

KEREMEOS IRRIGATION DISTRICT

MINUTES OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MAY 3RD, 2023, AT 8:50 P.M. at the Keremeos Victory Hall

IN ATTENDANCE: Trustees, Roger Mayer, Ian Walters; Bill Sparkes, Tim Cottrill, and Aaron Beauchamp. Superintendent, Jo Cottrill, Consulting Manager Kevin Huey, and Financial Administrator, Cheryl Halla.
Absent from meeting: None.

The meeting was called to order at 8:50 P.M. by Managing Consultant Kevin Huey.

- 1. ELECTION OF CHAIR:** Roger Mayer was nominated for the Chair position by Aaron Beauchamp. Roger accepted the nomination. As there were no further nominations, Roger Mayer was declared elected by acclamation as Board Chair for the ensuing year.
- 2. DELEGATION:** Rachel Gurevitch, Business Manager for Lasser Produce Ltd. was representing Sukhdev Lasser, who was not in attendance. She expressed concern over the District requirement for them to pay for the installation of a fire hydrant in conjunction to their application for a water connection to build a cidery. Kevin Huey explained why the hydrant is required making reference to the density of the buildings and the distance to the next fire hydrant. Kevin also explained that the KID is currently working on the possibility of the adjacent land owner sharing the cost of the hydrant. The applicant could pay to install the hydrant as required, and may be reimbursed by the other land owner accordingly.

- 2.1** Request from Rachel Gurevitch / Sukhdev Lasser for certain bylaws & documents. Noted that the request has been received and staff will endeavor to release copies of the bylaws etc. in due course.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

- 3.1** The minutes from the meeting of March 29, 2023 were adopted as printed on motion of Bill Sparkes, seconded by Tim Cottrill.

Carried.

Area Director Tim Roberts announced that the RDOS Board recently voted to divide the Provincial Community Grant evenly between all 9 Area Directors, based on population; the funds can only be used on Regional District owned infrastructure, to be itemized by the end of the year. It was noted that it is unfortunate that Improvement Districts are once again left out of Provincial funding that could benefit District ratepayers and help with KID infrastructure.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES & UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 4.1 Proposed New Well - Engineering:** Nothing further to report.
 - 4.2 GARP Study:** The final GARP report was circulated to Trustees. A meeting with Judi Ekkert of Interior Health is scheduled for May 16th, 2023 to review the report.
 - 4.3 Right of Way, Lot 20 Plan 301:** Roger had spoken to the owners of Lot 20, who stated that the right of way document is currently being reviewed by their lawyer and would be resolved soon.
 - 4.4 Groundwater License Application:** Nothing further to report.
 - 4.5 East Unit Upgrade Project:** Jo reported that the project is now completed and running smoothly.
 - 4.6 Properties in Tax Sale Position:** Nothing further to report.
 - 4.7 Village Request to Verify Water Supply for ALC Exclusion Application – 200 & 300 2nd Ave.**
Chair, Roger Mayer recused himself from the discussion and left the room.
An engineering report from Ecora was received that examined the water allotments for the above noted properties. The report stated the Average Daily Demand created by a 46 lot development is approximately 38% less than the current irrigation demand. Following discussion it was moved by Aaron Beauchamp, seconded by Bill Sparkes, to respond accordingly to the Village of Keremeos that the District could supply water to a future development on those lands.

Carried.

- 5. PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS:** See 2. Above.

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6. CORRESPONDENCE: See 2.1 above.

7. REPORTS:

6.1 Accounts for Approval: Moved by Tim Cottrill, seconded by Bill Sparkes, that the accounts are adopted as presented:

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| Total Operating: | 17,786.43 |
| Total Capital | 89,470.98(East Project; Red Bridge; East#1) |
| Payroll for March 2023 | 16,802.26 |

Carried.

6.2 Super's Report on Operations: (see report for full details) Jo Cottrill gave a report on several current initiatives for the month of May.

6.3 Water Advisory Committee Meeting Update: The next WAC meeting is scheduled for June 20, 2023.

8. BYLAWS: None to report.

9. RESOLUTIONS: None.

10. NEW BUSINESS: None brought forward.

11. NEXT MEETING DATE:

11.1 Board Meeting – scheduled for Wednesday, June 21st, 2023.

12. ADJOURNMENT: The regular meeting was adjourned at 9:41 PM on motion of Ian Walters.

Keremeos Irrigation District ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL - May 3rd, 2023:**Cheques Issued April 14, 2023:**

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| A.C.E. Courier | 73.17 |
| AC Motor Electric | 601.52 |
| Andrew Sheret Ltd. | 7,243.31 |
| Caro Analytical Services | 237.30 |
| Cheryl Halla (04/01-04/14/23 26.75 hrs.) | 1,151.59 |
| Fas Gas | 836.20 |
| Finning Canada | 380.70 |
| Fortis BC | 173.54 |
| Fortis BC Gas | 256.49 |
| Napa Auto Parts | 192.85 |
| Telus Mobility | 383.54 |
| Keremeos Review | 52.50 |

Online Payments 04/11/23:

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| WorkSafe BC | 1,265.85 (1 st Quarter) |
| Receiver General (KID %) | 1,331.00 |
| Collabria Mastercard (Office R&M 82.68/ Quickbooks 116.48) | 199.16 |

Cheques Issued April 28, 2023:

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| A.C.E. Courier | 96.46 |
| BC One Call | 57.33 |
| Raider Hansen | 278.66 (Safety Supplies) |
| Cheryl Halla (04/15 – 04/28/23 37.25 hrs.) | 1,603.61 |
| Fix'Em Automotive | 175.84 |
| Fortis BC Gas | 155.96 |
| Growers Supply | 386.62 |
| Keremeos Home Building Centre | 302.09 |
| Telus | 351.14 (March / April) |

Total Operating: 17,786.43

Capital / Renewal Projects:

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| Ashnola Electric | 4,866.23 (West A/C) |
| Kimco Controls Ltd. | 7,721.70 (East Heat Pump) |
| Wine Capital Electric | 10,207.84 (East Upgrade Final) |
| Penticton Pump Service Inc. | 15,477.00 (Red Bridge 30HP) |
| Precision Service & Pumps | 51,198.21 (East #1 Rehab) |

Total Capital / Renewal Projects: 89,470.98

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