

## **REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

October 16, 2024 1:00 p.m. NBWA Conference Room & Zoom

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The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wilson at 1:00 pm with Director Handler, and Director Sims present in the conference room. Director Mumey was present on Zoom. Director Hickey was excused.

Manager Bruce Halverson and Executive Assistant Keri Scott were also present in the conference room.

Ann Morgan, member of the public, was present in the conference room.

### **MINUTES**

Director Sims made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2024, Regular meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Handler and passed unanimously.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Director Sims made a motion to approve the financial report for the month ending August 31, 2024. The motion was seconded by Director Handler and passed unanimously.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No unfinished business.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Chairman Wilson called for any comments or questions on the Accuity Audit Report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2024. Kori Sarrett from Accuity will schedule a time to make a presentation at an upcoming Regular Board meeting.

Director Handler made a motion to approve the Plan of Action for the Oregon Secretary of State. The motion was seconded by Director Mumey and passed unanimously.

### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

**Wheeler North Upgrade:** The permitting part of the project is finally winding down. Kennedy Jenks has addressed all of DEQ's concerns. ODOT jumped on the bandwagon and had their own comments and questions that were dealt with as well. The bad news is, with all of the delays this has created, the engineering costs have increased. Hopefully the cost of the job itself won't increase by too much. The job will go out to bid in January 2025. Holidays in November and December would make scheduling for pre-bid meetings difficult, so we'll start fresh in 2025.

**Levee Maintenance:** That project is officially done. Kennedy Jenks supplied the as-built drawings and they have been sent off to the Army Corps of Engineers. The Army Corps decided they would like photos attached to the as-built for all of the improved sections and so Kennedy Jenks will resubmit with the requested photos referenced and attached.

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**The Big Vaccon:** The auxiliary engine blew up last week. Tony was looking into it and called contacts from his past and we are currently looking at repairs and/or a replacement engine to be in the neighborhood of \$60,000.00 +. Not good. That engine actually had a tag on it with an expiration date that we were not aware of. We went way past the expiration date. Tony was able to find a rebuilt Ford V-10 for \$21,000 and he will be able to install the engine, saving us \$4,000.

**SE Manzanita Pump Station New Building:** The color of the new building was rejected by Jim Pentz. Who, in turn, said it was rejected by the residents of the Highlands. Whatever the case, we were given colors to consider and had our painter take care of that for us. Now the building is green, which will blend in with the surrounding area. Our next phase is to have our electrician G3 install inside lights and outlets, and an outside outlet.

**Irrigation Season:** Irrigation season is officially over. We will be able to pump into the river again, providing the river levels will be high enough. They need to be 500 cubic feet per second to make that happen.

**BOARD COMMENTS**


The November 20th Regular Board Meeting will be at 1:00 pm

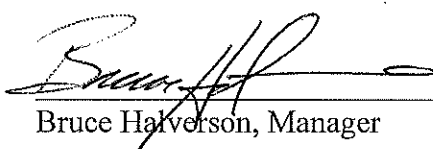
The Annual SDAO Conference is in Bend, Oregon February 7-9, 2025.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no comments.

There being no further business, Chairman Wilson adjourned the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

  
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David Wilson, Chairman

  
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Bruce Halverson, Manager