

The Board of Directors for the Roza Irrigation District convened in regular session on Tuesday June 6, 2023. Present were Vice-President Jim Willard, Director Tanner Winckler, Director Jason Sheehan, Director Jason Don, and District Manager Scott Revell. Engineering Manager Wayne Sonnichsen, Watermaster Dave Rollinger, Assistant Watermaster Aaron Wiederspohn, Maintenance Superintendent Dave Clappitt and Assessment Clerk/Assistant Secretary Kristel Espinoza.

Via telephone conference: District Attorney Brian Iller.

The President called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. and requested the Board consider the consent agenda as presented:

- a. Minutes of May 9th, 2023, Regular Board meeting.
- b. Status of Investments Report – May 31, 2023.
- c. Treasurer’s Report– May 31, 2023.
- d. Claims.

The following claims are approved for payment: Payroll numbers 29666 - 29667 in the amount of \$417.88. Voucher numbers 68672 – 68684, 68745 – 68774, 68775, 68776 – 68844 and 68845 – 68911 in the amount of \$1,618,785.25 and electronic payments in the amount of \$305,792.64 from the period of May 1, 2023, to June 6, 2023.

District Manager Revell requested to modify agenda and add “Water supply update and revised operation plan”. Mr. Willard moved, seconded by Mr. Winckler, and unanimously approved amending the agenda and added “Water supply update and revised operation plan”.

District Manger Revell discussed the water supply being at 77%, down from 86% in May, followed by Engineering Manager Sonnichsen reviewing the revised 70% and 77% drought operation plans and proration scenarios.

District Manager Revell updated the Board on the drain maintenance the district has been in the process of clearing out in recent years. Very good progress has been made in many locations, clearing out weeds, brush and trees that need to be removed. Mr. Revell noted the purchase of the excavator mounted mulcher has expedited the work and the district is simultaneously attempting to keep up with maintenance where trees and brush have been removed so that they do not become overgrown.

District Manager Revell updated the Board on the Draft Union Gap Irrigation District water carriage agreement and noted that the agreement terminates at the end of the 2023 season and requires Roza to do the connection work and include an additional insurance requirement amount. No action was requested from the Board.

District Manager Revell reported to the Board on the recent NPDES Aquatic Herbicide permit renewal. Roza submitted detailed comments on the draft permit in March and Ecology issued partial permit revisions in May, which did not address many of the issues identified previously. Roza has scheduled a meeting with the permit writer and supervisor. Staff has been preparing the administrative record for an appeal to the Pollution Control Hearings Board since late 2021 and has informed Ecology executives of those preparations. No action was requested from the Board.

District Manager Revell and Tom Tebb- Director of the State Department of Ecology Office of Columbia reported to the Board on future state funding opportunities. Staff have discussed plans for Roza to apply for up to \$10 million in funding for each of the three canal piping projects during the 2025-2027 state budget biennium as well as separate applications in the 2027-2029 and 2030-2032 biennia for major concrete replacement in the Main Canal floor in the Moxee area and Main Canal piping below Wasteway 6 in conjunction with expansion of the Wasteway 6 Re-Regulation Reservoir.

Watermaster Dave Rollinger presented, and the Board reviewed the Watermaster’s monthly report.

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Engineering Manager Sonnichsen presented, and the Board reviewed the Engineering Manager's monthly report.

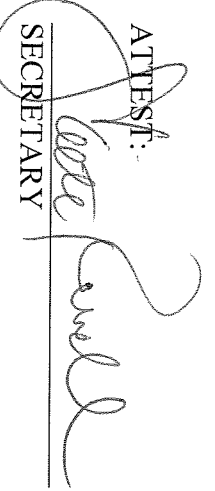
The President declared the Board to be in executive session for an estimated five minutes beginning at 10:40 A.M. pursuant to:

- a. Executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). Potential and pending litigation- State v. Acquavella, Terrace Heights Sewer District.
- b. Executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(2)(a)(iii). To evaluate the legal risk of a proposed action.

The President returned the Board to regular session at 10:45 A.M.

No further business appearing and upon motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the Board did there upon adjourn at 10:45 A.M. on Tuesday June 6, 2023.

ATTEST:


SECRETARY


PRESIDENT