

Kittitas County Joint Control Board No. 1
Board of Directors Meeting
May 14, 2024 Minutes

The Board of Directors of the Kittitas County Joint Control Board No. 1 (KCJB) met in Regular Session on May 14, 2024 at 12:30 p.m. Attending the meeting, were KCJB Chairman Mark Hansen, KCJB Vice Chairman Mel Dyk, Director Arie Dyk, Director Sherry Swanson, KRD Secretary Manager Urban Eberhart, KRD Assistant Manager Kevin Eslinger, Secretary Stacy Berg, Treasurer Mark Messner, and KRD Legal Counsel Jeff Slothower.

KCJB Chairman Hansen called the meeting to order. The agenda was approved with a motion made by Director Arie Dyk. A second was made by Director Swanson, the motion passed unanimously.

The minutes for the March 12, 2024 Board Meeting were approved with a motion made by Director Arie Dyk, the second was made by Director Swanson. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Washington State has declared a drought for 2024. The KCJB will continue to work with the United States Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) to manage the water as efficiently as possible. The allotment is currently set at 54%, the system has been operating at 60 cfs with 11 ft spilling. The automation has not been operating properly.

Water Master Report: As of May 14, 2024 the five reservoirs are at 60% capacity which is 73.4% of average. Precipitation at the five reservoirs for May 1 to date is 2.99 inches, or 72% of average and 30% of the months average. Precipitation for the Water Year is 164.19 inches, or 82% of average. The Snotel sites for the Upper Yakima Basin are reporting 48% of average and the Naches Basin sites are at 60% of average.

Maintenance Report: KRD Field Supervisor Main reported that a telemetry station at the tail end and at the Manastash Spill have been installed. The Westside Loggers have been replaced. There was a large hole at the tail end that had a temporary repair. A permanent repair will be done in the fall. The system has been sprayed once and spot spraying will continue. Director Mel Dyk asked if the brush piles would be burned, which Field Supervisor Main assured that they would.

Treasurers Report: The treasurer's report was presented for the March and April expenses and signatures. The voucher for expenses included check numbers 137-138 in the sum of \$17,047.85 which was approved with a motion made by Director Swanson. A second was made by Director Mel Dyk, the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business: Director Swanson gave a brief update on the interlocal agreement for the Westside Lining Project. The agreement has been signed and an amendment is expected to be presented at the July Board Meeting for additional funding. The SEPA proposal will be forthcoming. Legal Counsel Slothower reiterated that the KCJB has its own independent SEPA Authority. A resolution will be drafted for the next Board Meeting.

New Business: A public access concern was brought to the attention of the KCJB, it was determined that it was a Westside Irrigating Company issue and was referred to the Westside Irrigation Company Board to make a determination and respond back to the original party.

Other Business: All business having been concluded the meeting was adjourned.

Mr. Hansen, KCJB Chairman

Mr. Mel Dyk, KCJB Vice Chairman