

# MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE OWYHEE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

*September 16, 2025*

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Owyhee Irrigation District was held on September 16, 2025, at the Owyhee Irrigation District office located at 422 Thunderegg Blvd., Nyssa, Oregon, at 7:45 p.m. Vice President Bruce Corn presiding.

The following Directors were present:

- Bruce Corn
- Gregory Clark
- Joseph Davis

Also present were:

- Clancy Flynn, District Manager
- Michael W. Horton, General Counsel
- Linda Henderson, Member of the Public
- Darla Sebasto, Member of the Public
- Debra Odette, Member of the Public
- John Russell, Auditor

## MEETING NOTICE.

The meeting agenda showed that public notice of the meeting was given on September 11, 2025.

## MINUTES.

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors held August 19, 2025, were mailed to the Directors prior to this meeting. A motion was made by Director Davis, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously carried approving the minutes as mailed.

## DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORT.

Mr. Flynn handed out a financial report for the month. The Directors reviewed and discussed the report. Director Clark asked if there have been any inquiries about the lot across from the office which is for sale. Mr. Flynn said there have not been any inquiries for several months. Vice President Corn asked if there has been any money received from the fiber optic companies yet. Mr. Flynn said that there has not. He said that he is still working on the matter through the Bureau of Reclamation. Mr. Flynn said that a deposit has been made on the transformers and the company which will be supplying them has started the refurbishment.

## DISTRICT ACCOUNTS PAYABLE.

A list of District accounts payable for the month, together with a breakdown of credit card charges, were included in the Directors' packets. The Directors reviewed the accounts and credit card charges. The Directors asked questions about some of the bills and credit card charges. Vice President Corn asked about the Jiffy Lube bill. Mr. Flynn said that the lift has not been installed in the shop yet so the crew is not yet doing their own oil changes. He said that on the fuel orders, staff

are always getting at least three quotes before ordering fuel. A motion was made by Director Clark, seconded by Director Davis, and unanimously carried approving payment of the accounts payable.

#### MITCHELL BUTTE POWER PROJECT:

##### Financial Report.

A financial report for the Mitchell Butte Power Project was handed out by Mr. Flynn. The Directors reviewed and discussed the financial report. Vice President Corn said that the District needs to continue building up reserves in anticipation of renewing the FERC license.

##### Accounts Payable.

Accounts payable for the Mitchell Butte Power Project were listed on the agenda. A motion was made by Director Davis, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously carried approving payment of the accounts payable.

#### AUDIT REPORT.

John Russell handed out the audit which his firm prepared for the District for the calendar year 2024. The Directors reviewed the audit report as Mr. Russell went through and summarized it. Vice President Corn asked if the District's controls are still okay after the accounting changeover. Mr. Russell said that they are. He said that all control tests came back good. Controls were discussed. Mr. Russell said that overall, the audit went really well this year.

John Russell left the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

#### PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR 2026.

Mr. Flynn handed out a preliminary draft budget for 2026. The preliminary budget was reviewed and discussed. Equipment needs for the District were discussed. The potential impact on the budget from the Kingman Pipeline Project was discussed.

#### KINGMAN PIPELINE PROJECT.

Mr. Flynn said that he is still waiting on SHIPPO and then EPA approval before starting the dirt work on the Kingman pipeline project. He said that he is waiting on approximately \$200,000 in OWRD grant reimbursements once the EPA approval comes in after a MOU is entered into.

#### VEGETATION CONTROL.

Mr. Flynn asked the Directors about weeds in their area. He said that he believes staff may have missed the timing on chemical applications by about two weeks. A discussion was had on chemical treatment throughout the District's systems.

#### WATER RIGHTS.

Mr. Flynn said that there is a water user who is wanting to sell the District their water rights. Mr. Flynn explained the situation and the Directors discussed the matter. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Board of Directors that they are not willing to purchase the water rights from the water user.

#### OWYHEE SIPHON.

Mr. Flynn said that the concrete apron that goes into the Owyhee Siphon has pulled away and created a two inch crack. He said there is a small trickle of clear water working its way through the crack. He said that USBR staff have been notified and they will be doing a site visit. Director Clark will also go out and view the situation.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

Linda Henderson said that the Cruickshank's got approval on a two-acre building site from the Eastern Oregon Border Board.

PL566 SCOPING MEETING.

Mr. Flynn reported on the recent PL566 Scoping meeting. He said that the meeting went well.

ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael W. Horton, General Counsel

APPROVED:

October 21, 2025