

BOISE RIVER FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT #10

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY MAY 20, 2021

(COMBINED WEBEX AND IN PERSON FORMAT)

The Board meeting was called to order at 0905 am by Chairman Bill Clayton

ROLL CALL: Present at the Eagle Sewer District Office Conference room were Board Chairman Bill Clayton, Commissioner Bob Beede, District Manager Mike Dimmick, Asst. District Manager Erv Ballou and Dan Steenson with Sawtooth Law. Present online via WebEx were Commissioner Mitch Bicandi, Mike Schubert with HDR Engineering and Angelica Michaels with Engineering with a Mission. No one from the Public attended this meeting in either mode.

OLD BUSINESS: The Board reviewed meeting minutes from the 2/18, 2021 Board meeting. Commissioner Beede moved to approved the minutes as presented. Chairman Clayton seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the minutes from 2/18/2021 were approved.

The Board reviewed and discussed the Financial Report from October 2020 to May 11,2021. After discussion of Unrestricted Assets and Accounts Receivable, Commissioner Bicandi moved to approve the Financial Report as presented. Commissioner Beede seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the Financial Report was approved as presented. **NOTE: Mike Dimmick will follow up with Kathleen Roma on the Unrestricted Assets and Accounts Receivable for clarification prior to the July 15th Budget Workshop. We anticipate reimbursement for Grant project costs prior to the July workshop.**

CURRENT PROJECTS:

River and Dry Cr. Maintenance is complete for the entire District. We are still responding to some trees down in the channel if they are deemed to be hazard trees for the public. **The recent windy weather has dropped a lot of trees this Spring. This is an increasing part of our annual maintenance program which will**

increase our funding needs for maintenance over time. This will be on the agenda for discussion at our July workshop.

LEVEES: Strunk/Stillwell (Star Bridge South side upstream) maintenance has been completed and it is now back in "ACTIVE" status with Walla Wall Corps of Engineers. This means that if a flood event causes damage to the levee, the Corps will pay for repairs to bring it back to the "as built" status. (10,000 cfs. 1950s)

Mike Dimmick met with ACOE on 5/18/2021 and inspected Cromwell and Fairgrounds levees. They are minimally acceptable due to vegetation and animal burrows. We have no plans at this time to do any work on those levees. As minimally acceptable, they still qualify for repair support when/if needed. **Mink levee (below State Park entry) is inactive for many reasons, and we have no plans to spend funds/time reactivate it.**

BANK REPAIRS:

PENDING: XL Ranch, Pioneer Irrigation Co.

NEW REQUESTS: We have been contacted by property owners for assistance on bank repairs for:

Eagle Island State Park (2) sites – North and South channels

Banbury GC/Creighton Woods subdivision – large repair – may apply for a Grant

Mike Adcox – bank repair across from Duck Alley downstream

South Channel behind Sunroc/IMC – Ada County has the lead on this one. It is a large bank repair – we removed hazard trees prior to the river levels coming up to support the smolt flush in the Columbia River. FCD #10 will be an Operational Advisor to Ada County on this project.

DEVELOPMENTS:

Star River Ranch access is complete. This is a cooperative effort with Tim Eck (developer) and FCD10 and IDFG. The access is controlled by an electronic gate on a timer and provides access to FCD10 and the public during certain hours. It is locked automatically at night to limit access to the party crowd. We worked with Mr. Eck to better align the access road for FCD10 and the developer.

We have provided input to the City of Star for a large development (Park River Subdivision) planned upstream of Star on the north side of the river at the end of Blessinger Ln. The City of Star has approved the application. Neighbors are concerned with failure of compliance with City and County regulations and requirements. FCD #10 submitted a letter to the Star City Council and Erv Ballou attended the Application Hearing. We expressed our normal concerns of building next to the floodway and future access for river maintenance. We were not contacted by the City of Star with notice of this development, but were notified by adjacent property owners. Mike Dimmick has requested Shawn Nickel, City Planning and Zoning Administrator with the City of Star, notify FCD #10 of any developments in the floodplain so we can provide input to flood mitigation if needed.

CURRENT GRANTS: Eagle Rd Bridge upper section is complete. We are invoicing the City of Eagle for \$25,000 for Matching funds. We are also invoicing IDWR for \$47,500 for the Flood Mitigation Grant portion of this project.

Canyon Reach I is delayed until this fall/winter due to delays in permitting from IDWR. I will be using some of the gravel from this project to trade for rip rap rock for bank repair projects in order to keep costs down. NOTE: rip rap rock is now going for \$85 + per cubic yard due to landscaping for new construction demand.

2-D BRMT – I am working on a letter of Work-in Kind credit to ACOE on the 2-D model/Lidar project. ACOE is finalizing our last review team edits and we should have the final product in-hand by July 1. They owe us some maps and assistance in roll-out and training and the required Comprehensive Plan final. We will invoice IDWR for their \$160,000 Grant portion of this project as has been shown in the Budget report. The DRAFT version is in use in a limited way with glowing reports.

NEW GRANT APPLICATIONS:

Lower Boise Watershed Council (LBWC) – River mapping

Banbury GC/Creighton Woods bank repair - possibly

INTERAGENCY COORDINATION:

Mike Dimmick has been in discussions with both Aaron Golart (IDWR) and Marve Griffith (ACOE) on our river maintenance permit applications. In these

discussions, Marve has expressed interest in combining and lengthening some of our permits. He especially expressed interest in our Gravel Management program going forward. He is very supportive in giving us permits for multiple bank repairs over several years as long as they fit within a pre-approved allowance. Anything that would be needed outside that standard permit would be documented with the details and addressed accordingly. This is real progress if we can bring it about.

We will be working to develop and schedule the roll out and training for the 2-D BRMT. Marve Griffith is very interested in joining us with sponsoring the Interagency meeting so as to address development in the valley. We would invite cities, counties and developers to hear the straight scoop in developing in the flood plain and what/why it takes to comply with impacted agencies. Stay tuned.

50TH ANNIVERSARY:

Steve Stuebner has done a great job with the 50th Anniversary articles – see the handout. We thank Steve for an outstanding job on this project. We will be looking at having Steve do some follow up with the river projects and the 2-D model once we have it activated. We will also consider updating the Boise River Flood Control District #10 Brochure from several years ago. This will be an agenda item for our Budget Workshop on July 15th.

OTHER TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:

The Board has questions as to the effect of the new property tax legislation on our funding going forward. We will examine the new legislation and have further discussion at our July 15th Budget Workshop. Dan Steenson forwarded copies of this legislation to the Board and staff.

Mike Dimmick requested the Board approve additional funds for Property Owner assistance with bank repairs and Grant Application preparation that may be needed prior to our Budget Hearing in August. After discussion by the Board, Commissioner Beede moved to approve \$20,000 for Property Owner Assistance and Grant Application preparation. Commissioner Bicandi seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion to approve the funds was passed. These funds will be moved from the reserve account to specific budget line items.

Commissioner Bicandi mentioned a conversation he had with Flip Phillips in February in reference to the status of the Star property where FCD #10 has stored rip rap. FCD #10 has exhausted the usable rip rap on this site. Mr. Phillips wants to know what FCD #10 intends to do for rehab to this property. He has stated that this property is owned by the Canyon County Ditch Co. in the past and has expressed a desire to see the site rehab plan. Mike Dimmick has done research and has not found any rehab site plan, nor any reference to one by personnel or in any records of any agreements pertaining to the use of this property. Mike will gather more information on this topic for presentation to the FCD #10 Board at our July 15th Workshop.

The next scheduled meeting is the Budget Workshop meeting on July 15, 2021. Board Chairman Clayton has offered his residence deck as a site for that meeting. We will select and post the location prior to that meeting.

With no further discussion, Commissioner Beede moved to adjourn.

Commissioner Bicandi seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 11:10 am.

THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE BOARD ON July 15, 2021