

CALL TO ORDER

At 7:00 PM, President Bailey called the May 09, 2023 Regular Board Meeting of the Moses Lake Irrigation and Rehabilitation District to order. The record shows President Bailey, Vice President Teals, Director Dexter, Director Perry, Director Foster, and Legal Counsel Brian Iller were present. 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 Foster 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 04/11/23 Regular Meeting, the Bills/Checks (#18755-#18789), and Voucher #1000260, totaling \$70,924.99. Vice President Teals made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Director Foster seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

MLIRD STAFF REPORTS

- Lake elevation on May 09, 2023 was 1046.80.
- MLIRD Staff attended the Desert Lawn & Landscape Seminar on Saturday, May 6, 2023. The City of Moses Lake, Columbia Basin Conservation District, Grant County Health Department and several Vangaurd Acedamy students who had presentations regarding Moses Lake Water quality also attended. This was a great community seminar that had a lot information regarding the City of Moses Lake's water shortage issues.
- Discussion was had on renewing a contract with MLIRD Consultant Kaj Selmann. There is still a lot of research needed on MLIRD's water right. Vice President Teals made a motion to hire Kaj Selmann on a monthly basis under the same terms as the prior contract. Director Perry seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- Senate Bill 5460 was signed by Govenor Inslee today, May 9, 2023.
- Discussion on hiring a new General Manager then took place. Director Foster mentioned hiring Kaj Selmann as the new Manager. He also suggested having an Operations Manager and another type of manager that does the type of work Kaj Selmann is currently doing.
- Discussion then took place on Welbourne Geographical Services for a benefit analysis. Director Foster made a motion to hire Neal

Welbourne with Welbourne Geographical Services. Vice President Teals seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

- President Bailey provided the Directors an example of what the minimum cost for irrigating parcels with City of Moses Lake water would be. He took average sized city lots (1/4 acre, 1/2 acre, 1 acre, 2.5 acres), determined an estimated amount of irrigable land, and calculated an estimate of what they would pay if they were using City of Moses Lake water for irrigation purposes. Discussion was also had on homeowner associations such as Wild Goose, Diamond Point, and Dune Lakes that pump water to parcels not on the lakeshore and lakeshore parcels that are irrigating from the lake and not in the District.
- Discussion took place on getting an paid advertisement published regarding the Legislation. The Directors will send their thoughts to Legal Counsel Brian Iller who will incorporate everything together for an advertisement.
- The 2023 Aquatic Weed Treatment proposals were due on Tuesday, April 25, 2023. The scoring committee opened and reviewed the proposals on Thursday, April 27, 2023. President Bailey stated the scoring committee recommends that the Board of Directors approve Aquatechnex, LLC for the 2023 Aquatic Weed Treatments. The contract may be renewed for an additional three years. Director Dexter made a motion to approve Aquatechnex, LLC for the 2023 Aquatic Weed Treatments. Director Foster seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- The MOU with the City of Moses Lake regarding MLIRD's water rights expired last month. Both MLIRD and the City of Moses Lake have been working together on establishing how to get lake water into the cities water system. Vice President Teals made a motion to extend the MOU with the City of Moses Lake for another year. Director Perry seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

WORKSHOP/DIRECTOR QUESTIONS and/or COMMENTS

Vice President Teals asked if the fountain was going to be put in the lake this year. He suggested possibly not due to budgetary issues. Director Foster stated he receives a lot of positive comments regarding the fountain and believes the fountain should still go in the lake this year. Director Dexter mentioned adding MLIRD's logo to the fountain and was decided to look into something like that for next year.

President Bailey stated the Parker Horn Pump Station had some electrical issues with the controls. However, is now running on a bypass and is pumping water into Pelican Horn.


RESOLUTIONS

2023-002 – Thomas & Candice Whiteman Land Petition

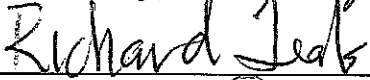
With there being no objections, Director Foster made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-002 – Thomas & Candice Whiteman's land petition. Director Dexter seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT


The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 PM.



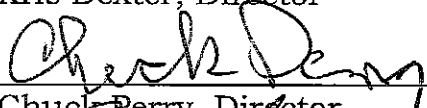
Bill Bailey, President



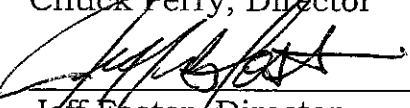
Richard Teals, Vice President



Kris Dexter, Director



Chuck Perry, Director



Jeff Foster, Director

By: Beth Youko
Secretary to the Board of Directors