

**METHOW VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING**

**April 14, 2025
Twisp, Washington**

MINUTES

Director Edson called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Present were Directors Mark Edson, Deanna Melton, Luke Hutson, and Secretary Amy Grennell. The other guests in attendance are listed in the meeting book filed with the Secretary.

Agenda Review: Secretary Grennell requested to add an item to the agenda regarding the Small Works Roster.

Minutes—March 10, 2025 regular board meeting: Director Melton moved to approve the minutes. Director Hutson seconded; the motion carried.

Minutes— March 17, 2025 special board meeting: Director Edson moved to approve the minutes. Director Hutson seconded; the motion carried.

Minutes— March 20, 2025 special board meeting: Director Edson moved to approve the minutes. Director Melton seconded; the motion carried.

Minutes— March 23, 2025 special board meeting: Director Edson moved to approve the minutes. Director Melton seconded; the motion carried.

Member Concerns: Members Kent Woodruff and Willie Kemper were in attendance to meet the watermaster and see how things are going in preparation for turn on.

Member Ken Borg wanted to follow up on a question he had from a previous meeting where he is concerned about the possibility of having an emergency happening and need a repair that is over the allowed cost to spend without having a meeting for approval. Director Melton responded that in the By-Laws it states the process and follows RCW.

Treasurer's report: The secretary presented the treasurer's report for the month ending March 31, 2025. The ending balance in the General Expense fund was \$58,580.24. The ending balance in the General Investment fund was \$326,015.82.

Vouchers: The secretary presented payroll voucher claims 4.14.25_01 through 4.14.25_03 in the amount of \$2,976.08 and vendor voucher claims 4.14.25_04 through 04.14.25_14 in the amount of \$3,054.72. Following review of the claims, Director Edson moved to approve the voucher requests. Director Hutson seconded; the motion was carried.

Resolution 25.03 Adjustment to the Assessment Roll – Craig Bunney: The Directors reviewed the letter from Mr. Bunney regarding his request to have legal fees removed from his 2025

Assessment. The Directors would like to follow up with more information needed on whether or not the water line in question actually does cross the parcel in question and move forward after that is determined.

Resolution 25.04 Small Works Roster Program Administrator and Business Utilization Plan:

Secretary Grennell stated that to be in compliance with the new MRSC Small Works Roster for Direct Contracting, MVID must appoint a Program Administrator as well as adopt a Business Utilization Plan. Director Melton moved to approve Resolution 25.04 as presented. Director Hutson seconded; the motion carried.

J. Tackman Water Rights: Director Melton and the Secretary recently participated in a conference call with Mr. Tackman, Department of Ecology and the Attorney General's office about this issue. Mr. Tackman would like MVID to hold his water right application in the water bank trust for him to use later. He understands that MVID would not be able to use the water in the meantime as it has not yet been converted into a water right permit. The Directors wanted to follow up with more questions to Ecology before acting on this matter.

Land use action: Twisp Family Haven PD and SP: Secretary Grennell stated that she has been working with Sandra Strieby and the attorney on a response to the developers for the Planned Development and Short Plat. The Developers will be sending MVID a letter of compliance to be considered for PD approval.

MVID Vehicles: Watermaster Jim McMillan stated that the Chevy Truck will not start this year possibly due to a bad battery that will not charge. He said that he spoke with E&M Auto where it had been previously serviced and they advised him that it doesn't have just one thing wrong with it, and that it would not be worth the investment to get it up and running again. The Directors agree that it would be a waste to continue to fix it and would like to possibly see if MVID can find another truck that would better serve the district long term. The Secretary is going to work on a value and get the paperwork ready to surplus the Chevy. The Watermaster is going to keep an eye out for any vehicle that would be a good fit.

Reports, updates, questions:

Operations: Jim McMillan reported that things are going well so far. He recently met with Adam from Blue Logix to learn about the SCADA system at the pumphouse to control the West side pipeline. He also has been working with Barkley for their startup taking place in the next few days on the East side. He said he has been successful in flushing out debris and some sediment at the headworks and says things are on track. He asked for clarification on the startup date and the Directors responded that they would like it to be ready by May 1 to turn on both the East and West pipe system.

Director Edson adjourned the meeting at 8:43 p.m.

Passed and approved this 12th day of May 2025.

ATTEST:

Ami Pyrenell
Secretary

John Hill

Director

Director

Mark Richard Edson

Director