

**DEER CREEK IRRIGATION DISTRICT MINUTES OF THE
May 6th, 2024 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

PLACE: Vina Elementary School Auditorium, 4790 D Street, Vina, CA 96092

TIME: 5:00 P.M.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Jeff Rabo, Linda Pitter, Jake Thompson, Doug Amato and Patrick Johnson

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by Board President Jeff Rabo at 5:08PM. Pledge of Allegiance followed immediately after call to order. Secretary, Jennifer Salisbury, recorded the minutes. With no corrections to be made to the agenda, Director Pitter moved that the agenda be approved as is. Director Johnson seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Melvin Quezada attended the meeting to present his concerns to the Board.

-END OF PUBLIC COMMENT-

Director Pitter read the minutes from the regularly scheduled April 15th, 2024 board meeting. Director Thompson moved to approve the minutes as amended. Director Johnson seconded. A vote was unanimous to approve the minutes as amended.

Treasurer Ellen Stephens presented the following invoices for the period of April 1st, 2024, through May 6th, 2024.

ACH PAYMENTS

1. QuickBooks, online bookkeeping subscription, \$60.00
2. Allevity payroll for 4.8.24 - 4.21.24, \$2,138.73
3. ClockShark time clock service, \$48.00

CHECKS SIGNED:

4. #792 Downey Brand, legal services through March 31, 2024, \$2376.00
5. #794 Ellen Stephens, safety equipment and PPE purchase reimbursement, \$519.46
6. #795 Mark Boggs, May phone allowance, April mileage reimbursement and quad rental, \$745.78
7. #796 Hunt Propane, replacement check for voided check #790, corrected balance, \$511.74 (The payment submitted last month had included an invoice that was not ours).
8. #797 Mark Boggs, additional mileage for May 3rd, 2024-April 4th, 2024, \$10.72

Check #793 for Jeff Rabo was actually a credit card purchase RTIC water jug purchase reimbursement, \$117.93. The check will be voided.

Treasurer Stephens provided the bank statement for April 12th, 2024 and the corresponding reconciliation report. Treasurer Stephens reported that the bank balance as of May 6th, 2024 was \$172,494.57, however once all the checks clear the balance will be \$164,484.17.

REPORTS

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer completed and submitted the 2023 State Controller's Government Compensation Report.

IRRIGATION REPORT

Mark Boggs presented the irrigation report during the meeting. He mentioned that for emergency preparedness, he carries one emergency first aid kit with him and keeps another in the shed. The two repairs on Phil Sunseri's ditch used 42 bags of concrete.

Mark is actively involved in maintenance tasks, specifically focusing on replacing tarps and broken boards. Additionally, he has purchased a new blower to replace the old one that had ceased functioning.

A safety meeting was conducted on May 1, 2024, ensuring ongoing compliance with safety protocols and fostering a safe working environment.

OLD BUSINESS

CDFW Letter of Recommended Flow - During the meeting, the Board thoroughly reviewed and discussed a draft response letter from the District addressed to the State Water Board. This response was crafted to counter the claims made by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) in their recommended flows letter to the Water Board. The Board considered various points of disagreement and areas where the District's data did not align with CDFW's assertions.

Additionally, the Board acknowledged the interest from Stanford Vina in collaborating with the Department of Water Resources (DWR). However, it was noted that the current water flows from our district were too insignificant to provide any substantial value to the DWR's operations or research efforts.

Jeff provided a summary of the discussions held at the DWR workshop, which took place from April 24 to April 26, 2024. He highlighted key topics and insights gained during the sessions, emphasizing how these might influence the District's strategic responses and future water management strategies.

By-Laws – The board reviewed and discussed status of draft by-laws and sections needing further review or constituency outreach. A draft is predicted to be available at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

EDD Quarterly Reimbursement – The board reviewed and approved the received Statement of Reimbursable Benefit Charges (DE 428R). The Treasurer prepared check #799 for \$5136.00 for the current quarter.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT at 8:11 pm