

## Deer Creek Irrigation District Meeting Minutes

The Deer Creek Irrigation District Meeting was held on Monday, February 11, 2019, at the Vina Women's Club. Those present were Directors John Edson, Keith Bentz, Sue Knox, Phil Sunseri and Jessica Gullick. Also present were Secretary/Treasurer Susan Edson, Jake and Laura Thompson, Dee Jennings, Larry Roenspie, Scott and Ellen Stephens, Viets, John and Linda Pitter, Grant Leininger, Amber Wolverton, Jeff Rabo, John Peterson, Mike Bolen, Mitch Cawford, Bill Hobson and districts attorney Rebecca Smith.

A discussion was held regarding DCID hiring a general manager. Attorney Rebecca Smith will send the parameters to the board for this position.

There was a discussion regarding DCID's water rights. DCID is currently reporting their uses correctly. There was also a further discussion of water measuring in the district which is required by the State Water Control Board. President John Edson reported that David's Engineering would prepare a plan for the placement of weirs in the district for a cost of \$10,000.

John and Linda Pitter volunteered to attend a class at CSUChico learning about water measuring using a Parshall flume.

A motion by Director Bentz and seconded by Director Knox to form a committee to determine water measurement and reporting strategies. The committee includes Jeff Rabo, Phil Sunseri and John Edson.

A motion was made by Director Sunseri and seconded by Director Knox to accept the MOU that was presented to the board by the Deer Creek Watershed Conservancy.

Attorney Rebecca Smith reported that Jessica Gullick would be stepping off the DCID and thanked her for her services.

Tax collector Jeff Rabo stated that after looking over the district maps that the district's boundaries may be inaccurate..

A motion was made by Director Sunseri and seconded by Director Bentz to have the district hire a payroll company.

There was discussion about Grant Leininger's proposal to have his land removed from the district. No action was taken.

With there being no further business before the board the meeting was adjourned.

Susan Edson, Secretary

John Edson, President

Keith Bentz, Director

Sue Knox, Director

Phil Sunseri, Director

## Deer Creek Irrigation District Meeting Minutes

The Deer Creek Irrigation District meeting was held on March 25, 2019 at the Vina Women's Club. Those present were President John Edson, Directors Sue Knox and Phil Sunseri. Also present were secretary/treasurer Susan Edson, John and Linda Pitter, Jeff Rabo, Bob Viets and attorney for the district Rebecca Smith. Absent was Director Keith Bentz.

Secretary Susan Edson read the minutes from the last meeting. A motion was made by Director Knox and seconded by Director Sunseri to approve the minutes as read. Secretary/Treasurer Susan Edson then gave the treasurers report. The district has \$229,682.83 in the checking account.

Jeff Rabo announced that the Deer Creek Watershed Conservancy has tentatively scheduled a mixer at Lassen Steak House on April 10, 2019. In other open meeting comments John and Linda Pitter reported that the class they had volunteered to attend at CSU Chico was not the correct one. They will be attending the correct class at Shasta College in April.

A motion was made by Director Sunseri and seconded by Director Knox that the district budget \$15,000 for the purchase of data loggers for recording water measurement. Motion carried.

A discussion was held to prioritize repairs to the district ditches.

Attorney Rebecca Smith presented a resolution to the board finding that a hardship exists related to the establishment and maintenance of a district website. A motion was made by Director Knox and seconded by Director Sunseri to accept the resolution. Motion carried.

With their being no further business before the board the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be April 8, 2019.

Susan Edson, Secretary

John Edson, President

Sue Knox, Director

Phil Sunseri, Director

DCID Board Meeting  
May 13, 2019 5:30 PM

Board members present: Keith Barty, Sue Knox,

Phil Surreri, & Linda Pitter

other attendees: Scott & Ellen Stevens, Mike Stevens,  
Jeff Rabo, & John Pitter

Phil Surreri reported the <sup>expense estimate for the</sup> ditch repair project Ryan Edson has been preparing should be ready for review by May 28. A special meeting was set for that date at 5:30pm.

Jeff Rabo reported on other areas of the main ditch in need of serious repair. Possible fixes and how to prioritize these areas was discussed.

Mike Stevens is having the <sup>Conservation</sup> cons into clean ditches as soon as possible.

Minutes taken by Linda Pitter

## Deer Creek Irrigation District Meeting

The Deer Creek Irrigation District meeting was held on May 28, 2019, at the Vina Women's Club. Those present were President John Edson, Directors Keith Bentz, Sue Knox and Linda Pitter. Absent was Director Phil Sunseri. Also present were Secretary/Treasurer Susan Edson, district's attorney Rebecca Smith, Bob Viets, Jeff Sousa, Matt Clifford and Jeff Rabo.

The minutes of the May 13, 2019 were read by Linda Pitter.

Director Pitter reported that she had contacted the manager of JJB Farms and he stated that they were fine with us doing the necessary repairs on the ditch except during harvest.

Landowner Bob Viets questioned how the water is measured in the district.

Matt Clifford and Jeff Sousa explained the resolution of the fish passage project. A motion was made by Director Know to accept the mitigated DCID Fish Passage Project and seconded by Director Bentz. The motion was unanimous.

With there being no further business before the board the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be June 10, 2019.

Susan Edson, Secretary

John Edson, President

Keith Bentz, Director

Sue Knox, Director

Linda Pitter, Director

## Deer Creek Irrigation District Meeting Minutes

The Deer Creek Irrigation District meeting was held on June 10, 2019 at the Vina Women's Club. Those present were President John Edson, Directors Keith Bentz, Sue Knox, Linda Pitter and Phil Sunseri. Also present were Secretary/Treasurer Susan Edson, Rebecca Smith, Jeff Rabo, Mike Stephens, Bob Viets and Scott Stevens.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read. Susan Edson gave the treasurers report. The district has \$245,915.41 in the district checking account.

A budget subcommittee was established. Those members are Keith Bentz, Linda Pitter, Jeff Rabo and Bob Viets.

Director Pitter will be measuring water depth in inches at the Y daily if possible.

Director Phil Sunseri gave a facilities report. A motion by Phil Sunseri to approve M. Peacher Construction contract for \$40,000.00 and prioritize repairs and finish by January 1, 2020. The motion was seconded by Director Bentz. Motion passed unanimously

A discussion was held regarding establishing a district office.

A motion was made by Director Knox to hire Roy Seiler, CPA to perform the district audit. The motion was seconded by Director Pitter. Motion passed unanimously.

With there being no further business before the board the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be July 8, 2019.

Susan Edson, Secretary

John Edson, President

Keith Bentz, Director

Sue Knox, Director

Linda Pitter, Director

Phil Sunseri, Director



## Deer Creek Irrigation District Meeting

The Deer Creek Irrigation District meeting was held on August 12, 2019 at the Vina Women's Club. Those present were President John Edson, Directors Sue Knox, Linda Pitter and Phil Sunseri. Absent was Director Keith Bentz. Also present were Secretary/Treasurer Susan Edson, Matt Clifford, Brent Wolfe, Bob Viets, John Peterson, Bill Hobson, D.C. Felcinco, Mike Bolen, Mike Stephens, Ben Cook, Ryan Edson, Jeff Rabo, Jessica Gullick, John Pitter, and Rebecca Smith the water districts attorney.

Secretary/Treasurer Susan Edson gave the district treasurers report. There is \$228,891.13 in the district checking account.

Linda Pitter read the minutes from the July meeting. A motion was made by Director Knox to approve the minutes as read. It was seconded by President John Edson.

During the open meeting comments Landowner Bob Viets presented a water income proposal for the board's consideration. The board asked the district's attorney to agendize possible water sales by the district for the next meeting.

Director Pitter was going to give to President Edson her water measurements from the Parshall Flume at the "Y".

Ryan Edson of M. Peacher Construction reported that they would begin the work contracted by the district in November.

Director Sunseri made the motion to accept the Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement and operating agreement with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. Motion was seconded by Director Knox. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Director Sunseri and seconded by Director Pitter to approve the implementation agreement with Trout Unlimited. Motion carried.

Attorney Rebecca Smith informed the board that it would be conducting its own election for the upcoming director positions of John Edson, Linda Pitter and Phil Sunseri. The paperwork for the positions must be submitted to Secretary Susan Edson by September 6.

With there being no further business before the board the meeting was adjourned.

Susan Edson, Secretary

John Edson, President

Sue Knox, Director

Linda Pitter, Director

Phil Sunseri, Director

**DEER CREEK IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 9, 2019  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING**

**DATE:** Monday, September 9, 2019

**TIME:** 5:30 P.M.

**PLACE:** Vina Woman's Club, 4740 Rowles Road, Vina, CA 96092

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:** John Edson; Sue Knox; Linda Pitter; Phil Sunseri; Keith Bentz

**The meeting was called to order by Board President John Edson at 5:35 pm.**

**Public Comments:**

Ellen Stephens (public) presented an invoice for work on the Deer Creek Irrigation District website, and requested feedback from the Board of Directors regarding materials for inclusion on the website. Ellen Stephens further requested a discussion of the District's bylaws at the next District meeting.

Jeff Rabo (public) requested that a review and approval of the District's budget be added to the next agenda.

**Consent Items:**

The minutes of the August 2019 meeting and financial report were presented by Director Edson. The consent items were approved by a motion by Director Knox, seconded by Director Pitter, and passed unanimously.

**District Water Right & Discussion of Water Sales:**

Attorney Rebecca Smith provided an overview of the District's water right. Bob Viets (public) requested that the Board of Directors consider future sales of conserved water. Director Bentz moved to authorize a subcommittee of Directors to explore possible voluntary water sales, which would be subject to consideration and review by the Board of Directors prior to any action. The motion was seconded by Director Pitter, and approved by a vote of 4 (Bentz, Pitter, Sunseri, Edson) to 1 (Knox).

Director Edson proposed that the District obtain measurements of diversion at each diversion site in the District. A proposal related to water measurement is expected to be presented at the next regular Board meeting.

**District Facilities:**

Director Sunseri gave a review of the current status of repairs. Additional repairs are targeted for November, to avoid interference with irrigation flows.

**Deer Creek Fish Passage MOU:**

Attorney Smith presented the revised MOU. The agreement was approved on a motion by Director Bentz, seconded by Director Sunseri, and unanimously approved.

**There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.**

**California Irrigation District Law**  
**Water Code §21100: Director Tenure & Qualifications**

(a) Each director, except as otherwise provided in this division, shall be a voter and a landowner in the district and a resident of the division that he or she represents at the time of his or her nomination or appointment and through his or her entire term, except in the case of the director elected at a formation election. A director elected at a formation election shall be a resident, landowner, and voter in the proposed district at the time of his or her nomination and a resident of the division that he or she represents during his or her entire term.

(b) In any district having no more than 15 landowners who are voters in the district, a person need not be a voter but shall be qualified to be a director of the district if he or she is a landowner of the district at the time of his or her nomination or appointment and during his or her entire term.

[subdivisions (c) & (d), related to urban water management plans and districts providing electricity, are omitted here for length]

**Amendment Text for Discussion:**

Notwithstanding the provisions of Water Code §21100, a director in the Deer Creek Irrigation District shall be qualified so long as he or she is a landowner or the legal representative of a landowner in the District.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Water Code §20527, for the purposes of Deer Creek Irrigation District a "voter" includes landowners or the legal representatives of landowners within the District.

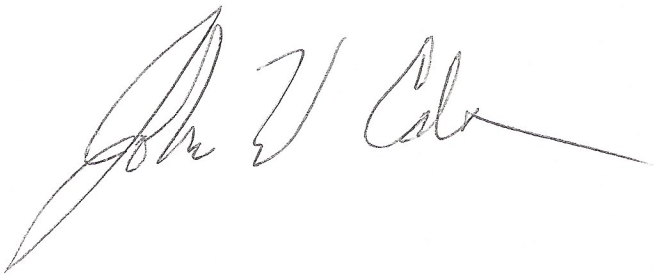
## Deer Creek Irrigation District Meeting

The Deer Creek Irrigation District Special Budget Meeting was held on September 23, 2019 At the Vina Women's Club. Those present were President John Edson, Directors Keith Bentz, Sue Knox, and Linda Pitter. Also present were Secretary/Treasurer Susan Edson, Jeff Rabo, John Pitter, and Robert Viets. Absent was director Phil Sunseri.

A discussion was held regarding completing a budget for DCID for the upcoming 2020 fiscal year.

President Edson reported that he and Robert Viets would be meeting with Matt Clifford from Trout Unlimited regarding the possibility of obtaining a grant for water measuring and updating the districts water delivery system.

With there being no further business before the board a motion was made by Director Knox and seconded by Director Bentz to adjourn the meeting.



John Edson, President





Susan Edson, Secretary



Sue Knox, Director

Keith Bentz, Director

Linda Pitter, Director

## Deer Creek Irrigation District Meeting Minutes

The Deer Creek Irrigation District meeting was held on Monday, October 14, 2019, at the Vina Women's Club. Those present were President John Edson, Directors Keith Bentz, Sue Knox, Linda Pitter and Phil Sunseri. Also present were Secretary/Treasurer Susan Edson, district's attorney Rebecca Smith, John Pitter, and Robert Viets.

Secretary/Treasurer Susan Edson gave the district's treasurers report. The district currently has \$201,021.76 in their checking account.

A motion was made by Director Knox and seconded by Director Sunseri to approve the minutes as read for the September board meeting. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Director Bentz and seconded by Director Knox to approve the minutes for the special board meeting held on September 23, 2019. The motion carried.

A discussion was held regarding the district's website and what should be included on the website.

President Edson and Robert Viets reported on their meeting in Emeryville with Trout Unlimited regarding possible grant monies to make repairs to the ditches within the district. Director Edson reported the possibility of using 900 feet 36 inch pipe for the north ditch. The district has currently allocated \$70,000 for repairs in the district. Immediate repairs are needed to the ditch across from the Pitter Ranch.

The district has been unable to find a person to spray the district ditches. John Pitter volunteered to contact Tehama County Ag commissioner to see if the county would be able to perform that service.

A discussion was held regarding installing a data logger and a Rubicon Control System for measuring water.

Attorney Smith was going to contact Senator Jim Nielsen's office regarding the requirements for changing the district's board qualifications for landowners or their representatives to hold positions on the board and to be able to vote. There would be a resolution for changing the requirements at the November Board Meeting.

With there being no further business before the board the meeting was adjourned. The next schedule meeting will be November 18, 2019.

Susan Edson, Secretary

John Edson, President

Keith Bentz, Director

Sue Knox, Director

Linda Pitter, Director

Phil Sunseri, Director

Deer Creek Irrigation District

Minutes of the November 18, 2019

Board of Directors Meeting

The Deer Creek Irrigation District board meeting was held on November 18, 2019 at the Vina Women's Club. Those present were President John Edson, Directors Keith Bentz, Sue Knox, Linda Pitter and Phil Sunseri. Also present were Secretary/Treasurer Susan Edson, districts attorney Rebecca Smith, John Pitter, Mike Stephens, and Jeff Rabo.

A motion was made by Phil Sunseri and seconded by Sue Knox to approve the minutes of the October meeting as read. Motion carried.

Secretary/Treasurer gave the districts balance as \$197,569.00.

President John Edson reported that the district is still waiting for information regarding spraying the district ditches.

The ditch repairs needed across from the Pitter Ranch are going to be the districts first priority.

Districts attorney Rebecca Smith reported on the progress of the districts changing the board qualifications. The district is currently considering changing the board member requirements from having to live in the district to all land owners or their legal representatives.

It was suggest by attorney Smith that the district form a subcommittee to update the district's 1927 by laws.

Attorney Smith also reported on the resolution by Grant and Meghan Leininger asking to have their land removed from the Deer Creek Irrigation District tax rolls because the district does not provide services to them. They currently pay the \$30.00/acre standby charge.

Director Sunseri will coordinate with Ryan Edson of M. Peacher Construction to start the work they contracted for the district. The first starting point will be at



the cemetery and the Roenspie property. Director Sunseri also stated he would contact his employee who would oversee the work for the district.

President Edson reported that the first measuring device will be at the "Y". A discussion was held on the amount of water the district was required to provide to Sheep Camp Ditch.

With there being no further business before the board Director Knox motioned that the meeting adjourn. The motion was seconded by Director Sunseri. The next meeting will be December 9, 2019.

Susan Edson, Secretary

John Edson, President

Keith Bentz, Director

Sue Knox, Director

Linda Pitter, Director

Phil Sunseri, Director

Deer Creek Irrigation District  
Minutes of the December 9, 2019

Board of Directors Meeting

The Deer Creek Irrigation District board meeting was held on December 9, 2019 at the Vina Women's Club. Those present were President John Edson, Directors Keith Bentz, Sue Knox, Linda Pitter and Phil Sunseri. Also present were Secretary/Treasurer Susan Edson, district's attorney Rebecca Smith, John Pitter and Jeff Rabo.

A motion was made by Phil Sunseri and seconded by Sue Knox to accept the minutes as read. Motion carried.

Secretary/Treasurer Susan Edson gave the districts balance of \$186,183.62.

President John Edson presented a preliminary budget for 2020 to the board members. A discussion of the budget will be held at the next meeting. President Edson said that he would be meeting with two potential people to do the spraying for the district on Thursday.

A discussion was held regarding the amount of water that is to be diverted to the Sheep Camp ditch. Director Knox reported that the decree stated the correct water allotment for Sheep Camp ditch is 10 minor inches and never to go over 80 minor inches. The water measurement for the district is in real time.

Director Sunseri gave an updated status report on the repairs that need to be made in the district. He said that his employee Mike Shields will clerk the project for the ditch repairs and that Ryan Edson of M. Peacher construction will write the job sheets. This work is being done based on time and material. President Edson stated that the pipe size used for the district repairs will be 36 inches with 36 inch head gates.

District's attorney Rebecca Smith reported on the status of changing the districts requirements for being a board member. She suggested that it

would be helpful if the district had a petition from the landowners requesting removing the director's requirements.

There were three applications for the three open board positions. They were from incumbents Linda Pitter, Phil Sunseri and Jeff Rabo. There is an ongoing question stemming from the 1970's as to whether or not Mr. Rabo's house is located within the district boundaries. Attorney Smith recommended that the board not take action to seat Mr. Rabo until it could be substantiated that his house is located within the district boundaries or the state approves the District's request for a change in Districts the by-laws. There was no action taken to change the current makeup of the board.

With there being no further business before the board Director Knox motioned that the meeting adjourn. The motion was seconded by Director Pitter.

Susan Edson, Secretary

John Edson, President

Keith Bentz, Director

Sue Knox, Director

Linda Pitter, Director

Phil Sunseri, Director