

BOISE RIVER FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT #10 BOARD MEETING MINUTES MARCH 17, 2022

The Board meeting was called to order at 0915 am. Present were Chairman Bill Clayton, Commissioner Bob Beede, Commissioner Mitch Bicandi, District Manager Mike Dimmick, Assistant District Manager Ervin Ballou, Accountant Kathleen Roma, Sawtooth Law Legal Counsel Dan Steenson, Steve Stuebner, Tris Yerrington, Art Butts, and Troy Pearse

OLD BUSINESS:

The Board reviewed the minutes from the November 18, 2021 Board Meeting. Commissioner Bicandi moved to approved the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Beede. The minutes for the November 18, 2021 Board Meeting meeting were approved as presented.

The Board reviewed the financial statements for the previous two years and the current finances for October 1, 2021 – March 13, 2022, presented by Kathleen Roma, District Accounting Contractor. Commissioner Bicandi moved to approve the financial reports, seconded by Commissioner Beede. The Financial reports were approved as presented.

Mike Dimmick presented a quick update on river maintenance activity. The maintenance work has now been completed for the 2021/2022 winter season. Once again, the river maintenance was completed for the entire Flood District #10 reach from Garden City to the west end of the District, near I-84 in Caldwell. A request to renew the current River Maintenance permit has been submitted to ACOE and IDWR for their review. The permitting agencies have asked for a new application for a Channel Alteration Permit to cover our river maintenance work. Mike Dimmick will request a joint meeting with both agencies in the spring of 2022 to work out details on a new river maintenance permit. The Board requested Mike Dimmick develop an Executive Summary prior to this meeting in order to bring the Board up to date on any issues with permit applications.

The Adcox and Clayton bank repairs have been completed. The Canyon Reach I gravel removal project has been 50% completed. The removed gravel has been temporarily stockpiled and will be hauled to construction sites away from the river by Lurre Construction. Mike Dimmick will be completing the Idaho Department of Lands (IDL) Royalty Form for payment due IDL to date. Lurre Construction will pay the royalties due at this time. The remaining gravel removal and bank repair work will resume in November through the winter months while flows are lowest.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mike Dimmick asked the Board and staff to provide feedback on the comprehensive District Manager Position Description, the Administrative Handbook and the Operations Guide. This is a work in progress effort and input is very welcome.

The FCD 10 Steering Committee met to begin addressing issues brought up in May of 2021 including the 5 yr. Strategic Plan update; Future personnel replacements for the Board and Staff and Grant programs to support future projects. Due to an increase in funding opportunities for water projects, the Committee had tabled the 5 yr. Strategic Plan to the November 2022 Board meeting. Mike Dimmick is working with Ada County Emergency Management to update the District's portion of the Ada County Hazard Mitigation Plan. This Plan, when approved by FEMA, will be adopted by the District Board and become part of the District 5 yr. Strategic Plan.

The focus of the District Steering Committee will now be on exploring funding for river projects that exceed our normal annual budget. We will be looking at major funding for complex projects. We will be working to garner stakeholder support funds to help meet Grant matching fund requirements. Dan Steenson has been working with the Governor's office to pave the way for Flood Mitigation funds for future projects and gave a presentation on the status of various funds becoming available for agencies and groups via Grants. These funds are a combination of both State Surplus, ARPA and Infrastructure Bill funds. The Committee will work with Dan to support our applications as needed. The Board is very interested in pursuing these funds for major projects going forward over several years.

Mike Dimmick introduced Art Butts, Southwest Area Fisheries Manager for Idaho Department of Fish and Game and Troy Pearse, Conservation Director for Boise Valley Fly Fishers. Art and Troy thanked the Flood District for our support and work in enhancing the spawning habitat in the Boise River. They presented a nice plaque to the Board and Staff recognizing the District's efforts. The Board thanked Art and Troy for the recognition and said that the District would continue to work with them on river projects going forward. Art Butts and Mike Dimmick are working together on an interagency project/bank repair on the South Channel next to the Eagle State Park. This project involves the City of Boise, Eagle State Park, Flood District #10, HDR Engineering and 7 Suckers Irrigation Company. This project includes a bank repair, fish habitat enhancement, irrigation diversion improvement and flood mitigation channeling. District Brochure: After Board discussion, the Board feels that the draft brochure presented by Steve Stuebner needs to contain references/links to other agencies and outline our history and growth. Mike will work with Steve to do editing on the draft.

Steve Stuebner and Mike Dimmick have researched website management companies and have selected Boise Web to take over our website management. The Boise Web will be a better site and easier access while being considerably less costly than our current provider. The Board approved this move and directed Steve and Mike to move forward with this change.

Dan Steenson continues to work to change our current recruitment limitations to allow the district to reach out within our entire District boundary for experienced and willing people to serve on our Board when vacancies arise.

Mike Dimmick introduced Tris Yerrington. Tris attended the Board meeting to get a brief feel for what the District does in it's role in Flood Mitigation. Tris has submitted a resume to be considered for filling the vacancy behind Commissioner Beebe, who is retiring from the FCD #10 Board.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no public attendees.

SPECIAL SESSION: Chairman Clayton moved to close the Regular Board meeting, seconded by Commissioner Beede. The Regular Board meeting was closed. Commissioner Beebe moved to open the SPECIAL SESSION, seconded by Commissioner Bicandi. The Board discussed personnel matters. Chairman Clayton moved to close the SPECIAL SESSION, seconded by Commissioner Beede. The SPECIAL SESSION was closed. Commissioner Beede moved to open the Regular Meeting again, seconded by Chairman Clayton. The Regular meeting was reopened.

Chairman Clayton moved to send a letter recommending Tris Yerrington replace Bob Beebe as Commissioner on the Boise River Flood Control #10 Board. The move was seconded by Commissioner Bicandi. All Board members voted "aye". The motion was approved unanimously. Mike Dimmick will send a letter with this recommendation to the Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources, under Chairman Clayton's signature.

No further agenda items were introduced. Commissioner Bicandi moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Beede. **Meeting adjourned at 11:40. The next scheduled meeting is May 19,2022 unless changed prior.**

These minutes were approved by the Board on 5/19/2022.