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

June 17, 2025

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Owyhee Irrigation District was held on June 17, 2025, at the Owyhee Irrigation District office located at 422 Thunderegg Blvd., Nyssa, Oregon, at 7:17 p.m. President Frank Ausman presiding.
The following Directors were present:

- Bruce Corn
- Gregory Clark
- Eric White
- Joseph Davis
- Frank Ausman

Also present were:

- Clancy Flynn, District Manager
- Michael W. Horton, General Counsel
- Linda Henderson, Member of the Public
- Mickey Decker Newton, Member of the Public
- Gary Davis, Member of the Public
- Dave Murray, Member of the Public
- Alvin Baptiste, Member of the Public
- Helen Baptiste, Member of the Public

MEETING NOTICE.

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

MINUTES.

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors held May 20, 2025, were mailed to the Directors prior to this meeting. A motion was made by Director White, 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 financial report. Director Clark asked about RRA payout entries for the Bureau of Reclamation. Mr. Flynn, Mr. Horton, and Director Corn explained how the RRA payouts work. Mr. Flynn said that the BLM mower money has been released. Fuel costs were discussed.

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. A motion was made by Director Clark, seconded by Director White, 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 included in the Directors' packets. The Directors reviewed and discussed the financial report. Mr. Flynn said that he has still not transferred money from the project to OID. Director Corn asked if the project has been backed off to one unit and Mr. Flynn said that both units are still currently running. Mr. Flynn said that he still has not removed the contributed capital entry from the report. He said he wanted to check with the CPA first.

Accounts Payable.

Accounts payable for the Mitchell Butte Power Project were listed on the agenda. A motion was made by Director White, seconded by Director Davis, and unanimously carried approving payment of the accounts payable. Director Clark asked about how the Mitchell Butte system and the Dunaway Pumping Plant interact in delivering water. The interaction was explained by Mr. Flynn and the other Directors.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

Mickey Decker Newton, Gary Davis, Dave Murray, Alvin Baptiste, and Helen Baptiste spoke in favor of their ditch rider Rick. They explained different situations where he had been helpful in resolving issues for them.

KINGMAN LATERAL PIPELINE PROJECT.

Mr. Flynn said that SHIPPO has changed their rules again and are now requiring an MOU with other interested parties on the Kingman Pipeline Project. He said it will take up to an additional four months to comply with their recent requests. He said this will result in the project not getting done this next year. He said that only the head works may get done. He said that some crossing material was recently purchased by the District and the District will rent the material to the project.

PL566 GRANT PROGRAM.

Mr. Flynn said that the PL566 Grant Program is going again. He said that the scoping meeting will be in late July or August.

WATER USER ISSUE.

An issue that was brought up with regard to a water user during the public comment period was explained by Mr. Flynn.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

Linda Henderson asked about the boat inspection bill recently passed by the Oregon legislature. Mr. Flynn explained the results of the bill.

EMPLOYEE WAGES.

Director White asked about getting started on figuring out employee wages for the budget for next year. Mr. Flynn said that he will check on the consumer price index changes and report back next month.

CHEMICAL TREATMENTS.

Chemical treatments and canal weed growth were discussed.

SETTLING PONDS.

Director White asked about settling ponds near Owyhee Junction being taken out. Mr. Flynn explained why those ponds were taken out.

MEETING DATE POLICY.

The Board meeting date for the upcoming meeting in July was discussed. It was noted that the current policy requiring the Board meetings to be held on the first Tuesday following the third Monday of each month creates confusion. A discussion on the matter was held. After discussion, a motion was made by Director Clark, seconded by Director Davis, and unanimously carried that the District policy be changed to have the regular monthly Board of Director meetings on the third Tuesday of each month. Mr. Flynn said that this will result in next month's meeting to be on Tuesday, July 15.

ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael W. Horton, General Counsel

APPROVED:

July 15, 2025