

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

December 9, 2025

The Board of Directors for the Roza Irrigation District convened in regular session on Tuesday December 9, 2025. Present were President Ric Valicoff, Vice-President Jim Willard, Director Jason Don, Director Tanner Winckler, Director Jason Sheehan and District Manager Scott Revell. Engineering Manager Wayne Sonnichsen, Watermaster Dave Rollinger, Maintenance Superintendent Dave Clampitt, Assistant Watermaster Aaron Wiederspohn, Policy Director Sage Park, Assessment Clerk/Assistant Secretary Kristel Espinoza, and contract Roza Hydrologist Consultant Chris Lynch.

Via telephone conference: District Attorney Brian Iller,

The President called the meeting to order at 9:08 A.M. and requested the Board consider the consent agenda as presented:

- a. Minutes of November 17th, 2025, Regular Board meeting.
- b. Status of Investments Report – November 30, 2025.
- c. Treasurer's Report– November 30, 2025.
- d. Comparative Balance Sheet report for the ten periods ending October 31, 2025.
- e. Statement of Income Expense report for the ten periods ending October 31, 2025.
- f. Bank Reconciliation- November 30, 2025.
- g. Claims.
- h. 2026 Miscellaneous bills.

The following claims were approved for payment: Payroll number 29703 in the amount of \$181.70. Voucher numbers 72723 – 72745, 75831 – 72849 and 72864 – 72900 in the amount of \$490,088.01 and electronic payments 10-25, 11-25, 14-25, 15-25, 25-28, 25-29, 31-25 and 32-25 in the amount of \$323,150.44 from the period of November 6, 2025, to December 9, 2025

It was moved by Mr. Willard, seconded by Mr. Sheehan, and unanimously passed to approve the consent agenda.

Sarah Tessendorf, Project Scientist with National Center Atmospheric Research presented on the cloud seeding feasibility and program design over the Yakima River basin to the Board. She explained that there appeared to be very good potential on the south face of the Stuart mountain range above the Yakima main stem reservoirs based on modeled storms from 2021 with and without cloud seeding.

The Board convened as the Board of Equalization. Mr. Revell confirmed for the Board that notice of the equalization hearing was published in the Yakima Herald and the Tri-City Herald pursuant to RCW 87.03.255 and that the assessment roll was delivered to the Board on November 3, 2025, and had been available for inspection. No water users were present for the Board of Equalization and Mr. Revell noted no written communications had been submitted by water users concerning equalization of the roll. Mr. Revell noted that equalization reflects only irrigable acres assigned to parcels and not the amount assessed. Following discussion, Mr. Willard made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sheehan, and unanimously adopted Resolution # 2-2025 pursuant to RCW 87.03.255 to equalize the 2026 assessment roll.

District Manager Revell summarized to the Board the district reserves as of October 31, 2025, and reviewed the information in the written staff report. Board members and Staff discussed potential high-cost emergencies such as pump station switch gear failure, power pole replacement budget, planned pump station replacement funding, pump 17 replacement costs and allocating funds for projects or looming repairs not listed in the reserves. No action was requested from the Board.

Engineering Manager Wayne Sonnichsen reported to the Board on the 32.8 gate replacement. Staff's recommendation is to purchase a new Langemann gate for the check structure which would be installed after the 2026 irrigation season. Following discussion, Mr. Don made a motion, seconded by Mr. Willard and unanimously approved up to \$200,000 for the purchase of the Langemann gate from Aqua Systems 2000 for the 32.8 check structure.

District Manager Revell updated the Board on the draft 2026 budget planning and discussed the background information on several line items with changes detailed in the staff report and a list of issues looming on the horizon in 2027 and beyond. No action was requested from the Board.

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District Manager Revell discussed with the Board the 2026 operation and maintenance assessment. Board members and Staff discussed at length the United States Bureau of Reclamation power and operation and maintenance expenses, insurance, Pump 3 enclosure, and water supply development. The Board discussed current financial reserves, potential use of reserves, and drought funds in 2026. Following a lengthy discussion, Mr. Willard made a motion, second by Mr. Sheehan and motion was carried by majority with Mr. Valicoff and Mr. Don in favor and Mr. Winckler abstained, the Board approved to increase the assessment by \$4.00 per acre and set the 2026 operation and maintenance assessment at \$211.00 per acre. Mr. Winckler stated that his abstaining was to discuss the 2026 operation and maintenance assessment at the December 16, 2025, special meeting.

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

The President declared the Board to be in executive session for an estimated fifteen minutes beginning at 1:05 P.M. pursuant to:

- a. Executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). Potential and pending litigation- State v. Acquavella.
- b. Executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(2)(a)(iii). To evaluate the legal risk of a proposed action.
- c. Executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(b). Selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate.

The President returned at 1:20 P.M. and had determined that the Board would be in executive session for an additional ten minutes.

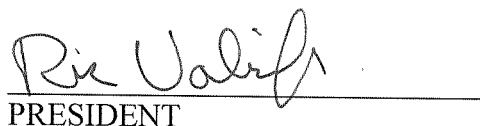
The President returned the Board to regular session at 1:30 P.M.

Mr. Revell noted Ramiro Valencia had paid his 2025 miscellaneous bill on December 8, 2025, after printing the board packet. The bill, which is for work completed by Roza for landowners in 2025 was submitted to the landowner in early 2025. The new total for the two remaining 2026 miscellaneous bills is \$6,781.89.

No further business appearing and upon motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the Board did there upon adjourn at 1:33 P.M. on Tuesday December 9, 2025.

ATTEST:


SECRETARY


PRESIDENT