

Twin Lakes Rathdrum Creek Flood Control District No. 17
Minutes of the March 4, 2021 Meeting

Public Agency: Flood Control 17, Kootenai County, Idaho
Governing Body: Board of Commissioners, Flood Control District

Meeting Date, Time and Location:

March 4, 2021 6:00 pm

**Twinlow Camp and Retreat Center Office
22787 North Twinlow Road, Rathdrum Idaho 83858**

The meeting was **called to order** at 6:11 pm by Chairman Todd Howe.

Present: Chairman Division 1, Todd Howe
Commissioner Division 2, Adam Kremin
Vice Chairman Division 3, Gordon Sylte
Commissioner Division 4, Janet Armstrong
Secretary/Treasurer, Renee Miller

A quorum was established.

Others Attending: Laurin Scarcello, FCD Dam Tender; Doug Jones, Idaho Department of Water Resources; and Jamie and Bruce Wilson.

Gordon Sylte moved to approve the Minutes of the February 4, 2021 Meeting. The motion was seconded by Adam Kremin and passed unanimously.

Lake Level Report

Laurin Scarcello reported the lake level as at 7.98 feet yesterday. The gate opening is 4 inches. He reported the grates are clear.

Payment Authorization and Ratification

The Commissioners were presented with a list that included the following: Ratify—Coeur d'Alene Press, \$22.69 for legal ad for finance committee meeting and approve payments for Avista, \$33.96 on 3/15/2021 via monthly scheduled electronic funds transfer (EFT), Twinlow Camp \$100.00 meeting space; Renee Miller \$12.00 reimbursement for Quickbooks monthly fee; ICRMP \$833.00, second half of annual insurance premium and normal payroll at \$1,458.59, (\$1,770.00 gross). The Commissioners were presented with a folder containing times sheets and a Quickbooks recap of the February time paid today as listed above. **Gordon Sylte made a motion to ratify the above listed payment and to approve above listed future payments.** The motion was seconded by Adam Kremin and passed unanimously.

Review of Bank Statements and Financial Records

The Commissioners were provided with a copy of the February 28, 2021, Washington Trust Bank monthly statement that shows the activity of both the checking and savings accounts along account reconciliation statements. The Finance Committee met on February 24, 2021. As a result of the discussion, Renee Miller will prepare a written report documenting the internal controls of the organization along with a master calendar of due dates. A full discussion will be deferred until the next meeting.

Correspondence Review

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Copies of correspondence since the last meeting were provided to the commissioners in a folder. They included emails from Kootenai County Auditor's Office stating there will be a delay in the mailing of the "Maximum Budget & Foregone Amounts" by the Idaho State Tax Commission and an inquiry regarding attendance at the Annual Levy Training Workshop. The District also received a letter from the United States Census Bureau with instructions for completion on-line of the 2021 Government Units Survey due April 1, 2022, which the Secretary/Treasurer will complete.

Public Comments

The Chairman opened Public Comments at this time to hear from Bruce and Jamie Wilson who live on the upper lake. They expressed concern and questions about why the middle of the upper lake has a large melted area, while the edges remain frozen, a condition they reported they have never observed before this year. They presented photos that show the melted portion of the lake. Todd Howe expressed to them his doubt that the matter is under any control by the Flood District, but offered the opportunity for discussion with attendees who may have any thoughts on the matter. Gordon Sylte felt the condition was the result of inflows to the lake from melting snow, possibly aggravated by logging that has been done on the hillsides above the lake. Discussion of the weather, snowpack and fill curve continued. The snow level is 64" with 20" of water. The Commissioners are monitoring the dam and lake level daily. The ground saturation is unknown. The snow pack seems adequate to fill the lake to summer level, however with the canopy greatly reduced, the melting can occur very quickly and if the ground is dry it may absorb much of the runoff. The Commissioners reviewed the options of the different fill curves and asked Laurin to close the gate opening to 3 inches and watch the lake level.

Old Business

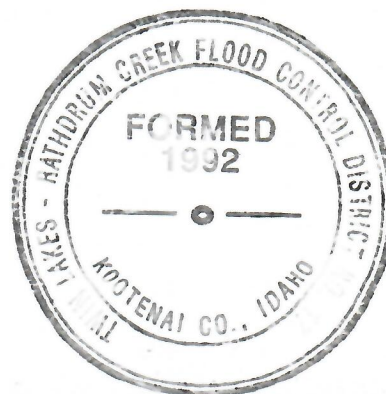
ICRMP: The Secretary/Treasurer spoke with Dusty Harris of Paynewest Insurance, our ICRMP broker. He asked the Commissioners to set an appointment to meet with him at the dam. The date agreed upon was Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at 5:30 at the dam. At a minimum, Laurin Scarcello, Steve Neff, Todd Howe and Adam Kremin plan to attend. Renee Miller will give the date to Dusty Harris and send confirming correspondence to all.

Pursuit of Grants: Adam Kremin reported he has reviewed the requirements for the Idaho Department of Water Resources grant and the organization files of prior grant submissions. A notice of intent is due April 15 and the submission package due in June. The Commissioners discussed possible projects for submission. He will continue to gather the information needed, such as bids for the work. He will touch base with the Idaho Department of Lands and Doug Jones. He will work with the Secretary/Treasurer for the preparation of the final grant submission package.

New Business: None

Gordon Sylte moved to adjourn at 7:04 pm. The motion was seconded by Janet Armstrong and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Renee Miller, Secretary/Treasurer



Approved