chairman Foster updated the Board on the mapping process. He received more refined numbers from a company out of North Carolina that are close to having a contract ready for Legal Counsel, Brian Iller to look over and bring to the Board.

ACTION ITEMS

Vice Chairman Bailey made a motion to table the consideration and possible awarding of a dredge bid until the Board has a legal recommendation on whether or not to proceed. Director Dexter seconded the motion. Discussion then took place. Director Teals asked that the Board go into Executive Session to update him on the legal issues regarding the dredge bids. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board went into Executive Session at 7:15 PM to discuss potential litigation in the form of the legal risks of a proposed action or current practice as it relates to bids and bid process as authorized by RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i)(iii). The expected time was 10 minutes, and the Board was to return approximately at 7:25 PM.

The Board entered back into Regular Session at 7:25 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 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