

Twin Lakes Rathdrum Creek Flood Control 17
Regular Meeting Minutes

Public Agency: **Flood Control 17, Kootenai County, Idaho**

Governing Body: **Board of Flood Control District Commissioners**

Meeting Date, Time, and Location:

May 7, 2020, 6:00 pm

Twinlow Camp

22787 North Twinlow Rd. Rathdrum Idaho 83858

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Todd Howe at 5:58 pm.

Present: Chairman Division 1 Todd Howe

Commissioner Division 2 Adam Kremin

Commissioner Division 3 Gordon Sylte

Commissioner Division 4 Janet Armstrong

Secretary/Treasurer Kathryn Cronin

A quorum was established

Public: Doug Jones - IDWR

Laurin Scarcello – FCD Dam Tender

Meeting Changes: No changes to the agenda

Approval of minutes: Todd Howe moved to approve the minutes from March's regular meeting. Adam Kremin seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Lake Level Report: Laurin Scarcello reported the lake level at 10.4, bouncy around 10.44, with a gate opening of 8 inches. Some light debris in the gate; will need to drain or replace one pontoon up the thoroughfare.

Payment Authorization:

Kathryn Cronin presented the following bills for payment.

Avista \$23.51 for utilities, Laurin Scarcello \$608.45, Kathryn Cronin \$419.04, Quarterly taxes \$21.18, Gordon Sylte \$184.70, Janet Armstrong \$277.05, Todd Howe \$346.31. Adam Kremin will be paid at the next meeting.

Todd Howe motioned to approve payment. Adam Kremin seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Review of bank Statements & Financial records.

March and April's bank statements were reviewed by the commissioners. The Quickbooks' report aligns with the checks going out and the balances in both the checking and savings accounts.

Correspondence review

Avista sent a notice of some maintenance which will be occurring along the Flood district's property line. They will let us know if they need to access the property. No action needed.

The Flood District received an email from attorney Scott Poorman, with a petition to annex the parcel in our district in order to facilitate some boundary line issues with adjacent parcels. Todd Howe called him and had a conversation with him and Scott believed he had already found an answer without needing information from us. No action is needed.

Old Business:

Weather Station at the Dam

The topic of putting in a weather station at the dam is on hold. The cost of a weather station needs to be narrowed down and discussion with the Water District if they are willing and able to contribute funds to the project. Questions about registering a weather station with the NRCS need answered. Gordon Sylte talked of his current weather station and it's online system, and wondered if employing four to five of the smaller weather stations, ones costing hundreds rather than thousands, would be more suitable. Topic will resume in June.

Online Banking / Debit Card

Todd Howe will get the paperwork so that new signers can be added to the bank account at the next meeting. He will also look into getting a debit card for the FCD bank account.

Sump Review, County and Aquifer Protection Board

No meetings currently due to COVID-19. Laurin Scarcello projected the sump would be accessible around July. Gordon Sylte said talking with the Tevises should still be a priority, especially considering the half finished project around the sump and the debris left from that work. Doug suggested any dirt excavated from any future sump improvements could be used to levy banks and fill in low spots along Rathdrum Creek, and potentially create a program around this issue. Laurin Scarcello liked the idea of creating a program and thinks many homeowners who live along the creek would be interested.

New Business:

Job Vacancy - FCD Secretary/Treasurer

Kathryn Cronin announced she will be relocating in September and opened the floor for any candidate suggestions for the Secretary/Treasurer position. She named Daniell Plomondon as a suitable candidate who could easily train and take over the position. No one had any other suggestions. Kathryn Cronin will bring Daniell to the next meeting so the commissioners can

meet her and decide if she should take over the Secretary/Treasurer position once Kathryn leaves.

Publish Meeting Times - July through December 2020

The secretary will publish the July through December meeting dates in the CDA Press.

Todd Howe motioned to approve. Adam Kremin seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Camera(s) at the Dam: Information Sharing

Steve Neff was not at the meeting so a complete conversation on the camera(s) at the dam will occur at the next meeting. Questions and conversations the commissioners and Laurin Scarcello would like to have - more open correspondence from the Water District, as well as written documents and information on the cameras for any future maintenance.

Information on Snow Pack and Lake Level Curves

Todd Howe said there was about 8 SWE leftover, and from his calculations for every SWE the lake level rose about 0.07. Mid-April Laurin Scarcello drove around to check the area and snow pack. Fish Creek has good flow; the creek into Spirit Lake is almost nonexistent this year and may not flow. Ragged Ridge seems to primarily contribute to the Twin Lakes. Runoff is minimal from the other ridges. Todd Howe would like to keep as much water in the lake as possible to saturate the rim and help with keeping the lake level steady.

Todd Howe would like to begin graphing the snow and lake levels yearly and has been collecting data to do this.

Adam Kremin talked to the Hartmans about drone mapping the Rathdrum Creek for any future debris clearing projects. The cost would be \$25 per hour. This topic will come up at the next meeting as an action item.

The goal is to keep the lake at 10.4 and hand over to the Water District by June 1st.

Adjournment

Todd Howe motioned to adjourn. Adam Kremin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Cronin