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

#### CALL TO ORDER

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

### DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEM(S)

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

### DISCUSSION OF NON-AGENDA ITEM(S)

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

### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

### APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

President Bailey called on the board members to approve the consent agenda. The consent agenda consisted of the meeting minutes from the 11/09/2021 Regular Meeting, the Bills/Checks (#18224-#18255), and Voucher #1000243 totaling \$164,197.34. Director Dexter made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Vice President Teals seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. President Bailey abstained from voting on anything related to Basin Property Management, Inc.

### **MLIRD STAFF REPORTS**

MLIRD Staff reported the following:

- MLIRD received a \$439,763.97 check for the auction proceeds from MLIRD's surplus equipment sold through Booker Auction Company on November 17, 2021.
- President Bailey, Director Foster, and MLIRD Staff have reviewed questionable parcels on what would have been the Draft 2022 Assessment Roll had MLIRD had to complete one, and most of the parcels in question have been resolved. Neal Welbourne with Geographical Services and Chief Deputy Bobbee Poplawski at the Grant County Assessor's Office have worked very well together. MLIRD will send the list back to the respected parties and have the draft more ready for next year.
- President Bailey spoke with Lee Gerber, who owns the shop MLIRD is leasing on Pheasant Street on December 14, 2021 regarding the lease terms. President Bailey mentioned to Mr. Gerber that he was going to make the recommendation to the Board to terminate the lease per the terms. He suggested meeting with him again in the first part of January 2022 to do a walkthrough of the shop, and then Mr. Gerber can start advertising for a new tenant. Director Foster made a motion to prepare a letter to be sent to Sagebrush Holdings, LLC, giving MLIRD's notice to terminate the 1740 W

Pheasant Shop lease as soon as possible per the terms of the lease agreement. Vice President Teals seconded the motion. Director Dexter asked with the sale of the surplus equipment if there was no other equipment that needed to be stored indoors or sheltered. President Bailey stated there are a few boats that can be tarped, vehicles, and harvesters that can all be stored in the fenced back area of the MLIRD office. Per the lease terms, MLIRD has to notify Mr. Gerber 30 days before April 30, 2022 of the lease termination, and MLIRD will then have a year after April 30, 2022 to continue the lease unless Mr. Gerber is able to find a new tenant. The motion carried unanimously. Director Foster asked if there was a section in the lease terms if MLIRD could sub-let. Legal Counsel Brian Iller stated he does not recall anywhere in the lease where it stated MLIRD could not sub-let. However, he said he would read through the lease again to check.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board went into Executive Session at 7:20 PM to discuss with legal counsel pending litigation as authorized by RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i) and potential litigation in the form of legal 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 30 minutes, and the Board was to return approximately at 7:50 PM.

At 7:50 PM, President Bailey extended Executive Session 10 minutes. The Board was to return to Regular Session at approximately 8:00 PM.

At 8:00 PM, President Bailey extended Executive Session 10 minutes. The Board was to return to Regular Session at approximately 8:10 PM.

The Board entered back into Regular Session at 8:10 PM.

## WORKSHOP/DIRECTOR QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Director Foster asked about the current invoice from Mr. Gene Welch. President Bailey stated Mr. Welch is currently writing a report for MLIRD and that the report is much needed. Tetra Tech has also emailed out a significant report that the Board of Directors received Tuesday, December 14, 2021. Director Selmann stated the Tetra Tech report will be helpful for some of the applications needed for the Moses Lake Watershed Council. The Moses Lake Watershed Council has also been involved in negotiations for a significant grant that will be made available for the benefit of the lake. Mr. Welch was a critical part of the application process for that specific grant.

President Bailey and Vice President Teals met on December 14, 2021 and reviewed the 2022 MLIRD Budget. Within the following weeks, they will put together information for the finance committee to go over and then email the budget out to all Board of Directors for discussion at the January 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

# ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 PM.

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Michigan Manager Maj Selmann, Director

By: Secretary to the Board of Directors