

Anderson-Cottonwood Irrigation District

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MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

AUGUST 11, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Haynes called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Directors present: Blankenship, Butcher, Haynes, Kreps

Directors absent: Munson (arrived during Item 7.)

Staff present: Kelley, Wangberg

Others in attendance: Bill Gregory and Chuck Neve

2. PRESENTATIONS - *None*

3. DISCUSSION / INFORMATION ITEMS

3.1 Variations in length of irrigation rotations

General Manager Wangberg reported that he had discussed the variations in length of irrigation rotations with staff members.

He reviewed the irrigation records for the Churn Creek division, notably Mr. Magee's irrigation times, and determined that Mr. Magee was correct in his statement that twice this season his irrigation rotation has exceeded the target 14-day rotation. It appears that the June rotation was compromised by the unseasonable rains which delayed the start-up of his ditch, and the July rotation was extended when an upstream water user had hay down resulting in Mr. Magee getting his water a few days earlier than scheduled, and then on his regularly scheduled day on the next rotation.

General Manager Wangberg will work with staff in an attempt to determine a means to keep the rotation on the regularly scheduled days.

Director Blankenship apologized for his questions to Mr. Magee at last month's meeting, noting that he was out of order opening discussions during the Public Participation portion of the agenda.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - *NONE*

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5. CONSENT AGENDA

- 5.1 MINUTES – APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 14, 2011.
- 5.2 FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT FOR MONTH ENDING JULY 31, 2011.
- 5.3 PAYROLL – APPROVE PAYROLL CHECK REGISTER FOR MONTH OF JULY 2011.
- 5.4 CASH DISBURSEMENTS – APPROVE CASH DISBURSEMENTS JOURNAL FOR MONTH OF JULY 2011.
- 5.5 EFTPS TRANSACTIONS – APPROVE EFTPS TRANSACTIONS FOR THE PAYROLL PERIODS ENDING JUNE 30, 2011 AND JULY 15, 2011.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda was unanimously approved. *(RB / SK)*

- 5.6 ITEMS (IF ANY) REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA. - *NONE*.

6. ACTION ITEMS

- 6.1 DESIGNATE GENERAL MANAGER'S 2001 FORD F-150 PICKUP SURPLUS EQUIPMENT TO FACILITATE SALE (GENERAL MANAGER WANGBERG).

General Manager Wangberg advised the Board he had posted for sealed bids on the Ford 8000 dump truck on Craigslist, and had two bidders. This worked well, and asked the Board to designate the GM's 2001 Ford F-150 pickup surplus equipment to facilitate its sale in the same manner.

As approved at the July meeting, a new Ford pickup has been ordered, and its anticipated delivery is sometime in October. Posting of the advertisement for the sale of the 2001 Ford F-150 will not be initiated until the new pickup is delivered.

The Board unanimously approved the the GM's 2001 Ford F-150 pickup as surplus equipment and its listing for sealed bids on Craigslist. *(SK / AB)*

- 6.2 CAST BALLOT FOR ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA WATER AGENCIES REGION 2 BOARD (SEE ENCLOSED BALLOT; DISTRICT HAS ONE VOTE).

The Board unanimously supported the vote for the slate of officers as recommended by the ACWA Region 2 Nomination Committee as submitted. *(RB / SK)*

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6. ACTION ITEMS *continued*

- 6.3 CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2011-11 TO SUPPORT THE NOMINATION OF SANDY WILLARD DENN OF GLENN-COLUSA IRRIGATION DISTRICT TO THE POSITION OF VICE PRESIDENT OF ACWA (SEE ENCLOSED PACKET).

General Manager Wangberg stated that he supports this nomination and feels that it would be an asset to this region to have Ms. Denn in this position.

Ms. Denn's nomination was wholly supported by the Board. *(SK / AB)*

7. MANAGER'S REPORT

ADMINISTRATIVE

Main Canal Modernization Project

An Advertisement for Bids was posted on Thursday, August 4, and the bid documents were made available on August 5. A nonmandatory prebid conference will be held at the offices of CH2M HILL at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, August 15. Bids will be accepted until 1:30 p.m. on Friday, August 26. The base bid is for construction of the Crowley Gulch siphon, and contractors may provide additive alternative bids for the construction of elevation control structures at Schmeider Gulch and First Street in Cottonwood.

Construction at Crowley Gulch must begin prior to November 1, 2011 and be substantially complete by October 15, 2012. We anticipate that most of the construction will occur during next years' irrigation season, using a temporary bypass for main canal flows.

Conjunctive Use Project

The administrative draft of the CEQA and NEPA environmental review documents are complete, and I have completed my review of the draft. The Bureau of Reclamation is currently reviewing the draft, after which the documents will be released for public review. Construction for this project may begin this fall.

One of the locations chosen for a production well is on a District-owned parcel between Barney Street and Deschutes Road in Anderson, bounded by I-5 and the main canal. The City of Anderson has initiated hostile acquisition of most of this parcel by exercising eminent domain to facilitate reconfiguration of the southbound I-5 offramp. I accompanied a representative from Shaw & Associates last week who conducted an appraisal on behalf of the City. At this point, I am expecting that the District will retain enough of this parcel to install the well as planned. However, there are two groundwater monitoring wells that lie inside the projected CalTrans right of way which will likely require relocation.

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7. MANAGER'S REPORT *continued*

CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE

Clear Creek siphon

We have engaged VESTRA Resources to conduct a feasibility study regarding repair and stabilization of the siphon, and that work is ongoing. In addition, Martin Nicholson, John Livingston and Sarah Isbell of CH2M HILL met with me onsite last week for a first-hand look at the structure. Martin is going to do some research about past work, including the installation of the downstream sheet-pile weirs completed by the Army Corps of Engineers in the 1980's. The CH team will be analyzing some of the possible engineering solutions to the siphon problems.

New dump truck

The District's new Ford dump truck has so far proven to be a good fit with the equipment transport trailer, and is performing very well. As I reported to you earlier, this vehicle provides 100% compliance with Air Resources Board emission standards and will require no future updates or reporting.

8. DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Director Blankenship

- Pleased that the Clear Creek siphon improvement project is a priority.
- Requested an updated "Project List" for the Board's review.

The meeting was adjourned to a short recess at 6:34 p.m. prior to reconvening into:

CLOSED SESSION

C.S.1. DISCUSSION OF CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION; PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE §54956.9(a): GREGORY.

No action taken.

9. ADJOURNMENT: 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Stan Wangberg
General Manager / Board Secretary