

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

September 16, 2020 1:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Vice-Chairman John Handler, Director Jim Hickey, and Director David Wilson present in the conference room. Director Nicholson and Chairman Sims were excused.

Also present in the conference room was Manager Bruce Halverson, and Executive Assistant Keri Scott

There were no members of the public present.

MINUTES

Director Hickey made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 19, 2020. The motion was seconded by Director Wilson and passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Director Hickey made a motion to approve the financial report for the month ending July 31, 2020. The motion was seconded by Director Wilson and passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Director Wilson moved to continue the NBWA Covid-19 Relief Program and Director Hickey seconded the motion. The motion carried. The program is scheduled to be reviewed again at the October regular board meeting.

NBWA was awarded the grant from the Coronavirus Relief Fund to reimburse the cost of the wastewater testing through Biobot for one month.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Power Outage: We survived the recent power outage caused by the high winds without problem.

Meeting with DEQ and Kennedy Jenks: We met with DEQ, through a phone conference, to discuss changing the recycled water classification from a C classification to a D, and the installation of a river gauge closer to the treatment plant. If we do change the river gauge, we might need to do another mixing zone study, when the study was last done, decades ago, the cost was approximately \$50,000. DEQ has recommended placing it on the bridge, and we will need to consult with ODOT on the specifics. The lagoon management plan was also discussed with DEQ. We are not going to get fined for pumping into the river early last year. The plan that was suggested by DEQ is already in place and being conducted daily.

Levee Maintenance: We have decided that we will do the no net rise study so that we can move forward with the project. We have contacted the company that does the studies and plan on Hans Hadley doing it. The Port has offered to help pay for the study and Hans said Tillamook County has a project on McDonald Road that needs a study as well, so, he has suggested that we get an inner-government

agreement so that they can be completed at the same time. We will contact the County to work out the details.

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MANAGER'S REPORT (cont)

North Fork Road: We have not heard anything from the contractor on the damage to our line and if it has been repaired in full. We have requested that the line be TV'd to confirm the repairs. The contractor is not cooperating or responding to the requests from Nehalem City's engineer. The contractor is on a deadline to respond to the engineer before we can go ahead and complete the repairs ourselves.

A-Cell Dredging: We have asked Kennedy Jenks to start planning for A-cell to be dredged. Kennedy Jenks was able to keep the contract open with Fire Mountain Farms so that we can have them continue the work. Keeping the contract open will eliminate the bid process and therefore lower the cost to the agency. Fire Mountain Farms did a great job with B-cell. We are hoping to have A-cell dredged in the Summer of 2021. We do not see a need to dredge C-cell as it has never been a primary lagoon, so the sludge levels are not anywhere near A-cell or B-cell.

Adding Fields to Irrigate: I have written a letter to John Esplin about adding one of his fields to our recycled water reuse plan and the possibility of using the field for bio-solids when we dredge A-cell next Summer. There has been no response.

Audit: Accuity was here to complete their "virtual" audit. We did not receive any negative feedback.

BOARD COMMENTS

The next regular meeting will be October 21st at 1:00 pm. In-office and teleconference options will be available.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no members of the public present in the conference room or on the teleconference line.

There being no further business, Vice-Chairman Handler adjourned the meeting at 1:24 pm

John Handler, Vice-Chairman

Bruce Halverson, Manager

