

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

September 15, 2021, 1:00 p.m. NBWA Conference Room

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The meeting was called to order by John Handler at 1:00 pm, with Jim Hickey, Mike Sims, and David Wilson present. Owen Nicholson was excused. Also, present was Manager Bruce Halverson, and Executive Assistant Keri Scott

There were no members of the public present.

WELCOME TO VISITORS

MINUTES

Director Wilson made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2021, meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Sims and passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Director Sims made a motion to approve the financial report for the month ending July 31, 2021. The motion was seconded by Director Hickey and passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

MANAGER'S REPORT

River Levee Maintenance: Kennedy Jenks was able to get more information from the County on what they expect for the river levee maintenance application. They also got through to the Army Corp. and they do not need a permit from us. After explaining the situation to the Environmental Services Association, we are not required to have the wetlands mitigation study that was included in the required biological survey. That alone knocked off \$11,000 from the original ESA quote of \$24,205 for the additional engineering work that needs to be done. ESA will be onsite September 16th to begin the work.

River Gauge: The USGS confirmed that we can get out of the agreement if the data from the new river gauge doesn't work for DEQ. The Port of Nehalem voted to help fund it with us and USGS, on the condition that we can get out of the agreement if we need to.

Irrigation: We are still able to irrigate. The very dry summer has allowed us to put out more water than normal and with our irrigation now changed to the class D we have had no trouble meeting permit with no interruptions

Audit: Accuity was here on August 25th and it went well. They were impressed with the new "streamlining" of information that has made it easier for them to do what they need to. That credit goes to Keri and the work we have done to include technology in our administrative processes. They are

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planning on having the audit workshop this year, if covid allows, we will let you know the date as soon as it has been decided.

MANAGER'S REPORT continued

Agency Assistance: City of Garibaldi had a sewer backup today on Hwy 101. We sent down part our crew on our Vaccon to assist as we have done for them before.

BOARD COMMENTS

The October Regular Board Meeting will be 20th meeting will be at 1:00 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no members of the public present.

There being no further business, Chairman Handler adjourned the meeting at 1:10 pm

John Handler, Chairman

Bruce Halverson, Manager