

October 10, 2017

Arnold Irrigation District
Monthly Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Bill Grafton at 3:00 pm. Board members present were Bill Grafton, Walt Warchol, Bren Hirschberg and Matt Steele. Office staff members present were Shawn Gerdes, Colin Wills and Juanita Harvey. Also present were Garrett Chrostek, substituting for Mark Reinecke, the District's attorney and patrons John and Venita Dick.

1. APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 2017 BOARD MEETING MINUTES: Bren motioned and Matt seconded his motion to approve the minutes with a correction as noted. The vote was unanimous in favor.

2. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Matt motioned and Walt seconded his motion to approve the accounts payable. The vote was unanimous in favor.

3. REPORTS:

a. MANAGER'S REPORT: Shawn reported that the Districts that are included in the Crane Prairie agreement will receive the same percentages allotted to each District as in the 1938 agreement over the next two years.

The new requirement in the biological opinion for the Oregon Spotted Frog from USFWS (United States Fish and Wildlife Services) is that the minimum flow below Wickiup dam must be maintained at 900 cfs from July 1st to September 15th.

We did not use any storage at all this year. North Unit received 13,500 AF from natural flows in August.

Bill asked John and Venita Dick if they had anything specific they wanted to bring up at the meeting. Both John and Venita stated that this was the best water year they have ever had. The water delivery was consistent and the water was clean and free of debris and silt. They thanked Colin and the ditch riders for a job well done.

b. FIELD SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Colin reported we are currently running 65 cfs in the system.

The crew is working on cutting down any trees in the District easements that are 3" in diameter and smaller and cleaning up debris piles as they go.

A pipe in the urban area had to be jetted and is flowing well now.

On October 23rd, the canal will be shot creted at Fassett's from the end of his property to the end of the rock cut. On October 16th and 17th, the inmate crew will be preparing that area for the shot crete.

Bill stated that the District needs to speak with Mr. Fassett or send him a letter stating that he cannot pile snow that he has plowed into the easement or into the canal during the winter months.

The crew is getting ready for maintenance season as the water season is ramping down.

c. OFFICE REPORT: Juanita reported that one patron did bring their account current. There are now four customers whose accounts are delinquent. Two owe for 2017 assessments,

one owes for 2016 and 2017 and the 4th patron owes for 2015, 2016 and 2017. Juanita will be sending the amounts owed by each of these patrons to Mark so that he can move ahead with filing liens and start the foreclosure process.

4. OLD BUSINESS:

Shawn reported that the mitigation bank paperwork is complete and ready to review.

Matt questioned if we had heard anything more from Pronghorn. Shawn stated we had not.

Bren questioned if we had heard anything more regarding the Lava Flow property. Shawn stated we had not.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

a. 2018 BUDGET COMMITTEE: Walt and Matt volunteered for the budget committee. Walt suggested 9:00 am for the meeting time. Colin suggested that Jeff Burgin stated he would gladly be on the budget committee this year and that Jason Townsend may want to be on the committee as well again. Juanita will call these patrons and others to see who may be interested.

b. CHRISTMAS PARTY: The Christmas party is scheduled for Friday, December 15th. Invitations will be going out in November.

c. OPEN FORUM: There weren't any items brought up for discussion.

d. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 3:45 pm.

ARNOLD IRRIGATION DISTRICT

William Griffith → Bill Hirschberg
Walt Warch _____
Matt Stute _____