

**SUNNYSIDE VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The regular meeting of the Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District (SVID) was held via conference call due to the stay at home orders for Covid-19 and called to order by Chairman Simpson on, April 7, 2020 at 1:45 PM. Present in addition to Chairman Simpson were Directors Mike Hogue, Kevin Golob, Paul Groeneweg, and Dave Michels; Lori Brady, SVID Manager/Secretary/Treasurer; Ron Cowin, Assistant Manager--Engineering, Dave Bos, Assistant Manager – Operations, Nikki Musson, Office Manager; and Larry Martin, Legal Counsel for the SVID.

The minutes of the March 3, 2020 Board Meeting were reviewed. Upon a motion by Director Golob, that was seconded and unanimously carried, the minutes were approved as written.

Mr. Bos presented the Board with a claim from Ms. Guzman. The claim in the amount of \$273.80 was submitted for damage done to the car mirror by an SVID vehicle. After a brief discussion, upon a motion by Director Michels that was seconded, the motion carried, and the claim in the amount of \$273.80 was approved.

Ms. Brady presented Resolution 2020-04-01. Resolution 2020-04-01, Declaring an Emergency & Authorizing the Secretary/Manager to Take Action to Ensure the Health and Safety of Employees and the Public, was presented to the Board. The resolution gives the Secretary/Manager authorization to take any appropriate action to ensure the health and safety of SVID employees and the public. Also ensuring authorization to take any and all actions necessary to ensure that SVID employees are able to deliver irrigation water to water users and to ensure all ongoing construction projects are completed to allow water deliveries to commence. Upon a motion by Director Golob that was seconded, the motion carried, and the resolution was approved as written. Resolution 2020-04-01 is attached and by this reference incorporated into these minutes.

The Board considered the Consent Agenda as shown below.

	<u>PARCEL</u>	<u>FACILITY OR DESCRIPTION</u>
<u>QUIT CLAIM DEED</u>		
Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District	1-2095-400-0001-000	
<u>DEVELOPER'S AGREEMENT</u>		
Leslie R. Licea	1-3194-300-0001-001	
<u>DISTRICT WATER RIGHT CONTRACT</u>		
F & M Investments	221026-11427	
<u>CHANGE POINT OF DELIVEY</u>		
Cliff & Bonnie Sainsbury	201125-24403	
F & M Investments LLC	221026-11427	
Juan Pineda & Rosa Beltran	230927-44005	
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Upon a motion by Director Hogue that was seconded, the motion carried, and the Consent Agenda was approved.

Mr. Bos updated the Board on field operations. Priming of Sunnyside Canal began on March 16 and is ongoing. Most laterals are primed and ready for water delivery. Mowing and spraying will begin soon. Field crews have staggered start times beginning March 31st, as an added precaution in addition to practicing social distancing due to COVID-19.

Mr. Bos presented the 2020 Rental Rates. Upon a motion by Director Hogue that was seconded, the motion carried, and the 2020 Rental Rates were approved and incorporated into these minutes.

Mr. Cowin reported on the Field Office repairs. SVID received two quotes for the field office ceiling repairs. Tri-Valley Construction of Yakima submitted a quote of \$26,120.00 and All Safe Abatement Services of Kennewick submitted the low quote of \$23,522.08. The contract was awarded to All Safe Abatement Services and construction work began on March 30th. The construction should be completed and engineering staff moved back to the field office at the end of April or early May. A Change Order, CO #1 in the amount of \$3,875 was presented. Upon a motion by Director Hogue that was seconded, the motion carried, and Change Order #1 was approved.

Mr. Cowin presented a Change Order from Wheeler Rock Products. Wheeler Rock Products was awarded the bid for shotcrete and concrete. Change Order 1 was for the increase in shotcrete from 340 yards to 396 yards and the increase in concrete from 180 yards to 227 yards. Change Order #1 increased the original bid of \$89,233.30 by \$17,393.48 to a final total of \$106,626.78. Upon a motion by Director Hogue that was seconded, the motion carried, and Change Order #1 was approved.

Nikki Musson was hired as the Office Manager and began on Monday April 6th.

Ms. Brady presented the financial report. The Status of Funds listed investments and other funds totaling \$15,002,184. Vouchers numbered 75074-75233 in the total amount of \$314,379.36 were submitted for approval. Ms. Brady presented a graph showing current funds compared to historical levels. Upon a motion by Director Michels, which was seconded and unanimously carried, the Board approved and authorized payment of the vouchers as listed above.

Ms. Brady reported on the office. The front office has become overwhelmed with calls due to the time of year and with the office closed down to the public due to COVID-19. Calls that normally take 5 minutes are taking close to 15 minutes. Office staff is diligent in practicing social distancing and taking adequate cleaning precautions.

Ms. Brady informed the Board on the True Point software transition. True Bill and True Canal went live on March 30th. It has been challenging for the front staff and field staff but they have been doing a great job working through the issues.


Ms. Brady updated the Board on the bid results for the lease of surplus real property. One bid was received and then withdrawn.

Ms. Brady provided the following summary of 2020 legislative session relative to irrigation districts:

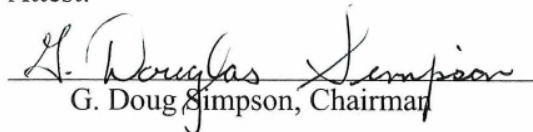
HB 2588 (Sponsor is Representative Pollet): The bill related to improving openness, accountability, and transparency of special purpose districts amending RCW 43.09.230, 36.96.010, 36.96.030, and 36.96.070; adding a new section to chapter 36.96 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 84.55 RCW. -Gives provisions to dissolve inactive and unauditable special purpose districts. Adds all special purpose districts must publish online the annual budget, minutes for prior two years, and annual auditable financial statements. Adds the county treasurer must act as the treasurer for the special purpose districts who are considered "unauditable".

It is very likely that irrigation district elections will be the focus in the upcoming 2021 legislative session. Money was put into the state supplemental budget for a study of the land-based elections by special purpose districts. The study will be completed by University of Washington-Tacoma Campus. Our lobbyist will be contacting the lead of the study and with the appropriate Senators to discuss WSWRA as a potential resource for the study. The study will be completed and submitted by December 1, 2020 to the legislative body.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 PM.


Lori Brady, Secretary

Attest:


G. Doug Simpson, Chairman

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2020-04-01

**Declaring an Emergency & Authorizing the Secretary/Manager to Take Action to Ensure
the Health and Safety of Employees and the Public**

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors (the Board) of the Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District (SVID) declares an emergency under RCW 39.04.280 and authorizes the Secretary/Manager to take whatever action is needed to protect the health and safety of employees and the public; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020 the United States Department of Public Health and Human Services Secretary declared a public emergency for the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) commencing January 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on February 29, 2020 Governor Jay Inslee signed a Proclamation declaring a State of Emergency exists in all counties in the State of Washington due to the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 and directed that the plans and procedures of the Washington State Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan be implemented; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020 Governor Jay Inslee signed Proclamation 20-25 declaring a Stay at Home order except for essential services; and

WHEREAS, Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District (SVID) provides irrigation water to approximately 94,405 acres of agricultural land in Yakima and Benton Counties and agriculture is an essential sector of the local economy that is critical to public health and safety and is therefore an essential public service; and

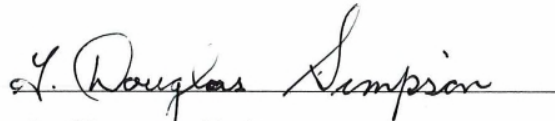
WHEREAS, SVID water deliveries and the production of agricultural commodities, under the County and State Orders, are listed as essential services; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District does hereby resolve as follows:

1. Effective immediately, the Secretary/Manager is hereby authorized to take any appropriate action to ensure the health and safety of SVID employees.

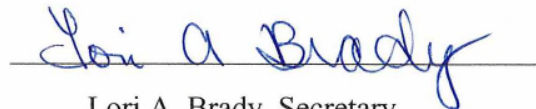
2. The Secretary/Manager is authorized to take any and all actions necessary to ensure that SVID employees are able to deliver irrigation water to water users commencing on April 1, 2020, including, but not limited to such actions as are necessary to ensure all ongoing construction projects are completed in time to allow water deliveries to commence.
3. The Secretary/Manager is authorized to act in concert with federal, state, and local governments to ensure that the critical functions of SVID are fulfilled to the extent possible and that the health, safety, and welfare of SVID employee and the public is protected to the extent possible.
4. The foregoing authority extends for the duration of the emergency, or until the Board withdraws such authority.
5. The Secretary/Manager is also authorized to act on any other matters consistent with the emergency Orders issued by the federal, state, or local authorities.

Done this Day of , 2020



G. Douglas Simpson, Chairman

Attest:



Lori A. Brady, Secretary

SVID 2020 EQUIPMENT RENTAL RATES	
Effective April 8, 2020	
Vehicle/Equipment Type & #'s	2020 Rental Rate
Transportation 1-06--3-18	\$0.54
1-Ton Trucks 4-01A--4-47	\$0.97
1 1/2 Ton Trucks	\$5.00
Dump Trucks 5-62--5-77	\$2.36
Bucket Truck 4-41	\$14.65
Boom Truck 4-60	\$425.28
Small Water Truck 5-09	\$5.44
Large Water Truck 5-10	\$4.87
2006 International Fuel Truck 5-11	\$2.51
Gradall 6-06	\$106.72
Large Excavator 6-16A	\$57.16
Small Excavators 623--628	\$50.80
Mini Excavator 626, 627	\$23.31
Backhoes 646A--650	\$46.56
Graders 7-01, 7-03	\$92.49
Dozers 7-42, 7-43	\$135.80
Loaders 7-72, 7-73	\$43.93
Mower Tractors 8-14--8-23	\$54.71
Small Compressor 8-22	\$374.34
Large Compressor 824	\$251.00
Auger Rodders 941A--950	\$80.49
Flush Rodders 9-47, 9-51	\$65.38
Shotcrete Machines 949, 952	\$156.95
Fork Lift 9-96	\$29.52
Vaccum Excavator 9-97	\$97.92
Pickup Vacuum Excavator 9-98	\$75.17
Large Pumps 921, 922	\$42.46
Chain Saws	\$28.00
Wackers	\$38.00
Small Pumps	\$28.00
Cut-off Saws	\$28.00
Truck mount sprayers	\$20.00
Boat	\$150.00