Moses Lake Irrigation and Rehabilitation District Special Board Meeting June 22, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

At 5:00 PM, President Bailey called the June 22, 2021 Special Board Meeting of the Moses Lake Irrigation and Rehabilitation District to order. The record shows that President Bailey, Director Dexter, Director Foster, and Director Selmann were present. Legal Counsel Brian Iller attended via telephone. President Bailey stated for the record that he and MLIRD Staff have made multiple calls to Vice President Teals and was not successful in reaching him. The record indicates that this meeting was recorded. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited.

DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEM(S)

President Bailey called on the board members and anyone attending viatelephone for discussion on agenda items and nothing was brought forward.

APPROVAL OF 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.

ACTION ITEMS

President Bailey announced the meeting today was to consider the appointment of an Interim Manager. MLIRD is mourning the passing of its General Manager Chris Overland on Sunday, June 20, 2021. President Bailey stated he has been present at the MLIRD office the last few days to assist MLIRD Staff with anything they needed and make arrangements with issues that needed to be dealt with. President Bailey stated that MLIRD Staff Beth Yonko, Taylor Murray, and Chris Wilson have done well, and he has confidence they will continue to do so. President Bailey stated the MLIRD Board has the option to appoint an Interim Manager or not. He has made several observations the last few days, one being the MLIRD Staff is very competent in what they are doing. MLIRD Staff has contacted Steve Boyd with 360 IT, who will be in the office tomorrow to help with IT questions. President Bailey stated after conversations with MLIRD Staff; he has come to the opinion that appointing anyone other than the Chairman of the Board as Interim Manager temporarily would not be in the best interest of the District nor of the MLIRD Staff. President Bailey said questions' regarding salary and vacation leave are being addressed; however, at the same time wants to make sure MLIRD is doing everything to assist the Overland family. Director Foster asked Legal Counsel Brian Iller if there were any concerns or conflicts with the position of the Secretary to the Board as well. Legal Counsel Brian Iller stated the topic would be discussed in Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board went into Executive Session at 5:10 PM to discuss with legal counsel potential litigation in the form of risks of a proposed action or current practice as authorized by RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i)(iii). Possible action may be taken after Executive Session. The expected time was 10 minutes, and the Board was to return approximately at 5:20 PM.

The Board entered back into Regular Session at 5:20 PM.

ACTION ITEMS (cont.)

President Bailey stated after Executive Session, the MLIRD Board of Directors would not be appointing an Interim Manager. President Bailey will be available to assist MLIRD Staff with whatever direction they need. Director Selmann stated if there was anything the Board could do to support President Bailey with assisting the MLIRD Staff to let them know. Director Dexter commended the job General Manager Chris Overland had done for MLIRD and gave his condolences to the Overland family. He stated General Manager Chris Overland had helped the community and the Moses Lake waters greatly, and he appreciated all the good services he brought to MLIRD. President Bailey stated he spoke with the Chairman of the Moses Lake Watershed Council, Harold Crose who stated similar sympathies and that he would be greatly missed.

JOURNMENT	
e meeting was adjourned at 5:23	Bill Bailey, President
	Richard Teals, Vice President
	Kris Dexter, Director
	Kaj Selmann, Director
	Jeff Foster, Director
Secretary to the Board of Dire	ectors