

**DEER CREEK IRRIGATION DISTRICT MINUTES OF THE  
APRIL 3, 2023 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, Patrick Johnson, Jake Thompson, Doug Amato

The meeting was called to order by Board President Jeff Rabo at 5:07 PM. Treasurer Ellen Stephens 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. Director Pitter read the minutes from the March, 20, 2023 regularly scheduled meeting. Director Pitter moved to approve the minutes as amended. Director Thompson seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous to approve the minutes.

Treasurer Ellen Stephens presented the following invoices for the period of March 21, 2023 through April 3, 2023:

1. Melvin Quezada for monthly phone allowance - \$100.00
2. Allevity for payroll for March 13-March 26 - \$1,615.31
3. QuickBooks monthly subscription - \$55.00
4. Downey Brand for legal services - \$3,806.50

Ellen presented the Treasurer's Report for the Board. The current register balance is \$170,107.15. It was determined that she will also start to post the reconciliation report with the approved minutes on the website each month.

President Rabo provided the Irrigation Report. Stock water is being delivered as needed. Frost water protection is available but due to recent rains, not much has been requested. Discussion followed regarding when to re-open Ruble Dam diversion into the District. President Rabo will inquire with California Fish and Wildlife to get the paddle wheel reinstalled. Melvin completed reinforcement of the ditch near Reed Orchard Road, and will place concrete this week. Christy Norton will provide a hose for water. Melvin estimates that he will need 50 bags of concrete to complete the repair and Cevin may be available to help. Discussion followed.

Treasurer Ellen Stephens presented the first quarter Profit and Loss Statement, and provided a comparison to the 2023 budget. Discussion followed.

The topic of District Credit Card was continued. Director Pitter presented her conversation with Umpqua Bank and that they stated the District could obtain a debit card without tying it to one person. Discussion followed regarding potential accounts with banks other than Tri-Counties. It was determined that Treasurer Stephens will inquire further with Tri-Counties about credit cards and debit cards before the Board makes any decisions.

District Voting and Landowner Representation was further discussed from the last few meetings. Secretary Mullen sent out letters to every landowner in the District. A reminder email will be sent in about a week with a copy of the survey attached. The intention is to have physical copies returned by the first meeting in May.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Director Amato, on behalf of Mike Chambers, reported that he is not in favor of any rate hikes.

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT at 7:44 PM.**