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January 18, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting

The Directors of the Eastern Irrigation District held a regular meeting on the 18th day of January, 2018. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Jason Hale	Director	[Division 1]
Mr. Jim Culligan	Director	[Division 2]
Mr. Ross Owen	Chair	[Division 3]
Mr. Rod Johnson	Director	[Division 4]
Mr. Tony Brummelhuis	Director	[Division 5]
Mr. Bob Chrumka	Vice-Chair	[Division 6]
Mr. George Murray V	Director	[Division 7]

Mr. Ivan Friesen Mr. Kevin Bridges Mrs. Wendy Enns General Manager Assistant GM – Corporate Services Executive Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

1.0 Approval of Agenda

The following items were added to the agenda:

- 10.0 Director & Staff Confidentiality Agreement
- 9.02.3 Grazing Policy

2018-01-001 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board adopt the revised Agenda as amended. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.0 Approval of Minutes

2.01 December 18, 2017 Regular Directors Meeting The minutes of December 18, 2017 were accepted as presented.

2018-01-002 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Minutes of the December 18, 2017 Regular Directors Meeting be approved as presented. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.0 Reports on Meetings / Events

There were no reports of meetings or events.

4.0 Business Arising

There were no matters raised.

5.0 Financial Report

K. Bridges presented the following financial report.

5.01 December 31, 2017 Financial Statements

The financial statements to December 31, 2017 were reviewed, noting the following overall:

• YTD revenues total about \$10.9 million.

- YTD net operating expenses total about \$6.1 million.
- YTD potential transfer to the IWF is about \$4.8 million.

A number of questions were responded to by administration.

2018-01-003 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Financial Statements to December 31, 2017, as presented. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.02 1st Quarter Investment Report to December 31, 2017

The book value of the District's investments plus bank account balances at December 31, 2017 was \$1,956,689 or 2% higher than the book value at September 30, 2017.

INVESTMENT	MATURED	PURCHASED
EID – Short Term	\$30,277,000	\$38,656,000
IRP – Short Term	\$4,800,000	\$1,600,000
Emergency Spillway – Short Term	\$6,057,000	\$2,700,000
EID – Long Term	\$16,856,000	\$9,500,000
Partners in Habitat Development	\$160,000	\$150,000

- 2018-01-004 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the 1st Quarter Investment Report to December 31, 2017 as presented. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - **5.03 1**st **Quarter Accounts Receivable to December 31, 2017** A variety of accounts were detailed and questions answered.
- 2018-01-005 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the 1st Quarter Accounts Receivable Report to December 31, 2017 as presented. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.04 2018 Remuneration Bylaw

The proposed 2018 Remuneration Bylaw was presented for review, with per diems reflecting the cost-of-living increase, the mileage rate being increased a cent, and the meal allowances remaining the same. Discussion was held on retaining or reducing the Director per diem rates from 2017.

- 2018-01-006 Moved by J. Culligan that the mileage rate be increased from \$0.57/per km to \$0.58/per km, but that there be no increase for Director per diem rates or meal allowances. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, R. Johnson, J. Hale, T. Brummelhuis OPPOSED – G. Murray
- 2018-01-007 Moved by B. Chrumka that Bylaw #923 (2018), be introduced and read the first time this 18th day of January, 2018. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, R. Johnson, J. Hale, T. Brummelhuis OPPOSED – G. Murray
- 2018-01-008 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board read and approve Bylaw #923 (2018) the second time this 18th day of January, 2018. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, R. Johnson, J. Hale, T. Brummelhuis OPPOSED – G. Murray

2018-01-009 Moved by B. Chrumka that with all Directors being present, consent be granted to give third reading to Bylaw #923 (2018) this 18th day of January, 2018. Seconded by J. Culligan. UNANIMOUS CONSENT NOT GAINED IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, R. Johnson, J. Hale, T. Brummelhuis OPPOSED – G. Murray

As unanimous consent for 3rd reading was not gained, this bylaw will be brought back to the February meeting. A Director requested of I. Friesen, a detailed expenditure list (equipment, salaries, etc.) and comparisons from other districts to further discuss the District's operating costs/per acre.

[9:49 a.m. - 9:53 a.m. Short break.]

[9:57 a.m. Ed Chapman entered the meeting.]

10:00 a.m. Meeting with the Auditor – Review of 2016/2017 Year End Statements

Mr. Owen welcomed Ed Chapman, CPA, CA, of Bevan and Partners, Chartered Accountants to the meeting. The auditor's report and letters were presented and reviewed. Mr. Chapman reported that the District's financial records were found to be in order, with all inspected records to have been presented fairly, with no concerns regarding internal controls/practices. The audit process was outlined and a number of general questions were responded to. A director requested that under "Related Party Transactions – Expenses", the "Farm Improvement Program" line be split to show separate amounts under Farm Improvement Grants (policy) and Cost-Shares for New Irrigation Works (Capital Assets Bylaw). Mr. Chapman was thanked for the thorough work done on the audit. Mr. Chapman in turn thanked administration and staff for their cooperation and assistance with the audit.

- 2018-01-010 Moved by J. Hale that the Independent Auditor's Report be accepted and that the District's audited financial statements for the period ended September 30, 2017 be approved as presented. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-01-011 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the audit findings letter dated January 18, 2018 be accepted, executed and returned to the auditor and that the auditor independence letter dated November 8, 2017 be received as information. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- [10:31 a.m. Ed Chapman exited the meeting.]

5.0 Financial Report cont'd.

5.05 2018 Rates Bylaw

In addition to annual agreement rates for the irrigation of road allowances, two new rates were added to clause 3 of the 2018 Rates Bylaw. Part One includes a rate for acres in excess of assessment or terminable acres, to allow the water user a limited time to adjust the method of irrigation to match the amount of assessed and/or terminable acres. Part Two includes a rate for annual agreements with the EID where farming a portion of the District's land is essential to the existing method of irrigation. No other revisions were made; the bylaw continues to be based on a '\$0' water rate, excepting surcharges for pressurized systems.

- 2018-01-012 Moved by J. Culligan that Bylaw #924 (2018), be introduced and read the first time this 18th day of January, 2018. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-01-013 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board read and approve Bylaw #924 (2018) the second time this 18th day of January, 2018. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-01-014 Moved by J. Hale that with all Directors being present, consent be granted to give third reading to Bylaw #924 (2018) this 18th day of January, 2018. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-01-015 Moved by J. Hale that Bylaw #924 (2018), being a Bylaw of the Eastern Irrigation District to Set the Annual Agreement Rates, Irrigation Rate, Terminable Agreement Rate, Minimum Amount Payable, Surcharge, Discount and Penalty on Unpaid Amounts, be read the third time and finally passed. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Rate Bylaw is included on the website in its entirety.

5.06 2018 Fees Bylaw

The 2018 Fees Bylaw was presented as based on the calculated cost for the delivery of water, which this year is \$32.00/acre foot. Various categories are either based on a percentage of this cost or have a flat fee assigned, and may include charges for additional water over a typical set amount. To encourage prompt payment, a \$100 discount is applied to accounts which are paid within 30 days of the invoice date.

- 2018-01-016 Moved by B. Chrumka that Bylaw #925 (2018), be introduced and read the first time this 18th day of January, 2018. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-01-017 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board read and approve Bylaw #925 (2018) the second time this 18th day of January, 2018. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-01-018 Moved by R. Johnson that with all Directors being present, consent be granted to give third reading to Bylaw #925 (2018) this 18th day of January, 2018. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-01-019 Moved by B. Chrumka that Bylaw #925 (2018), being a Bylaw of the Eastern Irrigation District to Set Fees for Household Purposes Agreements, Water Conveyance Agreements, Rural Water Use Agreements and Other Purposes Agreements, and to Set the Discount and Penalty Rates Applicable to those Agreements, be read the third time and finally passed. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Fees Bylaw is included on the website in its entirety.

[10:41 a.m. – 10:46 a.m. Short break; R. Gagley entered the meeting.]

6.0 EIDNet Report

Short, intermittent outages over the holidays occurred when temperatures dropped below the equipment manufacturer's suggested operating parameters. Manual restarts were required to

EIDNET CUSTOMER ACCOUNTS		
Legacy Residential Accounts	112	
Residential Accounts	1,530	
Business Accounts	27	
EID Automation	4	
Total	1,673	

resume services. Since the last customer account reporting, 30 of the EID automation sites have been shut down for winter.

7.0 Operations

7.01 Snowpack Report

Mr. Friesen identified the current status of the various snowpack pillows. Overall, snowfall accumulation is tracking within average quantities, with snowfall significant to the Bow River normally occurring in the late winter, early spring.

8.0 Engineering

8.01 Project Status

Mr. Gagley advised that construction was shut down due to extreme cold for a couple of days, but is currently operating in full swing.

EID CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS			
EARTHWORKS	EARTHWORKS		
South Bantry Drain	- 30% complete		
PIPELINE	PIPELINE		
05-C East Branch	05-C East Branch - 35% complete		
09 Rolling Hills	- complete, ready for spring cleanup		
08-H West Bantry	- surveyed, detailed design & ROWs complete		
04 Scott Canal	- surveyed, detailed design & ROWs complete		
M Tilley	- complete, ready for spring cleanup		
05 Rolling Hills - surveyed, detailed design & ROWs complete			
STRUCTURES			
17/18 Structure Program - 20% complete			
IRP PROJECTS			
Sec A Rolling Hills - complete, ready for spring cleanup			

[10:55 a.m. R. Gagley exited the meeting.]

[11:00 a.m. Representing the Medicine Hat College – Brooks Campus, the following entered the meeting: Graham Kelly – Chair, MHC Board of Governors Mohammed Idriss – Vice-Chair, MHC Board of Governors Petra Mauerhof – Board of Governors Pat Cox – Board of Governors Dr. Denise Henning – President & CEO, MHC David Petis – Vice President, Advancement & Community Relations Dr. Sandy Vanderburgh – Interim Vice-President Academic Toy Tait – Executive Advisor & Government Liaison Kathy McDowell – Executive Assistant, Board of Governors Cindy Slenders – Director, Brooks Campus and Regional Stewardship]

11:00 a.m. Meeting with Medicine Hat College President & Executive

MHC Brooks Campus representatives were welcomed to the meeting. The delegation was in attendance to begin a discussion between the boards regarding future aspirations of the Brooks Campus and how the Eastern Irrigation District may partner in those goals. Since 2015, the EID has been invited to sit on an Advisory Committee to offer insight on ag related future employment opportunities and industry trends. The Committee is supplemented with various community and industry representatives and it is one of the specific goals of the College to strategically apply recommended prospects and innovations to new curriculum and programming. Included in the revitalization of the currently under-utilized Brooks Campus are plans for creating a multi-disciplinary campus to include a high school, college and amenities for other community services. It was the consensus of both groups to continue this conversation.

[11:50 a.m. MHC - Brooks Campus Representatives exited the meeting.]

Administration will bring back information to the Board regarding the EID's contribution to the construction of the present MHC Brooks Campus facilities. Another Director may attend future MHC, Brooks Campus Advisory Committee meetings along with rep Jason Hale. Further Board discussions will be held around conceivable MHC Brooks Campus ag related programming.

[12:01 p.m. – 12:23 p.m. Lunch break; S. Connauton entered the meeting.]

9.0 Lands

9.01 Assessment, Water & Lands

S. Connauton presented the following Assessment, Water & Lands items.

9.01.1 Assessment Report to December 31, 2017

The Assessment Report for the period of October 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017 was presented according to the following table.

EID WATER ROLL			
Acres on the Water Roll	Irrigation Acres	Terminable Acres	Total
October 1, 2017	296,824	4,604	301,428
December 31, 2017	296,959	4,604	301,563
Net increase	135	< 0 >	135

Irrigation Acres Removed from the Water Roll	< 0 >
(acres sold back for new subdivisions or part of Farm Improvement)	
Irrigation Acres Added to the Water Roll (acres purchased through Irrigation Dev. App. or Farm Improvement efficiencies)	135
Terminable Acres Converted to Irrigation Acres	0
Terminable Acres Canceled	0

9.01.2 Farm Improvement Grant Applications

All new Farm Improvement Grants are subject to a reduction of \$500/acre for any corner acres or acres kept outside the pivot area; and a reduction for any previous grants received on that parcel. For any irrigation acres which are returned to the District, the EID will pay \$1,000/acre. For infill irrigation acres purchased, the capital assets charge is \$300/acre. With proof of installation, applications will be considered on a 2 year retroactive basis; with any approvals based on the grant values at the time of installation.

<u>Conversions</u> (wheels, pivot, sub-surface) and <u>Cost-Shares</u> (turnouts, crossings, drain relos, tree removal, machine leveling, gated pipe, etc.)

9.01.2.1 Delivery Cost-Share – Daniel & Candyce Plumer – NW 19 to NE 19-20-14 W4M

The landowners are applying for a 50/50 infrastructure cost-share grant under the Farm Improvement Policy to move their delivery point from NW 19 to NE 19-20-14 W4M. The work is estimated to cost \$30,000 of which the EID by policy will pay 50% up to \$15,000.

2018-01-020 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Daniel & Candyce Plumer for moving the delivery point in NW 19 to NE 19-20-14 W4M, to be funded on a 50/50 cost-share basis up to \$15,000. The total project cost is \$30,000; of which the Landowner's share would be \$15,000. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.2 Flood to Pivot – Robert & Shirley Milne – S 1/2 05-24-15 W4M

- Assessment: 132 acres
- Converting: 132 acres flood to pivot; 44 additional acres needed (approved through irrigation development application)
- New Assessment: 176 acres, all under wiper pivots
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-01-021 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Robert & Shirley Milne for the conversion of 132 acres flood to pivot in S ½ 05-24-15 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$13,200 (132 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$13,200 (44 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.3 Tree Removal Cost-Share – Robert & Shirley Milne – SW 05-24-15 W4M

The landowners are applying for a 50/50 cost-share to remove trees and level in SW 05-24-15 W4M to accommodate a new pivot in S $\frac{1}{2}$ 05. The work is estimated to cost \$20,000 of which the EID by policy will pay 50% up to \$12,000.

2018-01-022 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Robert & Shirley Milne for removing trees and leveling in SW 05-24-15 W4M, to be funded on a 50/50 cost-share

basis up to \$12,000. The total project cost is \$20,000; of which the Landowner's share would be \$10,000. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.4 Wheels to Pivot – Brian & Adena Skanderup – Pt. SW 14-17-13 W4M

- Assessment: 84 acres
- Converting: 74 acres wheels to pivot; keeping 10 acres in corners
- Assessment remains the same at 84 acres (74 wiper pivot, 10 wheels)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-01-023 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Brian & Adena Skanderup for the conversion of 74 acres wheels to pivot in Pt. SW 14-17-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$7,400 (74 acres x \$100/acre) less \$5,000 (10 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$2,400. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

<u>Upgrades</u> (panels, nozzles, drag hoses, pivots, pumps)

9.01.2.5 Panel & Nozzle Upgrade – Brian & Adena Skanderup – Pt. NW & Pt. SW 14-17-13 W4M

- Assessment: 143 acres
- Installing: panel & nozzle upgrade; keeping 13 acres in corners
- Assessment remains the same at 143 acres (130 pivot, 13 corners)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-01-024 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Brian & Adena Skanderup for the panel and nozzle upgrades in Pt. NW & Pt. SW 14-17-13 W4M quoted at \$13,215. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$13,000 (130 acres x \$100/acre) less \$6,500 (13 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$6,500. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.6 Nozzle Upgrade – Hutterian Brethren of Bow City – Pt. Sec. 27-17-17 W4M

- Assessment: 180 acres
- Installing: nozzle upgrade; (199 irrigated 19 under alternate parcel)
- Assessment remains the same at 180 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-01-025 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for the Hutterian Brethren of Bow City for the nozzle upgrade in Pt. Sec. 27-17-17 W4M quoted at \$6,388. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$18,000 (180 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$6,388. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.7 Nozzle & Gear Box Upgrade – Hutterian Brethren of Bow City – SE 29-17-17 W4M

- Assessment: 132 acres
- Installing: nozzle & gear box upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 132 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-01-026 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for the Hutterian Brethren of Bow City for the nozzle and gear box upgrade in SE 29-17-17 W4M quoted at \$4,268. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,200 (132 acres x

\$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$4,268. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.8 Transfer – Jacob De Jager & Carla De Jager-Unser – (various)

The Landowners are requesting to transfer irrigation acres from various locations to accommodate on-farm improvements in NW 05 & SE 08-14-13 W4M.

2018-01-027 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the transfer of:

- 3 irrigation acres from SW 04-14-13 W4M,
- 2 irrigation acres from SW 08-14-13 W4M, and
- 8 irrigation acres from SW 09-14-13 W4M,

to

- SE 08-14-13 W4M (10 acres), and
- NE 05-14-13 W4M (3 acres),

all lands being owned by Jacob De Jager & Carla De Jager-Unser. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.9 Panel & Nozzle Upgrade – Jacob De Jager & Carla De Jager-Unser – SW 04 & SE 05-14-13

- Previous Assessment: 159 acres (4 acres purchased with previous FI)
- Current Assessment: 163 acres; 3 acres transferring out for general assessment
- Previous Grant: \$3,058 (motion 2005-08-176)
- Installing: panel & nozzle upgrade; keeping 5 acres in corners
- New Assessment: 160 acres (155 wiper pivots, 5 outside)
- Pivot areas have reached maximum grant funding
- 2018-01-028 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Jacob De Jager & Carla De Jager-Unser for the panel and nozzle upgrade in SW 04 & SE 05-14-13 W4M quoted at \$20,407. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$15,900 (159 acres x \$100/acre) less \$3,058 (previous grant) = \$12,842; with the payable amount being \$12,519 (155 acres x \$80.75/acre rounded) less \$2,500 (5 acres x \$500) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$10,019. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.10 Pump, Panel & Nozzle Upgrade – Jacob De Jager & Carla De Jager-Unser – NE 05 & SE 08-14-13 W4M

- Assessment: 211 acres (13 acres transferred in for GA, motion 2018-01-027)
- Installing: pump, panel & nozzle upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 211 acres (85 N wiper pivot, 126 S pivot)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-01-029 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Jacob De Jager & Carla De Jager-Unser for the pump, panel and nozzle upgrade in NE 05 & SE 08-14-13 W4M quoted at \$25,406. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$21,100 (211 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$21,100. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 9.01.2.11 Panel & Pump Upgrade Jacob De Jager & Carla De Jager-Unser NW 09 & Pt. SW 09-14-13 W4M
 - Assessment: 196 acres

- Previous Grant: \$3,600 (motion 2007-04-127)
- Installing: panel & pump upgrade; keeping 6 acres in corners
- Assessment remains the same (129 N pivot, 61 S wiper pivot, 6 acres corners)
- 2018-01-030 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Jacob De Jager & Carla De Jager-Unser for the panel and pump upgrade in NW 09 & Pt. SW 09-14-13 W4M quoted at \$30,085. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$19,600 (196 acres x \$100/acre) less \$3,600 (previous grant) = \$16,000; with the payable amount being \$13,000 (130 acres x \$100/acre) plus \$2,400 (60 acres x \$40/acre) less \$3,000 (6 acres x \$500) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$12,400. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.12 Pump & Panel Upgrade – Jacob De Jager & Carla De Jager-Unser – Parcel A of SW 09-14-

- 13
- Assessment: 71 acres; 8 acres transferred out for GA (motion 2018-01-027)
- Installing: pump & panel upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 71 acres, all under wiper pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-01-031 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Jacob De Jager & Carla De Jager-Unser for the pump and panel upgrade in Parcel A of SW 09-14-13 W4M quoted at \$17,845. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$7,100 (71 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$7,100. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 9.01.2.13 Pivot Replacement G.W.K. Farms Ltd. & Kelly Farms Ltd. (Gail Kelly) Sec. 34, Pt. NW 35 & Pt. NW 27-21-18 W4M
 - Assessment: 388 acres
 - Installing: replacement pivot; 55 additional acres needed (approved through irrigation development application)
 - New Assessment: 443 acres wiper pivot
 - Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-01-032 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for G.W.K. Farms Ltd. & Kelly Farms Ltd. (Gail Kelly) for the replacement pivot in Sec. 34, Pt. NW 35 & Pt. NW 27-21-18 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$38,800 (388 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$18,500 (50 acres x \$300/acre + 5 acres x \$700/acre). Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 9.01.2.14 Pump & Base Station Upgrade Kanegawa Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) NE 22-15-15
 - Assessment: 135 acres
 - Installing: pump & base station upgrade; keeping 17 acres in corners
 - Assessment remains the same at 135 acres (118 wiper pivot, 17 corners)
 - Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-01-033 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Kanegawa Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) for the pump & base statiion upgrade in NE 22-15-15 W4M quoted at \$17,215. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$11,800 (118 acres x

\$100/acre) less \$8,500 (17 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$3,300. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.15 Pump & Base Station Upgrade – Kanegawa Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) – NW 26-15-15

- Assessment: 145 acres
- Installing: pump & base station upgrade; separate 13 acre field W of road
- Assessment remains the same at 145 acres (132 pivot, 13 separate field)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-01-034 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Kanegawa Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) for the pump & base station upgrade in NW 26-15-15 W4M quoted at \$20,810. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$13,200 (132 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.16 Base Station Upgrade – Kanegawa Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) – SW 26-15-15 W4M

- Assessment: 110 acres (80 irrigation, 30 terminable)
- Installing: pump & base station upgrade; keeping 4 acres in corners;
 - separate 73 acres of flood fields S of pivot and W of road and canal
- Assessment remains the same at 110 acres (33 wiper pivot, 4 corners, 73 separate fields)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-01-035 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Kanegawa Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) for the pump & base station upgrade in SW 26-15-15 W4M quoted at \$3,790. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$3,300 (33 acres x \$100/acre) less \$2,000 (4 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$1,300. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.17 Pump, Panel & Base Station Upgrade – Kanegawa Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) – NE 27-15-15 W4M

- Assessment: 156 acres
- Installing: pump, panel & base station upgrade; keeping 20 acres in corners
- Assessment remains the same at 156 acres (136 pivot, 20 corners)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-01-036 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Kanegawa Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) for the pump, panel & base station upgrade in NE 27-15-15 W4M quoted at \$27,820. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$13,600 (136 acres x \$100/acre) less \$10,000 (20 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$3,600. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.18 Pump & Base Station Upgrade – Kanegawa Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) – NW 27-15-15

- Assessment: 150 acres
- Installing: pump & base station upgrade; keeping 15 acres in corners
- Assessment remains the same at 150 acres (135 pivot, 15 corners)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-01-037 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Kanegawa Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) for the pump & base station upgrade in NW 27-15-15 W4M quoted

at \$25,460. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$13,500 (135 acres x 100/acre) less \$7,500 (15 acres x 500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$6,000. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.19 Pump & Base Station Upgrade – Kanegawa Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) – SE 27-15-15

- Assessment: 137 acres
- Installing: pump & base station upgrade; keeping 2 acres in corners
- Assessment remains the same at 137 acres (135 pivot, 2 corners)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-01-038 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Kanegawa Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) for the pump & base station upgrade in SE 27-15-15 W4M quoted at \$20,270. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$13,500 (135 acres x \$100/acre) less \$1,000 (2 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$12,500. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 9.01.2.20 Pump & Base Station Upgrade Kanegawa Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) SW 27-15-15
 - Assessment: 150 acres
 - Installing: pump & base station upgrade
 - Assessment remains the same at 150 acres, all under corner arm pivot
 - Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-01-039 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Kanegawa Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) for the pump & base station upgrade in SW 27-15-15 W4M quoted at \$21,000. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$15,000 (150 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.21 Panel Upgrade – Alfred & Nancy Klassen – SW & Pt. SE 36-22-17 W4M

- Assessment: 157 acres
- Installing: panel upgrade; keeping 3 acres in corners
- Previous Grant: \$8,596 (motion 2002-12-219)
- Assessment remains the same at 157 acres (154 corner arm pivot, 3 corners)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-01-040 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Alfred & Nancy Klassen for the panel upgrade in SW & Pt. SE 36-22-17 W4M quoted at \$12,604. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$15,700 (157 acres x \$100/acre) less \$8,596 (previous grant) = \$7,104; with the payable amount being \$6,969 (154 acres x \$45.25/acre) less \$1,500 (3 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$5,469. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.22 Pump & Panel Upgrade – Alfred & Nancy Klassen and Dwayne & Teresa Klassen – Pt. NE 27 & SE 27-22-17 W4M and Pt. NW 26 & Pt. SW 26-22-17 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 211 acres (207 irrigation, 4 terminable)
- Current Assessment: 271 acres; 10 acres transferred out for General Assessment
- Installing: pump & panel upgrade
- New Assessment: 261 acres (NW 7, SW 61, SE 144, NE 49)

2018-01-041 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Alfred & Nancy Klassen and Dwayne & Teresa Klassen for the pump & panel upgrade in Sec. 27-22-17 W4M quoted at \$15,316. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$20,700 (207 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$15,316. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.23 Panel Upgrade – Greg & Rosemarie Klassen – NE 26-22-17 W4M

- Current Assessment: 133 acres
 - Installing: panel upgrade; 2 additional acres are needed
- New Assessment: 135 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-01-042 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Greg & Rosemarie Klassen for the panel upgrade in NE 26-22-17 W4M quoted at \$12,604. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,300 (133 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$12,604. The capital assets charge is \$600 (2 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.24 Pump & Base Station Upgrade – S-Scan Farms Ltd (Stuart Kanegawa) – NW 03-15-13 W4M

- Assessment: 136 acres
- Installing: pump & base station upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 136 acres (133 pivot, 3 corners)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-01-043 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for S-Scan Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) for the pump and base station upgrade in NW 03-15-13 W4M quoted at \$17,680. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,600 (136 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$13,300 (133 acres x \$100/acre) less \$1,500 (3 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$11,800. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.25 Base Station Upgrade – S-Scan Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) – NE 04-15-13 W4M

- Assessment: 139 acres
- Installing: base station upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 139 acres (136 pivot, 3 corners)
- 2018-01-044 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for S-Scan Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) for the base station upgrade in NE 04-15-13 W4M quoted at \$2,130. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,900 (139 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$2,130 less \$1,500 (3 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$630. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.26 Pump & Base Station Upgrade – S-Scan Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) – SW 08-15-13 W4M

- Assessment: 142 acres
- Installing: pump & base station upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 142 acres (136 pivot, 6 corners)
- 2018-01-045 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for S-Scan Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) for the pump and base station upgrade in SW 08-15-13 W4M quoted at

\$10,750. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$14,200 (142 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$10,750 less \$1,500 (3 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$7,750. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 9.01.2.27 Pump & Base Station Upgrade S-Scan Farms Ltd (Stuart Kanegawa) NW 17-15-13 W4M
 - Assessment: 145 acres
 - Installing: pump & base station upgrade
 - Assessment remains the same at 145 acres (133 pivot, 12 corners)
- 2018-01-046 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for S-Scan Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) for the pump and base station upgrade in NW 17-15-13 W4M quoted at \$9,090. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$14,500 (145 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$9,090 less \$6,000 (12 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$3,090. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 9.01.2.28 Pump & Base Station Upgrade S-Scan Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) SW 17-15-13 W4M
 - Assessment: 146 acres
 - Installing: pump & base station upgrade
 - Assessment remains the same at 146 acres (134 pivot, 12 corners)

2018-01-047 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for S-Scan Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) for the pump and base station upgrade in SW 17-15-13 W4M quoted at \$17,215. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$14,600 (146 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$13,400 (134 acres x \$100/acre) less \$6,000 (12 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$7,400. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.29 Pivot Replacement – S-Scan Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) – SW 20-15-13 W4M

- Assessment: 143 acres
- Installing: replacement pivot
- Assessment remains the same at 143 acres (133 pivot, 10 corners)
- 2018-01-048 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for S-Scan Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) for the pivot replacement in SW 20-15-13 W4M quoted at \$96,980. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$14,300 (143 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$13,300 (133 acres x \$100/acre) less \$5,000 (10 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$8,300. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.30 Pump & Base Station Upgrade – S-Scan Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) – NW 22-15-15

W4M

- Previous Assessment: 100 acres
- Current Assessment: 103 acres
- Installing: pump & base station upgrade; separate 20 acre field
- Assessment remains the same at 103 acres (72 wiper pivot, 11 corners, 20 separate field)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding

- 2018-01-049 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for S-Scan Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) for the pump and base station upgrade in NW 22-15-15 W4M quoted at \$19,040. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$10,000 (100 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$7,200 (72 acres x \$100/acre) less \$5,500 (11 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$1,700. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 9.01.2.31 Pump & Base Station Upgrade S-Scan Farms Ltd (Stuart Kanegawa) NW 23-15-15 W4M
 - Assessment: 117 acres
 - Installing: pump & base station upgrade; separate 36 acre field
 - Assessment remains the same at 117 acres (68 wiper pivot, 13 corners, 36 separate field)
 - Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-01-050 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for S-Scan Farms Ltd. (Stuart Kanegawa) for the pump and base station upgrade in NW 23-15-15 W4M quoted at \$17,215. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$11,700 (117 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$6,800 (68 acres x \$100/acre) less \$6,500 (13 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$300. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- **9.01.2.32** Pump, Panel & Nozzle Upgrade Christine Wennekers & Daniel Baumgarten NE 22-14-13 It was requested that this application be brought back with more information.
- 9.01.2.33 Pump, Panel & Nozzle Upgrade Christine Wennekers & Daniel Baumgarten NW 22-14-13 W4M

It was requested that this application be brought back with more information.

9.01.2.34 Pump, Panel & Nozzle Upgrade – Christine Wennekers & Daniel Baumgarten – SW 22-14-13 W4M

It was requested that this application be brought back with more information.

- 9.01.3 Irrigable Unit Discharges & Registration George & Beatrice Niznik, Bradley & Kristen Niznik, Bruce & Jodi Niznik (various)
 Historically there are 2 separate irrigable units registered for these lands. Now the pivot in N ½ 35-18-16 W4M shares a turnout with the new development in S ½ 35 & N ½ 25, requiring that both existing irrigable units be discharged and a new all encompassing one registered.
- 2018-01-051 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the discharge of an Irrigable Unit on Pt. SW 26 & NW 26-18-16 W4M, all lands being owned by George & Beatrice Niznik, Bradley & Kristen Niznik, and Bruce & Jodi Niznik. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-01-052 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the discharge of an Irrigable Unit on NW 26, Pt. NE 26, SW 35 & SE 35-18-16 W4M, all lands being owned by George & Beatrice Niznik, Bradley & Kristen Niznik, and Bruce & Jodi Niznik. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-01-053 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the registration of an Irrigable Unit on Pt. SW 26, NW 26, Pt. NE 26 and Sec. 35-18-16 W4M, lands being owned by George & Beatrice

Niznik, Bradley & Kristen Niznik, and Bruce & Jodi Niznik. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[1:07 p.m. S. Connauton exited the meeting.]

10.0 Director & Staff Confidentiality Agreements

A Director requested that confidentiality agreements for all Board members and staff be discussed and the implementation of such considered as there is some personal and confidential information that is made available in the course of regular District business. The fiduciary responsibility of directors, expectations of staff and a number of other factors and concerns were discussed regarding formalized agreements. Mr. Friesen was directed to seek legal advice and comparisons from other districts.

11.0 New Irrigation Notice of Appeals

I. Friesen advised that 3 New Acre Irrigation Applications that were denied in November are being appealed through Irrigation Council: Kimberley Resch – SW 28 & S 29-15-13 W4M, Kirk Prescott – N 29 & SW 32-15-13 W4M, and George Murray V – E 31-18-13 W4M. In summarizing the process of the appeals, it was noted that:

- Sections 95 & 96 of the *Irrigation Districts Act* present the criteria for Assessment of Land and Application to Add Irrigation Acres; and Part 8 outlines Appeals
- written notice was sent to the denied applicants and included a statement of the right to appeal to Irrigation Council; subsequently notice of appeals were submitted to Council within 30 days
- Council will convene a panel of a minimum of 3 members and forward notice of hearings (this information has not yet been received)
- the hearing will follow an administrative justice or judicial model where the appellant will present, the District will present, cross examination will occur, followed by closing remarks
- Council may ask for information prior to the hearings, and there is a provision in the *Act* for mediation
- the hearing decision has to be made within 60 days unless an adjournment has been granted, but cannot exceed an adjournment of 45 days

Legal counsel will represent the District.

[1:27 p.m. – 1:32 p.m. Short break; N. Fontaine & R. Volek entered the meeting.]

9.0 Lands cont'd.

9.02 Grazing

9.02.1 Direction on Future Land Use

R. Volek presented information on the following idle parcels, asking for direction on land use, whether habitat, private grazing or community grazing.

9.02.1.1 Pt. SE 05 & Pt. SW 04-20-16 W4M (1 mile south of Hwy #1 rest stop)

Located approximately 2 miles east of the Snake Lake Reservoir, this parcel is fenced and has a dugout that can be filled from the canal to the west. The total area is 102 acres and if designated as a Private Grazing Lease the grazing capacity would be rated at 18 AUM.

2018-01-054 Moved by B. Chrumka that Pt. SE 05 & Pt. SW 04-20-16 W4M, approximately 102 acres, be tendered out as a long term Private Grazing Lease, with standard restrictions and requirements, expiring at the end of 2023, with the right to renew for a further 15 years. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

As per standard practice, existing fences will be evaluated, with the minimum bid price being based on that value. The Lessee will own and be required to maintain the fences, with any subsequent bidder being required to buy out the fences from the previous Lessee.

9.02.1.2 Pt. SW 07-22-17 W4M; Pt. NW, Pt. SW, Pt. NE & Pt. SE 12-22-18 W4M; Pt. NW 01-22-18 W4M; Pt. NE & Pt. SE 11-22-18 W4M; and Pt. NW, Pt. SW & Pt. NE 02-22-18 W4M (south and west of Crawling Valley Reservoir dam)

Located directly south of the Crawling Valley Reservoir, this parcel is fenced on 3 sides and has access to good water. The total area is 291 acres and if designated as a Private Grazing Lease the grazing capacity would be rated at 60 AUM.

2018-01-055 Moved by G. Murray that Pt. SW 07-22-17 W4M; Pt. NW, Pt. SW, Pt. NE & Pt. SE 12-22-18 W4M; Pt. NW 01-22-18 W4M; Pt. NE & Pt. SE 11-22-18 W4M; and Pt. NW, Pt. SW & Pt. NE 02-22-18 W4M, approximately 291 acres, be tendered out as a long term Private Grazing Lease, with standard restrictions and requirements, expiring at the end of 2023, with the right to renew for a further 15 years. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

As per standard practice, existing fences will be evaluated, with the minimum bid price being based on that value. The Lessee will own and be required to maintain the fences, with any subsequent bidder being required to buy out the fences from the previous Lessee. The District will fence off the toe of the dam at its expense and will retain ownership; the Lessee will be required to maintain this fence.

9.02.2 JBS Effluent Irrigation Project Update

R. Volek advised that for Phase 2 of the JBS effluent irrigation project, JBS has had soil testing completed and data has been forwarded to the District. Project plans have been adjusted to accommodate soils and it is now being proposed to install a 438 acre wiper pivot in Sec. 04-20-15 W4M and a 136 acre pivot in NE 33-19-15 W4M. JBS has also submitted information to Alberta Environment & Parks and approval is pending. Installation of approved project infrastructure will occur once approval from AEP is received. Since the agreement was drawn up July 6, 2017, JBS Food Canada ULC has sold the feedyard and adjacent farmland to MCF Holdings Ltd. A number of questions were responded to by R. Volek and N. Fontaine.

Direction was given for the agreement to remain between the EID and JBS, with JBS having a secondary agreement with MCF Holdings Ltd. as necessary. It was also directed that pending soils, the 1/4 section pivot in NE 33 be moved NE to fit into the south corners of the section wiper pivots, and that pivot wedges be fenced out, all to maximize remaining grazing pasture. Phase 2 pivots are to be owned and operated by JBS for effluent irrigation of crops.

- 2018-01-056 Moved by J. Culligan that Phase 2 of the JBS Effluent Irrigation Project be approved as presented, subject to the following to maximize remaining lands for Duchess Grazing Association:
 - the quarter section pivot as proposed in NW 33-19-15 W4M be shifted to the SE 04 and SW 03-20-15 W4M section pivot corners if soils allow, and
 - all wedges of non-irrigated land in both Phase 1 and Phase 2, that can efficiently be fenced out, be fenced out.

Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[2:33 p.m. N. Fontaine exited the meeting.]

9.02.3 Grazing Policy

A Board Member proposed the following, effective for the 2019 grazing season.

- 2018-01-057 Moved by G. Murray that the Policy Governing Eligibility and Operation of Pastures on EID Lands be revised as follows:
 - clause 2.3, "Purpose of Pastures on EID Lands" would read:
 - "The purpose of the Pastures, as made available by Agreement to any Association, is to provide equal opportunity for summer grazing of cattle owned by all qualified Irrigators and others who are Members of an Association."
 - clause 3.6, "Spousal Membership Limitations" would be omitted:
 - "Notwithstanding anything contained to the contrary, the Spouse of an Association Member is not eligible to become a member of a Grazing Association. "Spouse" in this Article refers to any person who cohabitates with the Member of the Association regardless of whether the spouse owns lands, individually or jointly, which if not a spouse of an Association Member would qualify that person as an eligible Applicant."

Seconded by J. Hale.

Directors requested the opportunity to discuss this matter with their Water Users, and for this motion to be presented at the spring Grazing Advisory Committee Meeting for discussion.

2018-01-058 Moved by R. Johnson that motion 2018-01-057 be tabled for further information. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[2:47 p.m. R. Volek exited the meeting.]

11.0 Donations

11.01 Donations Summary

For Directors information, I. Friesen presented data since 2005 regarding denied and approved requests for donations/contributions.

11.02 Request for Donation – Brooks & District Health Foundation

A letter was received from the Brooks & District Health Foundation requesting donation items for a fundraising event. This request was denied; a letter from the Board will be forwarded.

11.03 Request for Donation – City of Brooks Protective Services

A letter was received from the City of Brooks Protective Services requesting donation items for an appreciation gala. This request was denied; a letter from the Board will be forwarded.

12.0 Corporate Planning Follow Up

12.01 Direction on Proposed Solar Krafte Project

The EID proposes to lease land to Solar Krafte Utilities for a non-subsidized 450-megawatt solar photovoltaic facility (solar farm) on lands surrounding the ATCO DC converter station on Hwy #36. It is estimated the proposed project would occupy up to 5,000 acres of EID land that is currently used as community pasture. The proposed project is expected to be completed in one phase with commercial operations commencing in late 2020 and continuing over the next 35 years and beyond. The proposed project would tie directly into the ATCO Newell Substation.

- 2018-01-059 Moved by B. Chrumka that Administration move forward on negotiations with Solar Krafte for the proposed solar project in 18-15 W4M, surrounding the ATCO DC converter station on Hwy #36. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED
 IN FAVOUR B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, R. Johnson, G. Murray
 OPPOSED J. Hale, T. Brummelhuis
- 2018-01-060 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board resolve into the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-01-061 Moved by B. Chrumka that the meeting be reconvened. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13.0 Upcoming Events

- 13.01 Corporate Planning
- 13.02 Corporate Planning
- 13.03 Bow Bloc Meeting
- 13.04 Regular Board Meeting
- 13.05 Regular Board Meeting
- 13.06 Annual General Meeting
- Monday, January 22nd, 10:00 a.m.
- Tuesday, January 23rd, 10:00 a.m.
- Friday, January 26th, 10:00 a.m., EID Office
- Tuesday, February 27th, 9:00 a.m.
- Monday, March 19th, 9:00 a.m.
- Tuesday, March 20th, 1:30 p.m., Heritage Inn

G. Murray moved adjournment of the meeting at 3:14 p.m.

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General Manager

Chairman

February 27, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting

The Directors of the Eastern Irrigation District held a regular meeting on the 27th day of February, 2018. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Jason Hale	Director	[Division 1]
Mr. Jim Culligan	Director	[Division 2]
Mr. Ross Owen	Chair	[Division 3]
Mr. Rod Johnson	Director	[Division 4]
Mr. Tony Brummelhuis	Director	[Division 5]
Mr. Bob Chrumka	Vice-Chair	[Division 6]
Mr. George Murray V	Director	[Division 7]

Mr. Ivan Friesen Mr. Kevin Bridges Mrs. Wendy Enns General Manager Assistant GM – Corporate Services Executive Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

1.0 Approval of Agenda

R. Owen and G. Murray declared to the Board that they each have been approached by municipalities about applying waste water to their lands. This notice was given to Directors with respect to the Board's consideration of waste water and storm water conveyance agreements with municipalities, as recently discussed at the Corporate Planning sessions.

The following items were added to the agenda:

- 9.07 Review of Letter from Harold Brauer
- 10.01.2 Crawling Valley Campground
- 10.03.3 Letter to Suffield Grazing Association
- 10.03.6 Review of Anonymous Letter Sent to Directors, Administration and Staff
- 14.0 In-Camera Legal Items

The following item was moved from In-Camera to under Business Arising:

• 4.02 Director & Staff Confidentiality Agreements

2018-02-062 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board adopt the revised Agenda as amended. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.0 Approval of Minutes

2.01 January 18, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting

A discussion was held on listing public legal items in the minutes.

[9:20 a.m. G. Murray declared a pecuniary interest and exited the meeting.]

Discussion continued; the following was noted for addition to the minutes:

Page 16, 11.0 New Irrigation Notice of Appeals, add "Kimberley Resch – SW 28 & S 29-15-13 W4M, Kirk Prescott – N 29 & SW 32-15-13 W4M, and George Murray V – E 31-18-13 W4M" after the first sentence.

2018-02-063 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Minutes of the January 18, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting be approved as corrected. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[9:25 a.m. G. Murray rejoined the meeting.]

3.0 Reports on Meetings / Events

A Crawling Valley Recreation Society meeting matter will be discussed under Lands.

4.0 Business Arising

4.01 2018 Remuneration Bylaw

At January's meeting it was approved that the District's mileage rate be increased a cent, Director meal allowances not be raised, and that the cost-of-living increase not be applied for Director per diem rates for 2018.

2018-02-064 Moved by J. Culligan that Bylaw #923 (2018), being a Bylaw of the Eastern Irrigation District to Establish the Rate of Remuneration and Expenses for Directors, be read the third time and finally passed. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, R. Johnson, J. Hale, T. Brummelhuis OPPOSED – G. Murray

4.02 Director & Staff Confidentiality Agreements

In follow up to January's discussion regarding confidentiality agreements, Mr. Friesen presented a basic summary of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, noting that the Board and Staff of the District are bound by the *Act*. Legal counsel's opinion was also offered in that it would be very difficult to define things further than what the Act does, and that a Director would not be bound to sign a confidentiality agreement. As well, there were no other districts indicating that they have such agreements in place. It was deliberated whether the *Act* was specific enough and if Directors and Staff should sign an agreement as a reminder and to show a level of professionalism. Foreseeable issues arising from judging, policing and proving any breaches of confidence, or that Directors couldn't be demanded to sign an agreement, were also mentioned.

2018-02-065 Moved by J. Hale that the District adopt a confidentiality agreement for the board and staff to protect personal, confidential and private information of the water users. Seconded by R. Johnson. DEFEATED

IN FAVOUR – R. Johnson, G. Murray, J. Hale OPPOSED – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, T. Brummelhuis

5.0 Financial Report

K. Bridges presented the following Financial Report.

5.01 January 31, 2018 Financial Statements

The financial statements to January 31, 2018 were reviewed, noting the following overall:

- YTD revenues total about \$13.44 million and are tracking slightly (\$154,300) under YTD budget.
- YTD net operating expenses total about \$8.55 million and are tracking about 17% under YTD budget.

• YTD potential transfer to the IWF is about \$4.89 million. A number of questions were responded to by administration.

2018-02-066 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Financial Statements to January 31, 2018, as presented. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[9:58 a.m. - 10:01 a.m. Short break.]

5.02 Elections Update

Information has not yet been received concerning a request put forward from AIPA to Irrigation Council for the Minister of Agriculture & Forestry to make a regulation that would include irrigation districts in the definition of an elected authority. If the Minister has not made a decision in time for it to be dealt with at the March 19th meeting, the List of Electors Repealing Bylaw and Electoral Divisions Bylaw will be presented for 3rd and final reading. Passing those bylaws will make the EID compliant with the *Local Authorities Election Act* in its current form. If the Minister has made a decision by that time, it will be presented along with a recommendation for implementation.

A Director requested that term limits for Directors be discussed, citing that one other irrigation district has imposed these limitations, new ideas are brought in with new Directors and a term limit would eliminate new candidates having to challenge current Directors. It was defended that when this matter was brought forward in 2016 the legal opinion confirmed that districts cannot approve policy or bylaws which override or limit the *Irrigation Districts Act*. Furthermore, historical knowledge and experience, along with a democratic process for water users is considered a benefit. In response to the matter raised from the floor at the 2016 AGM, the Board imposed limits to the executive positions through the Quorum, Voting Procedures and Election of Officers bylaw.

2018-02-067 Moved by J. Hale that the District set policy to impose term limits for Directors at a maximum of 4 terms. Seconded by R. Johnson. DEFEATED IN FAVOUR – R. Johnson, G. Murray, J. Hale OPPOSED – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, T. Brummelhuis

6.0 EIDNet Report

There have been no major issues since the last report.

7.0 Equipment

7.01 Results of Bids on Sale of Grader and Truck & Pup

The following bids were received for the used grader, truck and pup.

Sale of Grader, Truck & Pup			
Company	Grader Bid	Truck & Pup Bid	
Century Auctions		\$67,500 + \$3,375.00 GST	
	\$157,400 + \$7,870 GST	\$13,500 + \$ 675.00 GST	
		= \$81,000 + \$4,050.00 GST	
Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers	\$156,000 + \$7,800 GST	\$71,000 + \$3,550.00 GST	

Michener Allen Auctioneering	\$121,800 + \$6,090 GST	\$58,800 + \$2,940.00 GST
W2 Construction	-	\$66,370 + \$3,318.50 GST

2018-02-068 Moved by B. Chrumka that the District sell the 2011 Deere 872GP Grader for \$157,400 + GST, the 2012 Mack Granite GU813 Tandem Axle Truck for \$67,500 + GST and the 2012 Tandem Pup for \$13,500 + GST to Century Auctions. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.0 **Operations**

8.01 Snowpack Report

Mr. Friesen advised on the status of the various snowpack pillows, noting that they are generally in the upper quartile and that the District reservoirs are at full winter levels.

[10:24 a.m. R. Gagley and J. Kabut entered the meeting.]

9.0 Engineering

R. Gagley presented the following Engineering Report.

9.01 Project Status

Activity and projects were summarized for the 2 pipelining and 1 open ditch construction crews. Pipe has been ordered, with installation planned to begin on the 12th of March for the JBS Effluent Irrigation Project.

EID CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS			
EARTHWORKS			
South Bantry Drain	- 55% complete		
PIPELINE			
05-C East Branch	- complete, ready for spring cleanup		
09 Rolling Hills	- complete, ready for spring cleanup		
08-H West Bantry	- 85% complete		
04 Scott Canal	- 95% complete		
M Tilley	- complete, ready for spring cleanup		
05 Rolling Hills - surveyed, detailed design & ROWs complete			
STRUCTURES			
17/18 Structure Program	7/18 Structure Program - 90% complete		
	IRP PROJECTS		
Sec A Rolling Hills	- complete, ready for spring cleanup		

9.02 3 Year Capital Rehabilitation Plan

The 3 Year Capital Rehabilitation Plan for the years 2018/2019 through 2021/2022 was presented for review at January's Corporate Planning sessions. Projects were summarized by year and it was advised that this plan, which also goes beyond the immediate 3 years, gives long term direction to the engineering department, with each project coming back to the Board for final approval.

2018-02-069 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the 3 Year Capital Rehabilitation Plan as presented, for years 2018/2019 to 2021/2022. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.03 9 Secondary A Rolling Hills

J. Kabut presented the 9 Secondary A Rolling Hills synopsis. This rehab project is located approximately 3 km NE of Rolling Hills and is slated for the 2018/2019 construction year. The existing system has seepage issues and supplies 2,119 acres, 97% of which are pivot. It is being proposed to install 3.0 km of closed gravity pipeline, tying into an existing pipeline at the end, for an estimated \$2,201,000 to be funded under the IRP program.

2018-02-070 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the 09 Secondary A Rolling Hills rehab project to install 3 km of closed gravity pipeline, at an estimated cost of \$2,201,000; to be funded under the IRP program. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[10:38 a.m. N. Fontaine entered the meeting.]

9.04 Potential Lore Reservoir Storage

Lore Reservoir expansion and hydropower investigation site plan was presented to the Directors. This highly preliminary study outlined a proposal for 3 earthen dams, 600 m, 1,500 m and 1,700 m in length, to create a 37,500 acre foot reservoir. The proposed project site would encompass an unnamed water body situated SW of Lore Lake, with the southernmost end reaching approximately 1.5 km from the Bow River. It is estimated that construction and land acquisition alone would top \$50 M. This reservoir would be a quarter the size of Lake Newell but would provide reservoir support to 95% of the portion of the District which is currently unsupported. A potential hydropower component would consist of using turbines to produce electricity during the day by running water continually out of the reservoir to the East Branch Canal. The reservoir would be refilled at night when electricity costs are cheaper, pumping from the East Branch Canal. Calculations forecast this aspect as being at best a breakeven endeavor at this point. A lengthy discussion was held and direction given to proceed with getting landowner permissions to bore sample cores on site.

Additional questions were also asked concerning Snake Lake Reservoir, with I. Friesen being requested to bring back information regarding the level options and height of Snake Lake dam.

9.05 JBS Effluent Irrigation Project Update

In follow up to last month's meeting, it was advised that the quarter section pivot in NE 33 was not able to be shifted due to soils and road allowance, but the section pivot in 04 was kept to the NW, NE & SE quarters. Fencing has been realigned to maximize community pasture. Pipe has been ordered and it is scheduled to begin installation March 12th.

9.06 RHR Campground – Boat Launch & Parking Lot Estimates

From a request at Corporate Planning, an estimate for a gravel parking area and concrete boat launch at the south end of the Rolling Hills Reservoir Campground was presented to the Board. The estimate to construct a concrete boat launch, dock, gravel parking pad, lighting, bathroom and garbage facilities, and due to a large quantity of dirt to remove from this location, was estimated at \$990,000. Options of building a parking area above the top tier of the campground or extending the existing marina area to the north were discussed, along with associated issues. It was requested that additional options with estimates be brought back to the Board.

9.07 Review of Letter from Harold Brauer

T. Brummelhuis advised that he received a copy of a previous letter from Harold Brauer to the District regarding longstanding concerns of a decommissioned ditch, change in delivery point, and tree removal. R. Gagley reviewed his onsite meetings with Mr. Brauer and knowledge of the matter. Mr. Brummelhuis and Mr. Gagley will speak again with Harold Brauer to discuss what options might be available to him.

10.0 Lands

10.01 Lands, Oil & Gas

N. Fontaine presented the following Lands, Oil & Gas items.

10.01.1 Rolling Hills Reservoir Campground – Set 2018 Rates

A review was provided of local camping rates and the District's rates for last year. The Board was in favour of no increases for 2018, with the exception of including the Lower Marina seasonal sites in the Waterfront seasonal sites bracket.

2018-02-071 Moved by R. Johnson that the 2018 rates at the Rolling Hills Reservoir Campground for:

• Camping be set at:

- \$35/night, including GST, on all daily sites,
- \$1,800/season, plus GST, for Upper Tier, Marina Upper Tier and all of Section B seasonal sites,
- \$2,000/season, plus GST, for Waterfront and Lower Marina seasonal sites;
- \$500 for the Seasonal Application Fee (payable towards the full seasonal fee); and
- Boat Slips be set at:
 - \$10/day, including GST,
 - \$60/week, including GST,
 - \$450/season, plus GST; and

• \$450, plus GST, for the Seasonal Application Fee (payable as the full seasonal fee). Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2018-02-072 Moved by R. Johnson that the 2018 Camping Season at the Rolling Hills Reservoir Campground open Monday, May 14th and close at noon Thursday, September 6th. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.01.2 Crawling Valley Campground

It was requested that estimates for a rehabbed boat launch and a new boat launch at Crawling Valley Campground be brought back to the Board. A timeline for the shower house completion is also to be confirmed.

[11:37 a.m. R. Gagley and J. Kabut exited the meeting.]

10.01.3 Rolling Hills Reservoir Campground – Rule Changes

Changes to the current campground rules and procedures are as follows:

- The seasonal draw for water users is to be set for a day prior to the draw for the general public.
- 30% (21) of a variety of sites are to be preselected for the water users draw.

- Water users will be able to reserve daily sites up to 48 hours in advance, with payment by credit card, of the first night's stay; the water user making the reservation must be the camper staying on the site.
- Extending a stay, up to the maximum 2 weeks, is allowed only if that site has not been reserved; re-registration with payment must be done 48 hours in advance of leaving to keep priority.

N. Fontaine was asked to bring back information regarding the possible use of golf carts in the campground.

[11:45 a.m. D. Buell entered the meeting.]

10.01.4 Set Seismic Rate

Seismic rates are set annually. The existing rates and infrequency of adjustments were reviewed, with approval to increase the rates to comparative values.

[11:46 a.m. R. Johnson exited the meeting.]

2018-02-073 Moved by J. Hale that the seismic rates for 2018 be:

- \$2,250/mile for source lines,
- \$1,450/mile for receiver lines, and

• \$500/mile for off right-of-way access Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.02 Habitat, Wildlife & Access

D. Buell presented the following Habitat, Wildlife & Access items.

10.02.1 2017 Access, Signage & Wildlife Summary

The year was summarized as normal in many respects, although non-compliance issues such as open fires on District land saw an increase, possibly a result of increased traffic in the prairies due to fires in the mountains.

[11:50 a.m. R. Johnson rejoined the meeting.]

Access

- 201 individuals applied for hunting access permission, which is above average
- 16 individuals and the Lake Newell Condominium Assoc. applied for permission to trap, which is also above average
- requests for target shooting were directed to local gun clubs, no requests were received for sustenance hunting and the Calgary Police Service sniper unit was accommodated for 2 days
- Lake Newell Reservoir, Rolling Hills Reservoir and Crawling Valley Reservoir lands are popular for day use in summer; some minor random camping activities were noted
- off-highway vehicle use occurs most frequently at Eyremore Gravel Pit, with Rosemary and Patricia Grazing seeing minimal use this year
- highest use areas for hunting are Duchess, Rosemary and Gem (Finnegan Field) grazing associations, followed by Newell (Scandia Ranch) and Patricia (Princess)
- additional help patrolling EID lands and campgrounds is gained from the County Peace Officers, Provincial Parks Conservation Officers, Fish & Wildlife Officers and the RCMP
- 36 non-compliance information tickets were handed out, mostly for driving off designated routes, as well as for open fires and random camping

- 30 watercraft were inspected (20 at RHRCG and 10 at CVCG), with about half of the boats being from outside the District but still from Alberta
- minimal issues were noted during early hunting season, with some off trail issues around reservoirs; later in the season there were quite a few more issues

<u>Signage</u>

- over 300 gate signs listing primary EID access rules on community pasture access points were installed; remaining signs will be installed in 2018
- over 80 zero disturbance sign posts with designated route directional signs were installed
- 7 large designated route/access rules signs were installed

Research Access

• 9 non-EID research projects are ongoing on District lands

Ducks Unlimited

• a total of 26,316 ac ft was conveyed for DU projects; above average but at 85% of their license

<u>Wildlife</u>

• revisions to the Wildlife Map & Guide are underway

Aquatic Invasive Species

- chemical spraying and monitoring of Phragmites Australis sites are ongoing
- no evidence of invasive mussels found on Little Dam or reservoir substrates
- workshops being planned for staff and summer student awareness and education
- continued program of public awareness through handing out fliers and speaking with boaters

10.02.2 Edmonton & Calgary Pointing Dog Clubs – Request to hold Trials

A request to use District land was received from the Edmonton and Calgary Pointing Dog Clubs. Several sections of land would be required and it was also requested to allow participant onlocation camping. A short discussion was held with the consensus to approve the access to select lands. Camping on-site was not allowed; Clubs are to be directed to use a local campground such as Crawling Valley or Emerson Bridge.

2018-02-074 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the use of EID land for pointing dog trials sponsored by the Edmonton and Calgary Pointing Dog Clubs, as follows:

- for the weekend of September 7, 8 & 9, 2018,
- on sections of land in Finnegan Field and possibly Rosemary Grazing community pasture, as designated by D. Buell and R. Volek,
- with the requirement that the sites are not site/species sensitive, and
- the Clubs be required to provide proof of \$5,000,000 liability insurance and have a release signed by those participating.

Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[12:03 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. Lunch break; D. Buell exited the meeting, R. Volek entered.]

10.03 Grazing

R. Volek presented the following Grazing items.

10.03.1 Request to Lease Land - 1184989 AB Ltd. (Barry Fleming) - NW 07-17-15 W4M

A request was received from 1184989 AB Ltd. (Barry Fleming) to lease approximately 30 acres in NW 07-17-15 W4M. This parcel is isolated by the Bow Slope Canal and roadway and prior to the adjacent land trade to the west, was part of Newell Grazing Association. The triangular parcel is fenced on the east and south sides only and does not have access to any water. The parcel is directly north of land owned by Mr. Fleming and a previous request to rent was denied because Newell Grazing was still using this piece; it has since been determined that it is no longer required. Discussion involved appraising the land and tendering for sale, tendering for lease, the prior land trade that affected this parcel and leasing to the adjacent landowner.

2018-02-075 Moved by J. Culligan that Pt. NW 07-17-15 W4M, approximately 30 acres, be leased to 1184989 Alberta Ltd. (Barry Fleming) as a 6 year Private Grazing Lease, with standard restrictions and requirements, expiring at the end of 2023. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED

IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, J. Hale, T. Brummelhuis OPPOSED – R. Johnson, G. Murray

10.03.2 Letter from Hays/Bow Island

As information, a letter from Hays Stock Grazing Association and Bow Island Stock Grazing Association was provided to the Board. The request to meet with the Board was denied by Administration as all options and recommendations were discussed with Directors in 2016 and clear direction given when approving the Associations' request for water for livestock watering.

10.03.3 Letter to Suffield Grazing Co-Op

R. Owen advised that Suffield Grazing Co-Op, after reading a recent newspaper article, has concerns that the EID may be interested in acquiring grazing land which they have been leasing. Another Director and staff confirmed receiving phone calls as well. It was requested that a letter be forwarded to Suffield Grazing Co-Op assuring them that the EID is not interested in obtaining grazing pasture outside District boundaries.

- [12:55 p.m. J. Hale declared a pecuniary interest and exited the meeting.]
- [12:56 p.m. S. Connauton entered the meeting.]

10.03.4 PGL #7294 & #7293 - Tender Results

The following new Private Grazing Lease was tendered as long term, with standard restrictions and requirements, expiring at the end of 2023, with the right to renew for a further 15 years. Of the tenders received, one was not eligible as he did not meet the residency requirement.

PGL # 7294 278 acres	60 AUM (south & west of Crawling Valley Reservoir Dam)		
Bidder	Amount	GST	Comments
Brad Hale	\$7,250	\$362.50	- not eligible (not a resident)
Jason & Margaret Hale	\$6,750	\$337.50	-

2018-02-076 Moved by J. Culligan that Private Grazing Lease #7294 be awarded to Jason & Margaret Hale. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[1:06 p.m. J. Hale rejoined the meeting.]

[1:06 p.m. R. Johnson declared a pecuniary interest and exited the meeting.]

The proposed new Private Grazing Lease consisting of 98 acres (18 AUM) 1 mile south of the Hwy #1 rest stop was tendered as long term, with standard restrictions and requirements, expiring at the end of 2023, with the right to renew for a further 15 years. No tenders were received. It was requested that land value information be brought back to the Board for further discussion on PGL #7293.

[1:19 p.m. R. Johnson rejoined the meeting.]

10.03.5 PGL #7067 (McNally) – Lease being Turned Back to EID

Private Grazing Lease #7067, located on the north end of Rolling Hills, has been turned back to the District as the leaseholder has sold his land and is no longer eligible to hold the lease. The 15 year lease was set to expire in 2023 and was transferrable to family members only. A lengthy discussion covered potential irrigation development, soils, encroachments, drain location and considerable fencing costs (2 1/8 mile fence installation required). It was consensus to gain maximum lease revenue on this parcel of grass in the interim, until these matters can be dealt with and due to the fencing situation, it was directed to remove the deduction from community grazing requirement. It was also directed that a letter be sent to the encroaching landowner that when development does occur on these parcels, they will have to make corrections to their infrastructure to stay within their parcel boundaries.

2018-02-077 Moved by R. Johnson that Private Grazing Lease #7067, approximately 623 acres, be tendered out as follows:

- as a 6 year Private Grazing Lease, expiring at the end of 2023,
- with standard restrictions and requirements except that no deduction be taken if listing in a community grazing association,
- the lessee being required to keep all cattle contained to the lease, assuming all liability, and
- any fence improvements made by the lessee will not be reimbursed by the District. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.03.6 Review of Anonymous Letter Sent to Directors, Administration and Staff

Upon request, a copy of an anonymous letter received January 13, 2016 regarding the District's grazing policy, and in particular spousal limitations, was provided to all current Directors. Several particulars were noted with this letter, the most concerning being that it was transposed onto McMillan LLP letterhead. It was requested that this document be provided at the GAC Meeting as well, in conjunction with the motion to eliminate spousal restrictions from the Grazing Policy.

[1:51 p.m. Short break; N. Fontaine and R. Volek exited the meeting.]

10.04 Assessment, Water & Lands

S. Connauton presented the following Assessment, Water & Lands items.

10.04.1 Alternate Parcel Transfer – John Miller S 1/2 23-17-17 W4M to Bow City Hutterite Colony

For the 2018 season, John Miller is requesting to transfer 80 irrigation acres from S ¹/₂ 23-17-17 W4M to Bow City Hutterian Brethren as follows: 19 acres to Sec. 27-17-17 W4M for an end gun, 17 acres to Sec. 29-17-17 W4M for an end gun, and 44 acres to Sec. 34-17-17 W4M to complete a pivot.

2018-02-078 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the annual transfer of 80 irrigation acres from John Miller in S 1/2 23-17-17 W4M to Bow City Hutterian Brethren:

- 19 acres in Sec. 27-17-17 W4M,
- 17 acres in Sec. 29-17-17 W4M, and
- 44 acres in Sec. 34-17-17 W4M.

Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2 Farm Improvement Grant Applications

All new Farm Improvement Grants are subject to a reduction of \$500/acre for any corner acres or acres kept outside the pivot area; and a reduction for any previous grants received on that parcel. For any irrigation acres which are returned to the District, the EID will pay \$1,000/acre. For infill irrigation acres purchased, the capital assets charge is \$300/acre. With proof of installation, applications will be considered on a 2 year retroactive basis; with any approvals based on the grant values at the time of installation.

<u>Conversions</u> (wheels, pivot, sub-surface)

The EID will pay up to \$100/irrigated acre for conversions, as per policy.

10.04.2.1 Flood to Pivot - 1186462 AB Ltd. (Laverne Klassen) - NW 07-21-15 W4M

- Assessment: 47 acres
- Converting: 37 acres flood to wiper pivot; 10 separate flood field
- Assessment remains the same at 47 acres (37 wiper pivot, 10 flood)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-02-079 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for 1186462 AB Ltd. (Laverne Klassen) for the conversion of 37 acres flood to pivot in NW 07-21-15 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$3,700 (37 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.2 Flood to Pivot – Peter & Elizabeth Conacher – SE 16-20-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 89 acres
- Current Assessment: 120 acres
- Previous Grant: \$7,476 on 89 acres (motion 2015-08-184)
- Converting: 89 acres flood to pivot (top up grant)
- Assessment remains the same at 120 acres, all under pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-02-080 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Peter & Elizabeth Conacher for the conversion of 89 acres flood to pivot in SE 16-20-13 W4M. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$8,900 (89 acres x \$100/acre) less \$7,476 (previous grant) = \$1,424. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.3 Flood to Pivot – Logan Hopp and Landon Hopp – SE 32-21-16 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 60 irrigation acres and 42 terminable acres
 - Current Assessment: 102 irrigation acres
 - Converting: 60 acres flood to wiper pivot; 14 additional acres needed
 - New Assessment: 116 acres, all under pivot
 - Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding

- 2018-02-081 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Logan Hopp and Landon Hopp for the conversion of 60 acres flood to pivot in SE 32-21-16 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$6,000 (60 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$4,200 (14 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY [rescinded by motion 2018-06-304]
 - 10.04.2.4 Flood to Pivot and Term to 1st Conversion Cameron Ovinge SW 12-16-16 W4M
 - Current Assessment: 28 irrigation acres and 28 terminable acres
 - Converting: 28 acres flood to wiper pivot; 6 additional acres needed
 - New Assessment: 62 acres, all under pivot
 - Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-02-082 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the conversion of 28 terminable acres to irrigation acres in SW 12-16-16 W4M at \$100/acre capital assets charge = \$2,800; lands being owned by Cameron Ovinge. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-02-083 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Cameron Ovinge for the conversion of 28 acres flood to pivot in SW 12-16-16 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$2,800 (28 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$1,800 (6 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

<u>Upgrades</u> (panels, nozzles, drag hoses, pivots, pumps) Upon receipt, the EID will pay up to \$100/irrigated acre for upgrades, as per policy.

and <u>Corner Irrigation</u> (*corner arm, corner pivot, sub-surface*) The EID will pay up to \$700/irrigated acre for pivot or subsurface conversions on corner acres which already have assessment, as per policy.

10.04.2.5 Panel & Pump Upgrade – 714296 Alberta Ltd. (Martin Wiebe) and Ron Wiebe Farms Ltd. (Ronald Wiebe) – NE & SE 25-20-15 W4M

- Assessment: 296 acres (2 pivots & 1 small wiper pivot)
- Installing: panel & pump upgrade; 22 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 318 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-02-084 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for 714296 Alberta Ltd. (Martin Wiebe) and Ron Wiebe Farms Ltd. (Ron Wiebe) for the panel and pump upgrade in NE & SE 25-20-15 W4M quoted at \$25,329. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$29,600 (296 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$25,329. The capital assets charge is \$6,600 (22 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.6 Panel Upgrade – 768976 Alberta Ltd. (Brent Schroeder) – SE 11-18-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 62 acres
- Previous Grant: \$3,576 (motion 2004-01-08)
- Installing: panel upgrade (top up grant)
- Assessment remains the same at 62 acres, all under wiper pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-02-085 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for 768976 Alberta Ltd. (Brent Schroeder) for the panel upgrade in SE 11-18-13 W4M quoted at \$8,500. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$6,200 (62 acres x \$100/acre) less \$3,576 (previous grant) = \$2,624. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.7 Panel Upgrade – 768976 Alberta Ltd. (Brent Schroeder) – SW 12-18-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 124 acres
- Previous Grant: \$7,153 (motion 2004-01-008)
- Installing: panel upgrade (top up grant); 3 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 127 acres, all under wiper pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-02-086 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for 768976 Alberta Ltd. (Brent Schroeder) for the panel upgrade in SW 11-18-13 W4M quoted at \$8,500. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$12,400 (124 acres x \$100/acre) less \$7,153 (previous grant) = \$5,247. The capital assets charge is \$900 (3 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.8 Pivot Replacement – C.O. Johnson & Sons Ranches (Blaine Johnson and Warren Johnson) – SE 23-15-15 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 137 acres (134 in SE 23, 3 in Pt. NE 14)
- Current Assessment: 138 acres (135 in SE 23, 3 in Pt. NE 14) (1 acre transferred in
 - through general assessment)
- Installing: replacement pivot
- New Assessment: 138 acres, all under pivot (135 SE 23, 3 Pt. NE 14)
- SE 23 has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-02-087 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for C.O. Johnson & Sons Ranches (Blaine Johnson and Warren Johnson) for the pivot replacement in Pt. NE 14 & SE 23-15-15 W4M quoted at \$98,239. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$13,800 (138 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.9 Pump & Panel Upgrade – Donald & Karen Daniels – SE 34-14-14 W4M

- Current Assessment: 126 acres
- Installing: panel & pump upgrade; 1 additional acre needed
- New Assessment: 127 acres, all under pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-02-088 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Donald & Karen Daniels for the panel and pump upgrade in SE 34-14-14 W4M quoted at \$15,520. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$12,600 (126 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$300 (1 acre x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.10 Pivot Replacement w/CA – Douglass Agro Ltd. (Russell & Pam Douglass) – Sec. 36-23-16

- Assessment: 450 acres
 Installing: replacement pivot with corner arm; 66 additional acres needed (approved through irrigation development application)
 Now Assessment: 516 acres all under pivot (450 pivot 66 corner arm)
- New Assessment: 516 acres, all under pivot (450 pivot, 66 corner arm)

- Parcels have reached their maximum grant funding
- 2018-02-089 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Douglass Agro Ltd. (Russell & Pam Douglass) for the pivot replacement in Sec. 36-23-16 W4M quoted at \$263,125. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$45,000 (450 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$26,200 (50 acres x \$300/acre + 16 acres x \$700/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 10.04.2.11 Pivot Replacement D.R.W. Farms Ltd. (Darwyne Wood) and Darwyne Wood Sec. 08-22-17 W4M
 - Assessment: 246 acres
 - Installing: replacement pivot; 13 additional acres needed
 - New Assessment: 259 acres
 - Parcels have reached their maximum grant funding
- 2018-02-090 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for D.R.W. Farms Ltd. (Darwyne Wood) and Darwyne Wood for the pivot replacement in Sec. 08-22-17 W4M quoted at \$140,997. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$24,600 (246 acres x \$100/acre), conditional on the end gun not being installed on the pivot. The capital assets charge is \$20,700 (13 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.12 Panel & Corner Arm – Eastwood Farms (Tjark Stikker) – NW 24-14-14 W4M

- Assessment: 142 acres
- Installing: panel upgrade and corner arm; (1 acre to be transferred out)
- New Assessment: 141 acres, all under pivot (126 pivot, 15 corner arm)
- 2018-02-091 Moved by R. Johnson that motion 2017-12-445 be rescinded. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-02-092 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Eastwood Farms (Tjark Stikker) for the panel upgrade quoted at \$2,400 and corner arm in NW 24-14-14 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$12,900 (\$2,400 + 15 acres x \$700/acre). Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.13 Pump & Panel Upgrade – Eastwood Farms (Tjark Stikker) – SE 26-14-14 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 141 acres (14 acres added through Farm Improvement)
- Current Assessment: 155 acres
- Previous Grant: \$7,500 (motion 2001-01-013)
- Installing: pump & panel upgrade (top up grant); keeping 4 acres outside pivot
- Assessment remains the same at 155 acres (151 pivot, 4 corners)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-02-093 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Eastwood Farms (Tjark Stikker) for the pump and panel upgrade in SE 26-14-14 W4M quoted at \$13,650. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$14,100 (141 acres x \$100/acre) less \$7,500 (previous grant) = \$6,600, with the payable amount being

\$6,600 less \$2,000 (4 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$4,600. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.14 Transfer – Eastwood Farms (Tjark Stikker) - various

The landowner is requesting to transfer various acres to accommodate a corner arm in SW 29-14-13 W4M.

2018-02-094 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the transfer of:

- 13 irrigation acres from SE 01-15-14 W4M,
- 2 irrigation acres from SW 36-14-14 W4M, and
- 9 irrigation acres from NW 25-14-14 W4M

to SW 29-14-13 W4M, all lands being owned by Eastwood Farms (Tjark Stikker). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.15 Pump, Panel & Corner Arm – Eastwood Farms (Tjark Stikker) – SW 29-14-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 68 acres (irrigation development in 2000 increased parcel to 130 acres)
- Current Assessment: 154 acres (24 acres transferred in, motion 2018-02-094)
- Installing: panel & pump upgrade and corner arm
- Assessment remains the same at 154 acres, all under pivot (137 pivot, 17 corner arm)

2018-02-095 Moved by R. Johnson that motions 2017-12-447 and 2017-12-449 be rescinded. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2018-02-096 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Eastwood Farms (Tjark Stikker) for the panel and pump upgrade quoted at \$22,078 and corner arm in SW 29-14-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$9,200 (92 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$19,400 (75 acres x \$100/acre + 17 acres x \$700/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.16 Panel & Corner Arm – Eastwood Farms (Tjark Stikker) – NW 31 & Pt. SW 31-14-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 138 acres NW, 6 acres SW
- Current Assessment: 136 acres NW (2 acres transferred to SW 31-14-03 through general assessment), 6 acres NW
- Installing: panel upgrade and corner arm
- Assessment remains the same at 136 acres, all under pivot (130 pivot, 12 corner arm)

2018-02-097 Moved by R. Johnson that motion 2017-12-450 be rescinded. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 2018-02-098 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Eastwood Farms (Tjark Stikker) for the panel upgrade quoted at \$2,400 and corner arm in NW 31 & Pt. SW 31-14-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,600 (136 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$10,800 (\$2,400 + 12 acres x \$700/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 10.04.2.17 Panel & Corner Arm Eastwood Farms (Tjark Stikker) SE 31-14-13 W4M
 - Previous Assessment: 152 acres

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- Current Assessment: 154 acres (2 acres transferred in from NW 31-14-03 through general assessment)
 - Installing: panel upgrade and corner arm
- Assessment remains the same at 154 acres, all under pivot (138 pivot, 16 corner arm)

2018-02-099 Moved by R. Johnson that motion 2017-12-451 be rescinded. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2018-02-100 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Eastwood Farms (Tjark Stikker) for the panel upgrade quoted at \$2,400 and corner arm in SE 31-14-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$15,400 (154 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$13,600 (\$2,400 + 16 acres x \$700/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.18 Nozzle & Pump Upgrade – Brent & Susan Gutfriend – Sec. 06-14-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 355 acres
- Current Assessment: 360 acres (5 acres added through general assessment)
- Installing: pump upgrade
- 2018-02-101 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Brent & Susan Gutfriend for the pump upgrade in Sec. 06-14-13 W4M quoted at \$24,175. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$35,000 (355 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$24,175. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.19 Transfer – Alan Jones NE 21-16-16 W4M to NW 22-18-16 W4M

The landowner is requesting to transfer 11 acres from NE 21-16-16 W4M to accommodate a corner arm in NW 22-18-16 W4M.

2018-02-102 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the transfer of 11 irrigation acres from NE 21-16-16 W4M to NW 22-18-16 W4M, all lands being owned by Alan Jones. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.20 Panel Upgrade – Alan Jones – NW 22-18-16 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 108 acres (23 acres added through Farm Improvement), (1 acre added through general assessment)
 Current Assessment: 143 acres (11 acres transferred in, motion 2018-02-102; not eligible for grant as already received Infrastructure Cost-Savings Grant)
- Previous Grant: \$6,230 (motion 2003-04-090)
- Installing: panel upgrade and corner arm
- 2018-02-103 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Alan Jones for the panel upgrade and corner arm in NW 22-18-16 W4M quoted at \$75,462. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$10,800 (108 acres x \$100/acre) less \$6,230 (previous grant) = \$4,570. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.21 Panel Upgrade – Greg & Rosemarie Klassen – SE 35 & Pt. NE 35-22-17 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 91 acres SE, 6 acres NE
- Current Assessment: 91 acres SE, 7 acres NE (1 acre added through general assessment)

- Previous Grant: \$1,750 (motion 2005-12-248)
- Installing: panel upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 91 acres SE & 7 acres NE, all under wiper pivot
- 2018-02-104 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Greg & Rosemarie Klassen for the panel upgrade in SE 35 & Pt. NE 35-22-17 W4M quoted at \$1,732. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$9,700 (97 acres x \$100/acre) less \$1,750 (previous grant) = 7,950, with the payable amount being \$1,732. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 10.04.2.22 Panel Upgrade Greg & Rosemarie Klassen SW 28-21-17 W4M
 - Assessment: 132 acres
 - Installing: panel upgrade
 - Assessment remains the same at 132 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-02-105 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Greg & Rosemarie Klassen for the panel upgrade in SW 28-21-17 W4M quoted at \$1,732. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,200 (132 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$1,732. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - **10.04.2.23** Panel Upgrade & Corner Arm LMK Agra Ltd. (Lorne Bunney) N ½ 32-19-13 W4M It was requested that this application be reviewed and brought back to the Board.
 - 10.04.2.24 Transfer North Bend Cattle Corp. (Renus Van Hal) and 1627169 Alberta Ltd. (Danny Van Hal) - various

The landowner is requesting to transfer various acres to accommodate a corner arm in S $^{1\!/_2}$ 14-16-16 W4M.

2018-02-106 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the transfer of:

- 8 irrigation acres from NW 31-15-15 W4M,
- 7 irrigation acres from NE 35-15-16 W4M,
- 6 irrigation acres from SE 02-16-16 W4M, and
- 4 irrigation acres from SW 02-16-16 W4M,

to S ½ 14-16-16 W4M, all lands being owned by North Bend Cattle Corp. (Renus Van Hal) and 1627169 Alberta Ltd. (Danny Van Hal). Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.25 Pump & Corner Arm - North Bend Cattle Corp. (Renus Van Hal) – S 1/2 14-16-16 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 83 acres; then 195 acres (112 west pivot, 83 east pivot)
- Current Assessment: 220 acres (25 acres transferred in, motion 2018-02-106)
- Installing: pump upgrade & corner arm; 4 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 224 acres (117 west pivot, 23 corner arm, 84 east pivot)
- 2018-02-107 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for North Bend Cattle Corp. (Renus Van Hal) for the pump upgrade quoted at \$12,405 and corner arm in Pt. S ½ 14-16-16 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$10,800 (108 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$8,900 (89 acres x \$100/acre) + \$13,300 (12 acres x \$700/acre) = \$22,200. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.26 Irrigable Unit Discharge & Registration - Richard & Marlene Retzlaff and Ralph & Liz Retzlaff – Sec. 06-21-15 W4M

An existing irrigable unit was registered on Pt. Sec. 06-21-15 W4M. As the section wiper pivot extends into Plan RW33 it is required that the existing irrigable unit be discharged and a new encompassing one registered.

- 2018-02-108 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the discharge of an Irrigable Unit on SE 06-21-15 W4M and Pts. SW, NW, NE 06-21-15 W4M, all lands being owned by Richard & Marlene Retzlaff and Ralph & Liz Retzlaff. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-02-109 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the registration of an Irrigable Unit on SE 06-21-15 W4M, Pts. SW, NW, NE 06-21-15 W4M, and Plan RW33 within Sec. 06-21-15 W4M, all lands being owned by Richard & Marlene Retzlaff and Ralph & Liz Retzlaff. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 10.04.2.27 Nozzle Upgrade Richard & Marlene Retzlaff and Ralph & Liz Retzlaff Pt. Sec. 06-21-15
 - Assessment: 233 acres
 - Installing: nozzle upgrade; 13 acre separate wheel field, keeping 18 acres in corners
 - Assessment remains the same at 233 acres (202 wiper pivot, 13 wheels, 18 corners)
- 2018-02-110 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Richard & Marlene Retzlaff and Ralph & Liz Retzlaff for the nozzle upgrade in Pt. Sec. 06-21-15 W4M quoted at \$13,385. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$23,300 (233 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$13,385 less \$9,000 (18 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$4,385. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.28 Panel & Corner Arm - Arnold & Lorna Retzlaff - NE & Pt. SE 17-20-15 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 211 acres
- Current Assessment: 211 acres
- Previous Grant: \$7,500 (motion 2001-10-157)
- Installing: panel upgrade & corner arm; 43 acre separate wheel field
- Assessment remains the same at 211 acres (139 pivot, 29 corner arm, 43 wheels)
- NE 17 has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-02-111 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Arnold & Lorna Retzlaff for the corner arm quoted at \$75,260 and panel upgrade in NE & Pt. SE 17-20-15 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$21,100 (211 acres x \$100/acre) less \$7,500 (previous grant) = 13,600; with the payable amount being \$6,200 (137 acres x \$45.25/acre) + \$200 (2 acres x \$100/acre) + \$20,300 (29 acres x \$700/acre) = \$26,700. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-02-112 Moved by J. Culligan that the deduction of \$200/acre applied in October 2001 for NE & Pt. SE 17-20-15 W4M be returned to Arnold Retzlaff for 10 acres of new efficiencies; 10 acres x \$200/acre = \$2,000. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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10.04.2.29 Nozzle Upgrade – Robert & Lisa Rommens – SW 01-20-14 W4M

- Current Assessment: 150 acres
 - Installing: nozzle upgrade; 2 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 152 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-02-113 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Robert & Lisa Rommens for the nozzle upgrade in SW 01-20-14 W4M quoted at \$9,535. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$15,000 (150 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$9,535. The capital assets charge is \$600 (2 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 10.04.2.30 Panel Upgrade W & H Neufeld Farms Ltd. (Walter & Helen Neufeld) NW & Pt. NE 29-20-15
 - Assessment: 179 acres
 - Installing: panel upgrade; 9 acre separate wheel field, keeping 5 acres in corners
 - Assessment remains the same at 179 acres (165 pivot, 9 wheels, 5 corners)
- 2018-02-114 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for W & H Neufeld Farms Ltd. (Walter & Helen Neufeld) for the panel upgrade in NW & Pt. NE 29-20-15 W4M quoted at \$12,604. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$17,900 (179 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$12,604 less \$2,500 (5 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$10,104. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 10.04.2.31 Panel Upgrade W & H Neufeld Farms Ltd. (Walter & Helen Neufeld) SE 29-20-15 W4M
 - Assessment: 146 acres
 - Installing: panel upgrade, keeping 11 acres in corners
 - Assessment remains the same at 146 acres (135 pivot, 11 corners)
- 2018-02-115 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for W & H Neufeld Farms Ltd. (Walter & Helen Neufeld) for the panel upgrade in SE 29-20-15 W4M quoted at \$12,604. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$14,600 (146 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$12,604 less \$5,500 (11 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$7,104. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 10.04.2.32 Nozzles & Corner Arm Martin & Shawna Wiebe SE & Pt. SW 02-21-16 W4
 - Assessment: 151 acres SE, 146 acres SW
 - Installing: nozzle upgrade SE & corner pivots SE/SW; keeping 11 acres outside pivots (3 corner acres SW not deducted at this time)
 - Assessment remains the same at 151 acres SE & 146 acres SW (283 under pivot, 14 corners)
- 2018-02-116 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Martin & Shawna Wiebe for the panel upgrade quoted at \$9,235 and corner pivots in SE & Pt. SW 02-21-16 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$9,235 plus \$13,300 (19 acres x \$700/acre) less \$5,500 (11 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$17,035. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.33 Pump Upgrade – Wolfer Ranching Ltd. (Donald & Cynthia Wolfer) – SW 27-17-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 104 acres
- Current Assessment: 128 acres (21 acres purchased at time of Farm Improvement;
 - 3 acres added through general assessment)
- Previous Grant: \$3,120 (motion 2012-12-243)
- Installing: pump upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 128 acres, all under pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-02-117 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Wolfer Ranching Ltd. (Donald & Cynthia Wolfer) for the pump upgrade in SW 27-17-13 W4M quoted at \$9,411. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$10,400 (104 acres x \$100/acre) less \$3,120 (previous grant) = 7,280, with the payable amount being \$7,280. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.34 Pump, Panel & Nozzle Upgrade – Christine Wennekers & Daniel Baumgarten – NE 22-14-13 W4M

- Assessment: 151 a
 - 151 acres
- Installing: pump, panel & nozzle upgrade; 3 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 154 acres, all under corner arm pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-02-118 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Christine Wennekers & Daniel Baumgarten for the pump, panel & nozzle upgrade in NE 22-14-13 W4M quoted at \$19,739. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$15,100 (151 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$900 (3 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.35 Pump, Panel & Nozzle Upgrade – Christine Wennekers & Daniel Baumgarten – NW 22-14-13 W4M

- Assessment: 146 acres
- Installing: pump, panel & nozzle upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 146 acres, all under corner arm pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-02-119 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Christine Wennekers & Daniel Baumgarten for the pump, panel & nozzle upgrade in NW 22-14-13 W4M quoted at \$19,428. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$14,600 (146 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.2.36 Pump, Panel & Nozzle Upgrade – Christine Wennekers & Daniel Baumgarten – SW 22-14-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 144 acres
- Current Assessment: 148 acres (4 acres transferred in 2002)
- Installing: pump, panel & nozzle upgrade; 6 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 154 acres, all under corner arm pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-02-120 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Christine Wennekers & Daniel Baumgarten for the pump, panel & nozzle upgrade in SW 22-14-13 W4M quoted at \$19,793. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$14,800 (148 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$1,800 (6 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.04.3 Irrigable Units

10.04.3.1 Irrigable Unit Discharge – Guy Doherty and Dallas Doherty – Plan 9512765, Block 2 in NW 19-17-13 W4M

An existing irrigable unit on Plan 9512765 Block 2 in NW 19-17-13 W4M is no longer needed as this property contains no irrigation acres and there is no water delivery to the parcel.

- 2018-02-121 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the discharge of an Irrigable Unit on Plan 9512765 Block 2 within NW 19-17-13 W4M, all lands being owned by Guy Doherty and Dallas Doherty. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - **10.04.3.2** Irrigable Unit Registration Curtis & Heather Harbinson Pt. E ½ 18-19-15 W4M The landowner would like to install a pivot in Pt. SE 18-19-15 W4M; as the delivery for this quarter is in the NE an irrigable unit registration of both part quarters is required.
- 2018-02-122 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the registration of an Irrigable Unit on Pt. NE 18-19-15 W4M & Pt. Se 18-19-15 W4M, all lands being owned by Curtis & Heather Harbinson. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 10.04.3.3 Irrigable Unit Registration Cody & Tricia Milne N ½ 07-24-15 W4M A flood field in NE 07-24-15 W4M extends into the NW, requiring an irrigable unit registration of the 2 quarters.
- 2018-02-123 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the registration of an Irrigable Unit on NW 07 & NE 07-24-15 W4M, all lands being owned by Cody & Tricia Milne. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[2:36 p.m. R. Gagley re-entered the meeting.]

11.0 Corporate Planning Follow Up

11.01 Restrictive Covenants

In follow up to Corporate Planning, I. Friesen advised that only 1 maximum amount of water may be set for irrigation acres. Therefore, when considering to allow a landowner to add new irrigation acres to a system with limited capacity, drafting and implementing a restrictive covenant would need to include:

- registering an irrigable unit (with 1 landowner only),
- pumping from a single point of delivery,
- agreeing to a maximum flow rate through the delivery,
- agreeing that all lands will not be able to be irrigated simultaneously,
- agreeing to cancellation and termination clauses of irrigation acres,

• agreeing to options in the event of cancellation of irrigation acres.

The Board clarified that these are to be annual agreements and gave direction for Administration to move forward and have discussions with landowners, advising of conditions as laid out.

11.02 2019 Irrigation Applications

The current assessment roll is nearing 302,000 acres, with the projected total to reach 307-308,000 after general assessment completion and new irrigation acres approved for 2018. This leaves the District approximately 3-4,000 acres from the expansion limit. Whether to accept irrigation applications for 2019 is to be brought back to the March meeting for a decision, with additional information and graphs indicating remaining irrigation acres and projected usage. The data and decision are to be shared with water users at the AGM and through newsletters.

11.03 Capital Assets Bylaw and Related Policies

In November a motion was made to retain the current Capital Assets Bylaw for approved 2018 irrigation applications and general assessment completion. This matter had been discussed at Corporate Planning and at the Bow Bloc Meeting. In continuing discussions regarding subsequent new irrigation acres, charges from other districts and also EID related policies were reviewed. It was directed to bring this bylaw back at a later date. The current bylaw is available on the District website.

11.03.1 Increases in Irrigation Acres, Criteria & Guidelines

The Increases in Irrigation Acres, Criteria & Guidelines policy was revised to reference the Capital Assets Bylaw instead of listing a \$/acre number in clause 17.0.

2018-02-124 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Increases in Irrigation Acres, Criteria & Guidelines policy as revised, effective February 27, 2018. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The policy is available on the District website.

11.03.2 Farm Improvement Policy

The Farm Improvement Policy was revised to reference the Capital Assets Bylaw instead of listing \$/acre in clauses 5.0 through 8.0. As well, clause 11.0 culverts/bridges was given further clarification.

2018-02-125 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement Policy as revised, effective February 27, 2018. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The policy is available on the District website.

11.03.3 Purchasing Irrigation Acres Back from the Landowner

The Purchasing Irrigation Acres Back from the Landowner Policy was revised to reference the Capital Assets Bylaw instead of listing \$/acre.

2018-02-126 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Purchasing Irrigation Acres Back from the Landowner policy as revised, effective February 27, 2018. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The policy is available on the District website.

11.04 Canal and Pipeline Rehabilitation Policy

In follow up to Corporate Planning, a revised Canal and Pipeline Rehabilitation Policy was presented as follows:

- page 3, under Canals/Drains, added clause 2.0 (relocations as part of rehab program),
- increased borrow from \$.75/m³ to \$1.50/m³, and
- added the option of a 4th wire for temporary fencing.

2018-02-127 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Canal and Pipeline Rehabilitation Policy as revised, effective February 27, 2018. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[3:20 p.m. S. Connauton exited the meeting.]

12.0 Bow Bloc Meeting Follow Up

A Bow Bloc Meeting (BRID, EID, WID) was held January 26th at the EID, with Boards, GMs and select admin/staff to discuss related matters of concern/interest.

2018-02-128 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board resolve into the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.01 Joint Prioritization of Storage Opportunities in the Bow Basin

13.0 Proposed License Agreement – Acestes Ventures Ltd.

[4:31 p.m. – 4:34 p.m. Short break.]

14.0 In-Camera Legal Items

2018-02-129 Moved by J. Culligan that the meeting be reconvened. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

15.0 Levels of Soil Classification

Information was provided to Directors regarding the 5 levels of soil classification. The *Procedures Manual for the Classification of Land for Irrigation in Alberta* provides a uniform guide for certified land classification professionals and identifies the 5 levels of investigation to classify land for sustained irrigation development of agricultural land in Alberta.

16.0 MD of Willow Creek – Solar Project Public Hearing

Information was provided to Directors regarding the MD of Willow Creek Council Meeting hearing comments concerning a proposed solar project.

17.0 Upcoming Events

- 17.01 New Irrigation Acres Appeal Hearing
- 17.02 Dave Ardell, Alberta Env & Parks
- 17.03 "Road Map to Change", Grassroots AB
- 17.04 New Irrigation Acres Appeal Hearing
- 17.05 New Irrigation Acres Appeal Hearing
- 17.06 AIPA Board Meeting
- 17.07 Regular Board Meeting
- 17.08 Annual General Meeting
- 17.09 Nominations Close
- 17.10 CWRA Alberta Conference
- 17.11 Election [if necessary]
- 17.12 Organizational Meeting
- 17.13 Regular Board Meeting
- 17.14 AIPA MLA Meet & Greet

- Friday, March 2nd, Lethbridge, 10:00 a.m.
- Friday, March 9th, Calgary, 10:00 a.m. [attending: Chairs & GMs of BRID, EID & WID]
- Friday, March 9th, Medicine Hat Clarion Hotel, 1:00 p.m. [J. Culligan attending]
- Monday, March 12th, Lethbridge, 10:00 a.m. [as needed]
- Wednesday, March 14th, Lethbridge, 10:00 a.m. [as needed]
- Friday, March 16th, Lethbridge Lodge, 10:00 a.m.
- Monday, March 19th, 9:00 a.m.
- Tuesday, March 20th, 1:30 p.m., Heritage Inn
- Wednesday, March 21st, 5:00 p.m.
- March 25th 27th, Red Deer
- Tuesday, April 17th
- Tuesday, April 24th, 9:00 a.m.
- Tuesday, April 24th
- Tuesday, May 8th, Edmonton

G. Murray moved adjournment of the meeting at 4:57 p.m.

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Chairman

General Manager

March 19, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting

The Directors of the Eastern Irrigation District held a regular meeting on the 19th day of March, 2018. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Jason Hale	Director	[Division 1]
Mr. Jim Culligan	Director	[Division 2]
Mr. Ross Owen	Chair	[Division 3]
Mr. Rod Johnson	Director	[Division 4]
Mr. Tony Brummelhuis	Director	[Division 5]
Mr. Bob Chrumka	Vice-Chair	[Division 6]
Mr. George Murray V	Director	[Division 7]

Mr. Ivan Friesen Mr. Kevin Bridges Mrs. Wendy Enns

General Manager Assistant GM – Corporate Services Executive Assistant

• Board In-Camera

[9:21 a.m. I. Friesen, K. Bridges, W. Enns joined the meeting.]

The meeting was called to order at 9:22 a.m.

1.0 Approval of Agenda

The following item was moved to a requested In-Camera portion at the end of the meeting:

• 4.03 Report on AIPA Board Meeting, March 16th, Lethbridge

The following item was removed from the agenda:

• 11.03.3 Converting Term Acres

2018-03-130 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board adopt the Agenda as revised. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.0 Approval of Minutes

2.01 February 27, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting

Approval of the minutes was deferred to later in the meeting for further clarity to 10.01.3 Rolling Hills Reservoir Campground – Rule Changes.

[9:30 a.m. E. Wilson entered the meeting.]

3.0 Bassano Dam Emergency Spillway

Mr. Wilson reviewed his report that would be presented the next day at the Annual General Meeting. The crews have been working since February 21st excavating downstream, laying and tying steel and prepping for the first concrete pour this year, which is scheduled in 2 weeks. Enough aggregate is on site for half of April's project work.

[9:49 a.m. E. Wilson exited the meeting.]

4.0 Reports on Meetings / Events

4.01 "The Road Map to Change", March 9th, Medicine Hat

J. Culligan attended "The Road Map to Change" event in Medicine Hat on March 9th presented by Grassroots Alberta. The seminar was found to be very informative, covering topics on agriculture, business, government, education, etc. As well, Mr. Culligan shared a table with Drew Barnes, MLA for Cypress-Medicine Hat through which a presentation on a proposed Eyremore Dam was offered. This will likely be followed up by Richard Phillips, General Manager for the Bow River Irrigation District.

4.02 Bow Water Operations Meeting, March 9th, Calgary

R. Owen and I. Friesen attended a Bow Water Operations Meeting in Calgary on March 9th with BRID, WID, TransAlta and government representatives to discuss potential operational efficiencies, multi-use and prospective matters on the Bow River system.

5.0 Business Arising

5.01 List of Electors Repealing Bylaw (919) – 3rd Reading

The List of Electors Repealing Bylaw was brought back from the December 18, 2017 Board Meeting. Third reading was deferred to allow time for a requested amendment to be made to include irrigation districts under the definition of "elected authorities". Irrigation Secretariat has advised that the Minister has yet to deal with this request. In order to be compliant with the *Local Authorities Election Act* for a possible upcoming election, it is required that the List of Electors Bylaw be repealed prior to the election.

[10:03 a.m. – 10:08 a.m. Short break.]

2018-03-131 Moved by J. Culligan that Bylaw #919 (2017), being a Bylaw of the Eastern Irrigation District to Repeal Bylaw 859 (2007) List of Electors Bylaw, be read the third time and finally passed. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.02 Electoral Divisions Bylaw (920) – 3rd Reading

Similarly, the Electoral Divisions Bylaw, which no longer includes the provision for subdivisions in order to be compliant with the *LAEA*, was brought back for third and final reading. As well, the bylaw includes 2 new parcels which were added to the District.

2018-03-132 Moved by B. Chrumka that Bylaw #920 (2017), being a Bylaw of the Eastern Irrigation District to Provide for the Division of the District into Electoral Divisions, be read the third time and finally passed. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Administration was asked to follow up with Richard Phillips, AIPA Chair regarding the status of the request through Irrigation Council.

6.0 Financial Report

K. Bridges presented the following Financial Report.

6.01 February 28, 2018 Financial Statements

The financial statements to February 28, 2018 were reviewed, noting the following overall:

- YTD revenues total about \$17.1 million and are tracking on YTD budget.
- YTD net operating expenses total about \$10.6 million and are tracking about 18% (\$2.4 million) under YTD budget.
- YTD potential transfer to the IWF is about \$6.5 million.

2018-03-133 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Financial Statements to February 28, 2018, as presented. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.0 EIDNet Report

There have been no major issues since the last report.

[10:25 a.m. R. Gagley and R. Summach entered the meeting.]

8.0 Operations

I. Friesen presented the following Operations report.

8.01 Snowpack Report

Snow pillows are trending along the upper quartiles for Sunshine Village, Three Isle Lake, Mount Odlum and Lost Creek South, and above for Skoki Village and Little Elbow Summit.

8.02 Set Water Delivery Date

As the beginning of irrigation season is looking to be fairly typical and with the amount of ice, snow and ground frost being present, a date of May 10th was approved as the earliest possible water delivery date.

2018-03-134 Moved by B. Chrumka that the earliest date for Water Delivery to the farmers be set at May 10, 2018. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, R. Johnson, J. Hale, T. Brummelhuis OPPOSED – G. Murray

9.0 Engineering

R. Gagley presented the following Engineering Report.

9.01 Project Status

All projects are planned to be complete by the second week in April. As soon as 05 Rolling Hills is finished, that crew will assist the other pipeline crew on the EID/JBS job. The canal crew will finish up on the South Bantry Drain project.

EID CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS		
EARTHWORKS		
South Bantry Drain	- 75% complete; frost and snow delaying project	

PIPELINE		
05-C East Branch	- complete, ready for spring cleanup	
09 Rolling Hills	- complete, ready for spring cleanup	
08-H West Bantry	- complete, ready for spring cleanup	
04 Scott Canal	- complete, ready for spring cleanup	
M Tilley	- complete, ready for spring cleanup	
05 Rolling Hills	- 75% complete; frost and snow delaying project	
EID/JBS	- 10% complete; started March 14 th	
STRUCTURES		
17/18 Structure Program	- 100% complete	
IRP PROJECTS		
Sec A Rolling Hills	- complete, ready for spring cleanup	

9.02 Capital Assets Cost-Share – 826167 Alberta Inc. (Firmin Declercq)

R. Summach presented a capital assets cost-share synopsis for 826167 Alberta Inc. (Firmin Declercq). As part of an irrigation development project, Mr. Declercq is proposing to pump out of Tilley B Reservoir to supply the new acres. As it is expected that the shoreline could move up to 45 m with changing reservoir levels, it is being proposed to build a 45 m berm into the reservoir to situate the pump site. The Landowner has agreed to provide the dirt for construction and fieldstone for rip rap. As per the Capital Assets Bylaw, the EID will contribute 75% of the cost of any irrigation works specifically required for any new parcel, up to 25% of the Capital Asset Charge. The capital assets charge for the irrigation development is \$420,000. The project is estimated to cost \$71,700; of which the EID cost would be \$53,800 and the Landowner cost would be \$17,900. A thorough discussion was held; this matter is to be brought back to the Board once staff and landowner can reach solutions to address the disclosed conditions to this project.

- [11:23 a.m. 11:27 a.m. Short break; R. Summach exited the meeting.]
 - **9.03 Request for Reclamation and Domestic Delivery Harold Brauer NW 13-17-17 W4M** In follow up to the February Board Meeting, Mr. Gagley updated Directors as to subsequent discussions held with Mr. Brauer. A request was reiterated from the Landowner that the EID reclaim the ditch in NW 13-17-17 W4M and install 350 m of 6" domestic pipeline in its place up to the check structure. The landowner is willing to have the trees deposited to 2 pits on his adjacent land. Estimates to reclaim the ditch and install 350 m of 6" pipe are \$45,000 and \$15,000 respectively. This matter was discussed at length. Although the legal point of delivery in the NW corner of the quarter was signed off by the landowner, there is question whether the ditch was clearly turned over to the landowner at its time of decommissioning. This, and that the ditch was used by the District as a drain out after that time, prompted the following motion.
- 2018-03-135 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the District approve the request to remove the trees from the old EID ditch in NW 13-17-17 W4M to a pit on the landowner's adjacent land, but to deny the request for the installation of a 6" pipeline. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED IN FAVOUR B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, J. Hale, T. Brummelhuis OPPOSED R. Johnson, G. Murray

9.04 Rolling Hills Reservoir Campground – Estimate for Parking Lot

A second parking lot option for just gravel pad and fence on the top of the hill at the Rolling Hills Reservoir Campground was reviewed and estimated at \$60,000. It was consensus to defer this matter and readdress once increased traffic can be evaluated after the paving of the secondary highway is complete.

9.05 Snake Lake Reservoir

In follow up to February's discussion on potential reservoir storage, a map delineating a possible capacity increase of Snake Lake Reservoir was presented. The current reservoir can hold 15,000 acre feet at FSL. A theoretical expansion that would see the earthen berms built out at the same height to the east and south, encompassing nearly 4 sections, would increase the reservoir by 56,000 acre feet. The current reservoir and expansion would make available an equivalent of 50% of the live storage of Lake Newell Reservoir; the earthen work alone is roughly estimated to cost \$58 million. It would be gravity fed and would directly support the Springhill system and indirectly support or supplement all areas of the District. Discussion ensued and several questions were responded to by administration.

[12:29 p.m. – 1:04 p.m. Lunch break; D. Buell and S. Dahl entered the meeting.] [1:04 p.m. R. Johnson exited the meeting.]

> It was directed that geotechnical sampling be conducted for Lore Reservoir and east Snake Lake Reservoir potential projects at a later date in summer.

[1:08 p.m. R. Gagley exited the meeting.]

10.0 Buildings & Grounds

S. Dahl presented the following Campground Update.

10.01 Campgrounds Update

The electrical upgrade project approved at \$250,000 for an insufficient power grid at the Rolling Hills Reservoir Campground saw work in November and has resumed this spring. It is anticipated that the job will be complete and on budget by the end of April.

[1:17 p.m. R. Johnson rejoined the meeting.]

The shower house project at the Crawling Valley Campground was also begun last fall and stalled by cold weather. The project has resumed at the beginning of this month. Although the building will likely not be fully complete until the end of May, the existing portion should be available for use on weekends until then to minimize inconveniences.

J. Hale conveyed an approval enquiry from Crawling Valley Recreation Society regarding an individual's request to operate a paddle board and boat rental business at the campground. The Board advised that as CVRS holds the agreement with the District for the campground, they would be required to be an umbrella organization over any other business activities on those premises. Mr. Hale will take this information back to the Society.

11.0 Lands

11.01 Habitat, Wildlife & Access

D. Buell presented the following Habitat, Wildlife & Access items.

11.01.1 OHV Use at Rolling Hills Reservoir Campground

In reply to a question last month, Mr. Buell advised that as per the Traffic Safety Act, the use of golf carts/Off Highway Vehicles is not permitted on any roads that are open for use by the public, even if privately owned, i.e. RHR and CV campgrounds.

11.01.2 PHD Program Summary

The Partners in Habitat Development Program Summary was highlighted as follows:

- 2017 PHD Program:
 - o 9,990 trees & shrubs were planted on 10 new sites; 2 sites received fencing materials
 - o mowing and weeding maintenance was done on 21 sites
 - o over 2,744 replacement seedlings were planted at eleven 2016 sites
 - o survival rate of new seedlings was only 47%, due to the exceptionally hot, dry weather
 - summer students installed public access signage on EID lands; drive by inspections of established sites will resume in 2019
 - o brood surveys on a variety of birds showed numbers above, at or below average
- 2018 PHD Program:
 - o 8 new sites selected for 2018, at an est. budget of \$151,000; grant applications submitted
 - 12,758 seedlings (bare root/soil plug) ordered, half as replacements; weed barrier, pins, ties and approximately 1 km of fencing materials also ordered
 - o it will be attempted to mulch sites immediately after planting
 - o 4 Seasonal Habitat Aides have been hired for the full season
 - sites have been scheduled into 2020, with the strongest interest in areas of recent EID infrastructure improvements or joint County drainage; revised Memorandum of Understanding and Landowner/PHD Planting Site Timeline documents will be used
- Long Term Plans:
 - as time and IT staff availability permits, will amass map based statistics, update displays and brochures; will also explore contract growing options and funding opportunities/partnerships

[1:43 p.m. S. Dahl and D. Buell exited the meeting; R. Volek entered.]

11.02 Grazing

R. Volek presented the following Grazing matters.

11.02.1 PGL #7067 (McNally) – Tender Results

The following 6 year Private Grazing Lease was tendered with specific requirements and allowances, with no minimum bid.

PGL # 7067 64	3 acres 135 AUM (6 km north of Rolling Hills)		g Hills)
Bidder	Amount	GST	Total
Allen Weaver	\$3,165.00	\$158.25	\$3,323.25

Leonard Lundquist	\$1,600.00	\$80.00	\$1,680.00
Kevin Torkelson	\$1,011.00	\$50.55	\$1,061.55

2018-03-136 Moved by J. Hale that Private Grazing Lease #7067 be awarded to Allen Weaver. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.02.2 Request to Transfer PGL #7282 – Doug Henrickson to Ty Henrickson

Doug Henrickson has requested to transfer Private Grazing Lease #7282 to Ty Henrickson. This 15 year lease, located north and east of Cowoki Reservoir, has 6 years remaining and is transferrable to family members only. Ty Henrickson is a grandson to the Lessee and meets all other eligibility requirements.

2018-03-137 Moved by B. Chrumka that Private Grazing Lease #7282 be transferred from Doug Henrickson to Ty Henrickson. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.02.3 Request to Transfer PGL #7065 – Estate of Don McIntyre to Ron & Michelle Gietz

The Estate of Don MacIntyre has requested to transfer Private Grazing Lease #7065 to Ron & Michelle Gietz. This long term grazing lease, located in Pt. W $\frac{1}{2}$ 07-18-13 & E $\frac{1}{2}$ 12-18-14 W4M, is fully transferrable to any eligible water user and has 6 years remaining with the right to renew for a further 15 years. Upon the completion of their related land purchase, Ron & Michelle Gietz will meet all eligibility requirements.

2018-03-138 Moved by R. Johnson that Private Grazing Lease #7065 be transferred from the Estate of Don MacIntyre to Ron & Michelle Gietz, subject to the related land transfer. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.02.4 Set Turn-Out Date

With an anticipated later spring for the 2018 grazing season and to ensure a strong start after last year's hot, dry conditions during the summer months, slightly later turn-out dates were recommended.

2018-03-139 Moved by J. Culligan that the Cattle Grazing Turn-Out Date for Regrass be May 5th and for Native Pasture be May 14, 2018. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

In response to a Director's enquiry, Mr. Volek advised that he is requesting Community Grazing Associations to update their bylaws as many of them are quite outdated. Falling under the *Societies Act*, Grazing Associations are required to develop and register their bylaws and keep them current. As well, in accordance with the District's policy, GAs are to submit their bylaws for review by the Board prior to bringing to their membership for approval. A standard template is being offered and this process discussed at the GA annual meetings. The bylaws will aid Associations in their general management and also provide an opportunity for rules which may be specific to their Association. It is expected that this process will be completed by this time next year.

[1:55 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Short break; S. Connauton entered the meeting.]

11.03 Assessment, Water & Lands

S. Connauton presented the following Assessment, Water & Lands items.

11.03.1 Farm Improvement Grant Applications

All new Farm Improvement Grants are subject to a reduction of \$500/acre for any corner acres or acres kept outside the pivot area; and a reduction for any previous grants received on that parcel. For any irrigation acres which are returned to the District, the EID will pay \$1,000/acre. For infill irrigation acres purchased, the capital assets charge is \$300/acre. With proof of installation, applications will be considered on a 2 year retroactive basis; with any approvals based on the grant values at the time of installation.

<u>Conversions</u> (wheels, pivot, sub-surface)

11.03.1.1 Flood to Pivot - Bruce & Dulcie Beasley - E 1/2 28-19-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 95 acres NE 28, 107 acres SE 28; (5 acres to be transferred from the NE to the SE)
- Converting: 202 acres flood to pivot; 25 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 227 acres (90 wiper pivot NE, 137 pivot SE)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-03-140 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the transfer of 5 irrigation acres from NE 28-19-13 W4M to SE 28-19-13 W4M. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-03-141 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Bruce & Dulcie Beasley for the conversion of 202 acres flood to pivot in E ½ 28-19-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$20,200 (202 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$7,500 (25 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.2 Request to Purchase Land – Bruce & Dulcie Beasley – Pt. NE 28-19-13 W4M

Bruce & Dulcie Beasley have requested to purchase Pt. NE 28-19-13 W4M (north of the drain) in conjunction with their Farm Improvement on their land south of the drain. This request was previously denied and the decision was upheld as this portion of the quarter does not pass for irrigation, would have to be removed from a long term Private Grazing Lease, provides over \$5,000 in annual oil & gas rental and if a drain relocation was required, would cost between \$200,000 - \$300,000.

11.03.1.3 Flood to Pivot – Shawn & Gaylynn Lelek – Pt. E 1/2 02-22-13 W4M

- Assessment: 155 acres
- Converting: 106 acres flood to wiper pivot; 49 acre separate flood field
- Assessment remains the same at 155 acres (106 pivot, 49 flood)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-03-142 Moved by R. Johnson that motion 2016-07-179 be rescinded. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2018-03-143 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Shawn & Gaylynn Lelek for the conversion of 106 acres flood to pivot in Pt. E ½ 02-22-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$10,600 (106 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.4 Flood to Pivot – Thomas Janzen – NE 17-21-16 W4M

- Current Assessment:
- Converting: 50 acres flood to wiper pivot; 4 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 54 acres, all under wiper pivot

50 acres

• Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-03-144 Moved by J. Hale that motion 2017-01-035 be rescinded. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2018-03-145 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Thomas Janzen for the conversion of 50 acres flood to wiper pivot in NE 17-21-16 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$5,000 (50 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$1,200 (4 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.5 Transfer - C & L Beasley Cattle (2014) Ltd. (Lee & Cindi Beasley) – various

The Landowners have requested to transfer various acres to accommodate farm improvement conversions. The acres being transferred to the SE 12-20-13 W4M will require soils to pass prior to completing the transfer.

2018-03-146 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the transfer of:

- 5 irrigation acres from NE 10-20-12 W4M,
- 26 irrigation acres from SE 04-20-13 W4M, and
- 11 irrigation acres from SW 04-20-13 W4M,

to

- SE 12-20-13 W4M 31 acres (subject to soils), and
- SW 12-20-13 W4M 11 acres;

all lands being owned by C & L Beasley Cattle (2014) Ltd. (Lee & Cindi Beasley). Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.6 Flood to Pivot - C & L Beasley Cattle (2014) Ltd. (Lee & Cindi Beasley) - SE 04-20-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 139 acres
- Current Assessment: 113 acres (26 acres transferred out, motion 2018-03-146)
- Converting: 113 acres flood to wiper pivot
- Assessment remains the same at 113 acres, all under wiper pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-03-147 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for C & L Beasley Cattle (2014) Ltd. (Lee & Cindi Beasley) for the conversion of 113 acres flood to wiper pivot in SE 04-20-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$11,300 (113 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.7 Flood to Pivot - C & L Beasley Cattle (2014) Ltd. (Lee & Cindi Beasley) – SW 04-20-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 118 acres
- Current Assessment: 107 acres (11 acres transferred out, motion 2018-03-146)
- Converting: 107 acres flood to pivot
- Assessment remains the same at 107 acres, all under wiper pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding

Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for C & L Beasley Cattle 2018-03-148 (2014) Ltd. (Lee & Cindi Beasley) for the conversion of 107 acres flood to wiper pivot in SW 04-20-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$10,700 (107 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.8 Flood to Pivot - C & L Beasley Cattle (2014) Ltd. (Lee & Cindi Beasley) – SE 12-20-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 90 acres •
 - 121 acres (31 acres transferred in, motion 2018-03-146)
- Current Assessment: 121 acres flood to pivot; 12 additional acres needed Converting:
- New Assessment: 133 acres, all under pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-03-149 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for C & L Beasley Cattle (2014) Ltd. (Lee & Cindi Beasley) for the conversion of 121 acres flood to pivot in SE 12-20-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$12,100 (121 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$3,600 (12 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.9 Flood to Pivot - C & L Beasley Cattle (2014) Ltd. (Lee & Cindi Beasley) – SW 12-20-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 80 acres
- 91 acres (11 acres transferred in, motion 2018-03-146) • Current Assessment:
- Converting: 91 acres flood to pivot; 4 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 95 acres, all under pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-03-150 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for C & L Beasley Cattle (2014) Ltd. (Lee & Cindi Beasley) for the conversion of 91 acres flood to pivot in SW 12-20-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$9,100 (91 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$1,200 (4 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.10 Flood to Pivot - C & L Beasley Cattle (2014) Ltd. (Lee & Cindi Beasley) – S 1/2 23-20-13

- W4M
- Previous Assessment: 82 acres; 12 acres purchased with Farm Improvement
- Current Assessment: 94 acres
- Previous Grant: \$6.888 (motion 2016-09-213)
- 82 acres flood to pivot • Converting:
- Assessment remains the same at 94 acres, all under wiper pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-03-151 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for C & L Beasley Cattle (2014) Ltd. (Lee & Cindi Beasley) for the conversion of 82 acres flood to wiper pivot in S 1/2 23-20-13 W4M. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$8,200 (82 acres x \$100/acre), less \$6,888 (previous grant) = \$1,312. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Upgrades (panels, nozzles, drag hoses, pivots, pumps)

11.03.1.11 Pump & Nozzles - C & L Beasley Cattle (2014) Ltd. (Lee & Cindi Beasley) – Pt. Sec. 10-20-12 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 242 acres
- Current Assessment: 237 acres (5 acres transferred out, motion 2018-03-146)
- Installing: pump & nozzle upgrade; keeping 9 acres in corners
- Assessment remains the same at 237 acres (228 wiper pivot, 9 flood)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-03-152 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for C & L Beasley Cattle (2014) Ltd. (Lee & Cindi Beasley) for the pump and nozzle upgrade quoted at \$36,675 in Pt. Sec. 10-20-12 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$23,700 (237 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$22,800 (228 acres x \$100/acre) less \$4,500 (9 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$18,300. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[2:09 p.m. R. Johnson declared a pecuniary interest and exited the meeting.]

11.03.1.12 Pump – 1717866 Alberta Inc. (Reid Johnson) – Pt. E 1/2 16-19-14 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 113 acres (6 purchased to infill pivots)
- Current Assessment: 119 acres
- Installing: pump upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 119 acres, all under wiper pivots
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-03-153 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for 1717866 Alberta Inc. (Reid Johnson) for the pump upgrade in Pt. E ½ 16-19-14 W4M quoted at \$22,000. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$11,300 (113 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[2:11 p.m. R. Johnson rejoined the meeting.]

11.03.1.13 Pivot & Corner Arm - Christianson Agro Ltd. (Ronn Christianson) – NW 23-23-16 W4M

- Current Assessment: 148 acres
- Installing: pivot with corner arm; 2 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 150 acres (128 pivot, 22 corner arm)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-03-154 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Christianson Agro Ltd. (Ronn Christianson) for the pivot replacement with corner arm quoted at \$182,923 in NW 23-23-16 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$14,800 (148 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$12,800 (128 acres x \$100/acre) + \$14,000 (20 acres x \$700/acre) = \$26,800. The capital assets charge is \$600 (2 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.14 Pivot Replacement – David & Maria Giesbrecht – SW 15-16-13 W4M

- Assessment: 144 acres
- Installing: replacement pivot; keeping 14 acres in corners
- Assessment remains the same at 144 acres (130 pivot, 14 flood)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-03-155 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for David & Maria Giesbrecht for the replacement pivot quoted at \$105,654 in SW 15-16-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$14,400 (144 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$13,000 (130 acres x \$100/acre) less \$7,000 (14 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$6,000. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.15 Nozzles, Panel & Corner Arm – Allen James Lengyel – SE 24-15-14 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 148 acres (54 irrigation acres, 94 terminable acres)
- Current Assessment: 148 acres (term acres converted to irrigation acres)
- Installing: nozzles, panel & corner arm; 4 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 152 acres (135 pivot, 17 corner arm)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-03-156 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Allen James Lengyel for the nozzles, panel and corner arm quoted at \$102,008 in SE 24-15-14 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$5,400 (54 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$1,200 (2 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.16 Panel & Corner Arm – LMK Agra Ltd. (Lorne Bunney) – NW 32-19-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 143 acres (138 irrigation acres, 5 terminable acres)
 Upgrade: panel & pivot with corner arm; 5 terminable acres to be converted and 10 additional acres needed (subject to soils)
- New Assessment: 153 acres (134 pivot, 19 corner arm)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-03-157 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the conversion of 5 terminable acres to irrigation acres in NW 32-19-13 W4M at \$100/acre capital assets charge = \$500; lands being owned by LMK Agra Ltd. (Lorne Bunney). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-03-158 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for LMK Agra Ltd. (Lorne Bunney) for the panel and pivot with corner arm quoted at \$145,654 in NW 32-19-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,800 (138 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$13,400 (134 acres x \$100/acre) + \$2,800 (4 acres x \$700/acre) = \$15,700. The capital assets charge is \$3,000 (10 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.17 Nozzles – Travis Lyzenga – NW 19-20-15 & NE 24-20-16 W4M

Current Assessment: 86 acres (78 wiper pivot and 8 acres corners in NW 19); 3 acres transferring out for general assessment)
 128 acres circular pivot in NW 19 & NE 24

Installing: nozzle upgrade; keeping 5 acres in corners

New Assessment: 83 acres (78 wiper pivot, 5 acres corners in NW 19)

- 128 acres circular pivot in NW 19 & NE 24
- Pivot areas have reached their maximum grant funding
- 2018-03-159 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Travis Lyzenga for the nozzle upgrades quoted at \$26,147 in NW 19-20-15 W4M and NE 24-20-16 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$21,100 (211 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$20,600 (206 acres x \$100/acre) less \$2,500 (5 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$18,100. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.18 Panel – Russel & Dorie Pickett – NE 13-22-17 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 117 acres; 3 acres added for general assessment
- Current Assessment: 120 acres
- Previous Grant: \$2,575 (motions 202-11-2003 & 203-11-2003)
- Previous Deduction: \$600 (motions 202-11-2003 & 203-11-2003)
- Installing: panel upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 120 acres, all under wiper pivot
- 2018-03-160 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Russel & Dorie Pickett for the panel upgrade in NE 13-22-17 W4M quoted at \$6,250. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$11,700 (117 acres x \$100/acre), less \$2,575 (previous grant) = \$9,125, with the payable amount being \$6,250. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-03-161 Moved by J. Culligan that the deduction of \$200/acre applied in November 2003 for NE 13-22-17 W4M be returned to Russel Pickett for 3 acres of new efficiencies; 3 acres x \$200/acre = \$600. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.19 Panel – Russel & Dorie Pickett – NE 24-22-17 W4M

- Assessment: 152 acres
- Installing: panel upgrade; keeping 16 acres in corners
- Assessment remains the same at 152 acres (136 pivot, 16 corners)

2018-03-162 Moved by J. Culligan that motion 89-04-2003 be rescinded. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2018-03-163 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Russel & Dorie Pickett for the panel upgrade in NE 24-22-17 W4M quoted at \$6,250. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$15,200 (152 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$6,250 less \$8,000 (16 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$0. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.20 Pump & Panel – The Hutterian Brethren of Spring View – Pt. N 1/2 02 & Pt. S 1/2 11-24-16

- Previous Assessment: 176 acres (prior to irrigation development)
- Current Assessment: 203 acres (2 acres already purchased through general assessment)
- Installing: pump & panel upgrade

- Assessment remains the same at 203 acres, all under pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-03-164 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for The Hutterian Brethren of Spring View for the pump and panel upgrade in N ½ 02 & S ½ 11-24-16 W4M quoted at \$21,846. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$17,600 (176 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.21 Panel – The Hutterian Brethren of Spring View – Pt. N 1/2 03 & Pt. S 1/2 10-24-16 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 164 acres
- Current Assessment: 165 acres (1 acre already purchased through general assessment)
- Installing: panel upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 165 acres, all under pivot

2018-03-165 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for The Hutterian Brethren of Spring View for the panel upgrade in Pt. N ½ 03 & Pt. S ½ 10-24-16 W4M quoted at \$2,975. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$16,400 (164 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$2,975. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.22 Panel – The Hutterian Brethren of Spring View – Sec. 11-24-16 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 366 acres
- Current Assessment: 380 acres (14 acres already purchased through general assessment)
- Installing: panel & pump upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 380 acres, all under pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-03-166 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for The Hutterian Brethren of Spring View for the panel & pump upgrade in Sec. 11-24-16 W4M quoted at \$43,406. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$36,600 (366 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.23 Panel – The Hutterian Brethren of Spring View – SW 27-23-16 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 135 acres
- Current Assessment: 136 acres (1 acre already purchased through general assessment)
- Installing: panel upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 136 acres, all under pivot

2018-03-167 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for The Hutterian Brethren of Spring View for the panel upgrade in SW 27-23-16 W4M quoted at \$2,975. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,500 (135 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$2,975. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.24 Transfer – Sundial Livestock Feeders Ltd. (Chris Tetreault) - various

The Landowners have requested to transfer various acres to accommodate farm improvement conversions and to allow for general assessment adjustments.

2018-03-168 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the transfer of:

- 6 irrigation acres from SE 09-20-17 W4M,
- 8 irrigation acres from NW 17-20-17 W4M,
- 17 irrigation acres from SW 17-20-17 W4M, and
- 2 irrigation acres from SE 17-20-17 W4M

to

- NE 16-20-17 W4M 16 acres, and
- NW 06-21-17 W4M 18 acres;

all lands being owned by Sundial Livestock Feeders Ltd. (Chris Tetreault). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.25 Pump & Nozzles – Sundial Livestock Feeders Ltd. (Chris Tetreault) – SW 17-20-17 W4M

- Current Assessment: 80 acres (70 SW wiper pivot, 10 acres NW pivot); (17 acres transferred out, motion 2018-03-168)
- Installing: nozzle & pump upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 80 acres (70 SW wiper pivot, 10 acres NW pivot)
- SW wiper pivot has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-03-169 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Sundial Livestock Feeders Ltd. (Chris Tetreault) for the nozzle and pump upgrade quoted at \$11,337 in SW 17-20-17 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$8,000 (80 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$7,000 (70 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 11.03.1.26 Pump & Nozzles Sundial Livestock Feeders Ltd. (Chris Tetreault) NW 27, NE 28, SE 33 & SW 34-20-17 W4M
 - Assessment: 224 acres
 - Installing: pump & nozzle upgrade
 - Assessment remains the same at 224 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-03-170 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Sundial Livestock Feeders Ltd. (Chris Tetreault) for the pump and nozzle upgrade quoted at \$11,338 in NW 27, NE 38, SE 33 & SE 34-20-17 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$22,400 (224 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$11,338. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - **11.03.1.27** Transfer Jozef & Bertha Versteegen E ½ 16 & W ½ 15-14-13 W4M to NW 21-14-13 The Landowners have requested to transfer various acres to accommodate a corner arm in NW 21-14-13 W4M.
- 2018-03-171 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the transfer of:
 - 11 irrigation acres from E 1/2 16-14-13 W4M, and
 - 7 irrigation acres from W ¹/₂ 15-14-13 W4M

to

• NW 21-14-13 W4M;

all lands being owned by Jozef & Bertha Versteegan. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.28 Panel & Nozzles – Jozef & Bertha Versteegen – W 1/2 15-14-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 290 acres (7 acres transferred out, motion 2018-03-171)
- Installing: panel & nozzle upgrade; keeping 7 acres in corners
- Assessment remains the same at 290 acres (283 wiper pivot, 7 corners)

2018-03-172 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Jozef & Bertha Versteegen for the panel and nozzle upgrade quoted at \$14,853 in W ½ 15-14-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$29,000 (290 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$14,853 less \$3,500 (7 acres x \$500/acre) = \$11,353. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.29 Panel & Nozzles – Jozef & Bertha Versteegen – E ½ 16-14-13 W4M

• Current Assessment: 277 acres (11 acres transferred out, motion 2018-03-171)

\$2,500 (motion 090-07-2000)

- Previous Grant:
- Installing: panel & nozzle upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 277 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-03-173 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Jozef & Bertha Versteegen for the panel and nozzle upgrade quoted at \$14,853 in E ½ 16-14-13 W4M. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$27,700 (277 acres x \$100/acre) less \$2,500 (previous grant) = \$25,200, with the payable amount being \$14,853. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.30 Pivot & Corner Arm – Jozef & Bertha Versteegen – NE 21 & Pt. NW 21-14-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 146 acres
- Installing: pivot with corner arm; 6 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 152 acres (136 pivot, 16 corner arm)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-03-174 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Jozef & Bertha Versteegen for the pivot with corner arm in NE 21 & Pt. NW 21-14-13 W4M quoted at \$149,315. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$13,600 (136 acres x \$100/acre) + \$7,000 (10 acres x \$700/acre) = \$20,600. The capital assets charge is \$1,800 (6 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.31 Pivot & Corner Arm – Jozef & Bertha Versteegen – SE 14-14-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 136 acres
- Installing: pivot with corner arm; 15 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 151 acres (129 pivot, 22 corner arm)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-03-175 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Jozef & Bertha Versteegen for the pivot with corner arm in SE 14-14-13 W4M quoted at \$138,719. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$12,900 (129 acres x \$100/acre) + \$4,900 (7 acres x \$700/acre) = \$17,800. The capital assets charge is \$4,500 (15 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.32 Pivot & Corner Arm – Jozef & Bertha Versteegen – NW 17-14-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 133 acres (1 acre added for Farm Improvement in 2001)
- Current Assessment: 134 acres
- Previous Grant: \$2,500 (motion 015-01-2001)
- Installing: pivot with corner arm; 16 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 150 acres (134 pivot, 16 corner arm)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-03-176 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Jozef & Bertha Versteegen for the pivot with corner arm quoted at \$119,245 in NW 17-14-13 W4M. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$13,300 (133 acres x \$100/acre) less \$2,500 (previous grant) = \$10,800. The capital assets charge is \$4,800. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.33 Pivot & Corner Arm – Jozef & Bertha Versteegen – Pt. E 1/2 20-14-13 W4M

- Assessment: 130 acres
- Previous Grant: \$5,610 (motion 2011-08-149)
- Previous Deduction: \$1,200 (4 acres x \$300/acre)
- Installing: pivot with corner arm; keeping 5 acres in corners
- Assessment remains the same at 130 acres (125 wiper pivot, 5 corners)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-03-177 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Jozef & Bertha Versteegen for the pivot with corner arm quoted at \$135,805 in Pt. E ½ 20-14-13 W4M. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,000 (130 acres x \$100/acre) less \$5,610 = \$7,390, with the payable amount being \$6,890 (125 acres x \$55.12/acre) less \$800 (4 acres x \$200/acre) less \$500 (1 acre x \$500/acre) = \$5,590. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.34 Pivot & Corner Arm – Jozef & Bertha Versteegen – NW 21-14-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 121 acres (plus 5 acres purchased)
- Current Assessment: 144 acres pivot (18 acres transferred in, motion 2018-03-171)
- Previous Grant: \$2,500 (motion 091-07-2000)
- Installing: pivot with corner arm
- Assessment remains the same at 144 acres (125 pivot, 19 corner arm)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-03-178 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Jozef & Bertha Versteegen for the pivot with corner arm quoted at \$119,595 in NW 21-14-13 W4M. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,900 (139 acres x \$100/acre) less \$2,500 (previous grant) = \$11,400, with the payable amount being \$10,000 (125 acres x \$80/acre) + \$9,800 (14 acres x \$700/acre) = \$19,800. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.35 Pivot & Corner Arm – No Hills Farms Ltd. (Jozef & Bertha Versteegen) – SE 26-14-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 145 acres
 - Installing: pivot with corner arm; 1 additional acre needed
- New Assessment: 146 acres (126 pivot, 20 corner arm)

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- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-03-179 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Jozef & Bertha Versteegen for the pivot with corner arm in SE 26-14-13 W4M quoted at \$137,905. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$12,600 (126 acres x \$100/acre) + \$13,300 (19 acres x \$700/acre) = \$25,900. The capital assets charge is \$300 (1 acre x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.1.36 Pivot & Corner Arm – Jozef & Bertha Versteegen – NE 03-15-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 122 acres (17 terminable acres converted and 1 added through general assessment)
- Current Assessment: 139 acres
- Installing: pivot with corner arm; 9 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 148 acres (136 pivot, 12 corner arm)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-03-180 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Jozef & Bertha Versteegen for the pivot with corner arm in NE 03-15-13 W4M quoted at \$138,982. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$12,200 (122 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$2,700 (9 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.2 Irrigable Units

11.03.2.1 Discharge & Registration – Ed J. Lundquist Farms Ltd. (Ed Lundquist) - various

Three historical irrigable units are registered, with 2 overlapping. In order to not register one parcel more than once and to align the irrigable units with current situations it is required that the existing irrigable units be discharged and 2 new irrigable units be registered.

2018-03-181 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the discharge of the following Irrigable Units:

- Irrigable Unit #1 N 1/2 10-15-13 W4M,
- Irrigable Unit #2 NW 11 & Pt. SW 14-15-13 W4M, and
- Irrigable Unit #3 SW 15 & Pt. SE 15-15-13 W4M

all lands being owned by Ed J. Lundquist Farms Ltd. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The first irrigable unit will accommodate one shared delivery between 2 of the pivot parcels and pivots crossing quarter section lines. The second irrigable unit accommodates a shared delivery between 2 pivot parcels.

2018-03-182 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the registration of the following Irrigable Units:

- Irrigable Unit #1 N ½ 10, NW 11 & Pt. SW 14-15-13 W4M, and
- Irrigable Unit #2 SW 15 & Pt. SE 15-15-13 W4M

all lands being owned by Ed J. Lundquist Farms Ltd. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.03.3 County of Newell Rural Water Project Funding Initiative

Following is an update on the grants paid out to date to water users for tying into the County of Newell Rural Water Project.

COUNTY OF NEWELL RURAL WATER PROJECT FUNDING INITIATIVE		
Division Number of Grants Paid Out		
1 Gem/Bassano	43	
2 Rosemary/Duchess	79	
3 Patricia/Millicent	46	
4 Cassils/Brooks	67	
5 Scandia/Rainier	43	
6 Tilley	78	
7 Rolling Hills	31	

If was confirmed that grant applications received after the 3 year time period from when the regional water line was installed in each area will continue to be approved, if meeting all other requirements.

11.03.4 2019 Irrigation Applications

Graphs were presented by Mr. Friesen, indicating irrigation development applications and total acres added to the roll for both water users and the District. Data was supplied from the increase in irrigation expansion limit plebiscite approval in 2003, up to current date. It is calculated that, given recent general assessment, farm improvement and irrigation development approved projects are followed through, approximately 3,500 irrigation acres remain before reaching the 311,000 acre cap. A thorough discussion followed. Irrigation applications for 2019 have been tentatively received by the office so far, with the applicant being informed of the possible variables concerning capital assets charges and application acceptance. This matter is to be brought back to April's meeting for further discussion.

[3:08 p.m. S. Connauton exited the meeting.]

2.0 Approval of Minutes cont'd.

2.01 February 27, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting cont'd.

The following was noted for revision:

• Page 26, 10.01.3 Rolling Hills Reservoir Campground – Rule Changes: replace "before 8:00 p.m. on the last paid night" with "48 hours in advance of leaving to keep priority"

2018-03-183 Moved by R. Johnson that the Minutes of the February 27, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting be approved as corrected. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.0 Annual General Meeting

Mr. Friesen briefly reviewed PowerPoints that would be presented at the AGM the following day.

4.0 Reports on Meetings / Events cont'd.

4.03 Report on AIPA Board Meeting, March 16th, Lethbridge

An update was provided from B. Chrumka and R. Owen regarding matters discussed between irrigation districts at the AIPA Board Meeting in Lethbridge on March 16th.

[3:45 p.m. I. Friesen, K. Bridges and W. Enns exited the meeting.]

2018-03-184 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board resolve into the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2018-03-185 Moved by J. Hale that the meeting be reconvened. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13.0 Upcoming Events

- 13.01 Annual General Meeting
- 13.02 Nominations Close
- 13.03 Aggie Days AIPA Booth
- 13.04 Election [if necessary]
- 13.05 Organizational Meeting
- 13.06 Regular Board Meeting
- 13.07 AIPA MLA Meet & Greet
- 13.08 Regular Board Meeting

- Tuesday, March 20th, 1:30 p.m., Heritage Inn
- Wednesday, March 21st, 5:00 p.m.
- Saturday, April 14th, Nutrien Western Event Centre, Calgary
- Tuesday, April 17th
- Tuesday, April 24th, 9:00 a.m.
- Tuesday, April 24th
- Tuesday, May 8th, Edmonton
- Tuesday, May 22nd, 9:00 a.m.

J. Hale moved adjournment of the meeting at 4:42 p.m.

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Chairman

General Manager

April 24, 2018 Organizational & Regular Directors Meetings

The Directors of the Eastern Irrigation District held an organizational meeting and a regular meeting on the 24th day of April, 2018. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Jason Hale	Director	[Division 1]	Mr. Ivan Friesen
Mr. Jim Culligan	Director	[Division 2]	Mr. Kevin Bridges
Mr. Ross Owen	Chair	[Division 3]	Mrs. Wendy Enns
Mr. Rod Johnson	Director	[Division 4]	
Mr. Tony Brummelhuis	Director	[Division 5]	
Mr. Bob Chrumka	Vice-Chair	[Division 6]	
Mr. George Murray V	Director	[Division 7]	

General Manager Assistant GM - Corporate Services **Executive Assistant**

[8:55 a.m. The District's solicitor Dennis Roth, of Ackroyd LLP entered the meeting.]

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

The Organizational Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

1.0 Elections

1.01 **Election of Chairman**

I. Friesen took the chair and called for nominations for Chairman.

2018-04-186 Moved by B. Chrumka that R. Owen be nominated for Chairman. Seconded by J. Culligan.

Mr. Friesen called for nominations a second and third time. As no further nominations were placed, R. Owen was elected Chairman by acclamation.

1.02 **Election of Vice-Chairman**

R. Owen called for nominations for Vice-Chairman.

2018-04-187 Moved by J. Culligan that B. Chrumka be nominated for Vice-Chairman. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis.

Moved by G. Murray that J. Hale be nominated for Vice-Chairman. Seconded by R. Johnson. 2018-04-188

A ballot vote was conducted; B. Chrumka was elected Vice-Chairman.

2.0 **Appointments**

2.01 **Committee of the Whole**

All Directors are included on the Committee of the Whole.

2.02 **Alberta Irrigation Projects Association Executive**

B. Chrumka will continue as AIPA Representative; G. Murray will act as alternate.

2.03 Prairie Conservation Forum

T. Brummelhuis will continue as PCF Representative.

2.04 Crawling Valley Recreation Society

J. Hale will continue as CVRS Representative.

2.05 Joint Shared Services Committee

J. Culligan will continue as JSSC Representative; B. Chrumka will act as alternate.

2.06 MHC, Brooks Campus – Advisory Committee

J. Hale will continue as MHC, Brooks Campus Advisory Committee Representative.

2.07 Scholarship Selection Committee

All Directors and I. Friesen are included on the Scholarship Selection Committee, with the prerequisite of members stepping down if in conflict.

2.08 Watershed & Storage Committee

R. Johnson, G. Murray, J. Hale, T. Brummelhuis and I. Friesen will continue on the Watershed & Storage Committee.

2018-04-189 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the appointments as stated. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REGULAR MEETING

2018-04-190 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board resolve into the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[9:09 a.m. I. Friesen, K. Bridges and W. Enns exited the meeting.]

[9:38 a.m. I. Friesen re-entered the meeting.]

[9:45 a.m. G. Murray exited the meeting.]

[10:38 a.m. - 10:44 a.m. Short break.]

[12:25 p.m. In-Camera session concluded.]

2018-04-191 Moved by J. Culligan that the meeting be reconvened. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[12:26 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lunch break; D. Roth exited the meeting; G. Murray and W. Enns re-entered the meeting.] [1:00 p.m. Rod Bennett, Director – Irrigation Management Section, Agriculture & Forestry entered the meeting.]

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

1.0 Approval of Agenda

The following item was added to the agenda:

• 13.0 Letter from Robin & Pascalle Wisse

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The following items were deferred to the May meeting:

- 17.0 District Cost Comparisons
- 18.0 Water Storage Projects Fund Feasibility Analysis
- 19.0 Restrictive Covenants
- 11.0 Lands cont'd.
- 11.04.5 Irrigated Encroachment Lease Agreement Update
- 11.04.6 Landowner Board Presentation Requests
- 11.01.2 Request to Purchase Land Keith Benson SW 25-16-14 W4M
- 11.01.3 Request to Purchase Land Gary Krause SW 23-14-13 W4M
- 11.03.2 PGL #7293 Update

2018-04-192 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board adopt the revised Agenda as amended. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11:30 a.m. Rod Bennett, Director – Irrigation Management Section, Agriculture & Forestry

Rod Bennett, Director of the Irrigation Management Section of Agriculture & Forestry was invited to present an update on district-wide irrigation efficiency gains as well as data specific to the EID. 1999 data was compared to 2016, using amount of irrigation acres, district infrastructure, method of irrigation and crop mix parameters. The following trends and advancements were found:

Eastern Irrigation District				
Parameter	ter 1999		2016	
Irrigated Area	276,036 acro	es	300,008 acres (+23,972)	
Crop Mix	Forages	51.7 %	Forages	41.0 %
	Cereals	29.4 %	Cereals	29.5 %
	Specialty	10.0 %	Specialty	19.4 %
	Oilseeds	7.8 %	Oilseeds	9.9 %
	Other	1.1 %	Other	0.2 %
Method	Gravity	40.0 %	Gravity	16.9 %
of	Low Pressure Pivot	25.1 %	Low Pressure Pivot	67.5 %
Irrigation	Wheels	22.5 %	Wheels	5.7 %
	High Pressure Pivot	11.7 %	High Pressure Pivot	9.6 %
	Other	0.7 %	Other	0.3 %
Infrastructure	Un-rehabbed	52.1 %	Un-rehabbed	12.9 %
	Pipelines	22.3 %	Pipelines	62.6 %
	Earthen Canals	14.2 %	Earthen Canals	10.4 %
	Lined Canals	11.4 %	Lined Canals	14.1 %

Modelling was based on historical weather conditions dating back to 1928. Simulations using several levels of exceedances were used to analyze gross demand, on-farm demand and conveyance losses on a flow volume and depth per unit area basis. Using a 10% chance of exceedance (extremely warm, dry year), modelling supported on-farm efficiencies gained to be a 5.8" reduction in usage and a 3.8" reduction in conveyance. Using a 90% chance of exceedance, on-farm efficiencies gained are a 4.0" reduction in usage and a 2.6" reduction in conveyance. Although this analysis is fairly simplistic, it supports District data and proves that significant gains have been made in the EID in the last approximate 20 years. It was advised that thorough

expansion modelling is still required to assess the District at incremental potentials in consideration of increasing the irrigation expansion limit.

[1:27 p.m. Rod Bennett exited the meeting; K. Bridges rejoined and E. Wilson entered.]

2.0 Approval of Minutes

2.01 March 19, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting

The minutes were accepted as presented.

2018-04-193 Moved by J. Hale that the Minutes of the March 19, 2018 Regular Board Meeting be approved as presented. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.0 Bassano Dam Emergency Spillway

E. Wilson reported that the contractor is working on the upper slab portion of the spillway; two large 680 m³ pours and one small 80 m³ pour being completed. A 550 m³ pour and an 80 m³ pour are scheduled this week. With poor road conditions and road bans in the County of Vulcan, the contractor is having to haul half loads of concrete powder, fly ash and steel but there have been no delays.

[1:37 p.m. E. Wilson exited the meeting.]

4.0 Reports on Meetings / Events

4.01 Report on AIPA Executive Meeting – April 3rd, Lethbridge

I. Friesen attended a special meeting of the AIPA Executive in Lethbridge on April 3rd to discuss the annual provincial Irrigation Rehabilitation Projects (IRP) funding. It had been announced to irrigation districts that government funding was decreased from \$19 M to \$14 M for 2018, to remain at \$14 M for 2019, and to further be decreased to \$10 M in 2020. Other AIPA matters disclosed that letters from all districts have not yet been received requesting irrigation districts to be included under the definition of "elected authorities" in the *LAEA* and that discussions with the energy consultant have been pushed back to a later date.

5.0 Business Arising

There were no matters raised.

6.0 Financial Report

K. Bridges presented the following Financial Report.

6.01 March 31, 2018 Financial Statements

The financial statements to March 31, 2018 were reviewed, noting the following overall:

• YTD revenues total about \$20.3 million and are tracking on YTD budget.

- YTD net operating expenses total about \$12.3 million and are tracking about 21% (\$3.2 million) under YTD budget.
- YTD potential transfer to the IWF is about \$8.0 million.

2018-04-194 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Financial Statements to March 31, 2018, as presented. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.02 2nd Quarter Investment Report – March 31, 2018

The book value of the District's investments plus bank account balances at March 31, 2018 was \$5,753,227 or 5.29% lower than the book value at September 30, 2017. A number of questions were responded to by administration.

Investment	Matured	Purchased
EID – Short Term	\$14,120,000	\$13,550,000
IRP – Short Term	\$1,600,000	\$1,400,000
Emergency Spillway – Short Term	\$11,020,000	\$7,950,000
EID – Long Term	-	-
Partners in Habitat Development	\$150,000	\$150,000

- 2018-04-195 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the 2nd Quarter Investment Report to March 31, 2018 as presented. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - **6.03 2nd Quarter Accounts Receivable Report March 31, 2018** A variety of accounts were detailed.
- 2018-04-196 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the 2nd Quarter Accounts Receivable Report to March 31, 2018 as presented. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - **6.04** Irrigation Districts Operational Grant The 2018-2019 Provincial Budget contained 3 announcements of significance to irrigation districts.

With regard to Irrigation Rehabilitation Projects (IRP) Funding for all irrigation districts:

- total for 2018/19 will be \$14 M (a reduction of \$5 M from 2017/18)
- total for 2019/20 will remain at \$14 M
- total for 2020/21 will be reduced to \$10 M

With regard to the Growing Forward 2 Program:

• a new funding agreement will become effective in April 2018; \$406 M will be invested into this program over 5 years (similar to previous years funding)

A new, one-time, Irrigation Districts Operational Grant with total funding of \$3 M was also announced:

- eligible expenses are salaries, contracted services and professional fees
- the EID's share will be \$719,687; there is no requirement to match any portion of the grant funds

7.0 EIDNet Report

There have been no major issues since the last report.

Current EIDNet Customer Accounts		
Legacy Residential Accounts	100	
Residential Accounts 1,566		
Business Accounts 27		
EID Automation 4		
Total 1,697		

8.0 Operations

I. Friesen presented the following Operations Report.

8.01 Snowpack Report

Snowpack levels are recording at or above the upper quartile in all reported areas of the Bow River catchment.

8.02 Reservoir Status

Last fall, reservoirs were replenished to normal winter levels; to date, reservoirs are still frozen over and spring readings cannot be taken until they have thawed. To bring reservoirs up to normal operating levels will likely require 40,000 - 45,000 acre feet. Both Alberta Environment and the District installed flow measurement devices on the 19th and building pool began on the 20th. To minimize damage to the still frozen canals, diversions will start slowly on April 23rd – 24th and ramp up as canals thaw. It is anticipated that early demand for water will be low and that the District be fully operational by May 10th.

[1:59 p.m. R. Gagley, J. Kabut and R. Summach entered the meeting.]

8.03 Flooding / Drainage

Significant overland flooding occurred in the EID this spring, beginning in the south and migrating northward. Some damage to District infrastructure has been identified, with District equipment used to alleviate flood areas where possible. It is planned to assess areas of concern and address through the Joint Drainage Program; some areas may be reprioritized.

9.0 Engineering

R. Gagley presented the following Engineering Report.

9.01 **Project Status Costs-to-Date**

As of last week, all capital construction projects are complete and ready for the water season. All projects, except for Sec A Rolling Hills, will still need final cleanup now that the frost is coming out of the ground. There is major flooding throughout the District and crews are assisting landowners wherever possible. The following table details project costs-to-date.

EID CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS				
Project	Estimate	Spent	Completion	
EARTHWORKS				
South Bantry Drain	\$3,286,000	\$2,302,000	100%	
PIPELINE				
05-C East Branch	\$2,918,000	\$2,358,000	100%	
09 Rolling Hills	\$ 735,000	\$ 701,000	100%	
08-H West Bantry	\$ 774,000	\$ 666,000	100%	
04 Scott Canal	\$ 351,000	\$ 312,000	100%	
M Tilley	\$ 405,000	\$ 415,000	100%	
05 Rolling Hills	\$2,110,000	\$1,617,000	100%	
EID/JBS	\$1,828,000	\$1,565,000	100%	
STRUCTURES				
17/18 Structure Program	\$1,461,000	\$ 300,000	100%	
IRP PROJECTS				
Sec A Rolling Hills	\$ 828,000	\$ 884,000	100%	

9.02 Capital Assets Cost-Share – 826167 Alberta Inc. (Firmin Declercq) – Update

In follow up to last month, R. Summach presented a second option for a cost-share water delivery for 826167 Alberta Inc. (Firmin Declercq). It is being proposed that the delivery for newly approved irrigation development projects in S ½ 16, N ½ 21 & Pt. SE 28-19-12 W4M be located off of AH North Bantry, rather than a berm into Tilley B Reservoir. This would require installation of 4 km of pipeline. As per the Capital Assets Bylaw, the EID will contribute 75% of the cost of any irrigation works specifically required for any new parcel, up to 25% of the Capital Asset Charge. A lengthy discussion was held. Direction was given that the maximum available District contribution would be \$105,000; conditional upon an irrigable unit being registered, and the removal of the pump and reclamation of the pump site at Tilley B Reservoir. This project is to be brought back to the Board for final approval.

9.03 Drain Relocation – 1885723 Alberta Ltd. (Firmin Declercq and Tom Declercq) – SE 26-17-17

J. Kabut advised that 1885723 Alberta Ltd. (Firmin Declercq and Tom Declercq) is requesting a drain relocation in SE 26-17-17 W4M to accommodate a new pivot with corner arm. The current drain severs the NW portion of the quarter and it is being proposed to relocate the drain to the west and north boundaries of the quarter. The project is estimated to cost \$64,500 of which the EID by policy would pay 75% up to \$50,000.

2018-04-197 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement Drain Relocation for 1885723 Alberta Ltd. (Firmin Declercq and Tom Declercq) in SE 26-17-17 W4M, to be funded on a 75/25 cost-share basis up to \$50,000. The total project cost is \$64,500; of which the EID would pay \$48,375 and the Landowner would pay \$16,125. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.04 01-C Springhill – Rock Lake Dairy Ltd. (John DeJong and Brian DeJong) Pivot Crossings

J. Kabut also advised that through preliminary discussions with affected landowners regarding the 01-C Springhill pipeline project, the landowner of NE 06-20-14 W4M proposed to allow the District to pipe diagonally through the quarter, forfeiting the right-of-way payments, in exchange for 8 bridges. The bridges would be replacing culverts which are currently installed. The cost of the bridges, including installation, is \$60,000; the ROW payments would be \$15,000. A thorough discussion was held concerning this request and other possibilities for this rehab project.

2018-04-198 Moved by J. Culligan that for the NE 06-20-14 W4M portion of the preliminary 01-C Springhill project:

- bridges be installed to replace pivot crossing culverts at the District's cost,
- the Landowner forfeit the ROW payments for pipelining diagonally through the quarter,
- the Landowner chooses to either come off the existing pipelines or off the new 01-C pipeline, and
- if coming off the new pipeline, the deliveries in SE 06 & SE 07 be capped off. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was requested that information be brought back to the Board regarding factoring additional landowners onto this system (landowners, acres, costs, potential freeing up of other systems, etc.).

[3:18 p.m. – 3:24 p.m. Short break; R. Gagley, J. Kabut and R. Summach exited the meeting, N. Fontaine and R. Volek entered.]

10.0 Equipment

10.01 Sale of Excavators – Results of Bids

The following bids were received for the 2014 John Deere 250 and 2013 350 excavators.

Bids on Purchase of Used Excavators			
Company 2014 JD 250 GLC - Unit 529 2013 JD 350 GLC			
Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers	\$110,000 + GST	\$116,000 + GST	
Murray Toton	\$105,450 + GST	-	
Century Auctions	\$ 99,150 + GST	\$103,500 + GST	
Michener Allen Auctioneering	\$ 86,800 + GST	\$102,800 + GST	
Grosfield Farms	\$ 10,001 + GST	\$ 10,001 + GST	
Fairville Farming Co. Ltd.	-	\$160,000 + GST	
Arthur Jaques	-	\$136,100 + GST	

2018-04-199 Moved by J. Hale that the District sell:

- the 2014 John Deere 250 GLC Excavator for \$110,000 + GST to Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers, and
- the 2013 John Deere 350 GLC Excavator for \$160,000 + GST to Fairville Farming Co. Ltd. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.0 Lands

11.01 Lands, Oil & Gas

N. Fontaine presented the following Lands, Oil & Gas Report.

11.01.1 Oil & Gas Mid-Year Summary – October 1, 2017 to April 19, 2018

Mr. Fontaine responded to a number of questions and presented the Oil & Gas Mid-Year Summary as follows:

Oil & Gas Activity Report	
New Activity – October 1, 2017 to April 16, 2018	
New Locations	31
Twinned Wells	18
Total	49
Pipelines	95.2 acres or 16 miles
Abandoned & Reclaimed – October 1, 2017 to April 16, 2018	
Abandonment Notifications	68 (63 CNRL, 5 Cardinal)
Abandoned Twinned Wells	3 (2 CNRL, 1 Cardinal)
Reclamation Certificates	4 (2 Cenovus, 1 Torxen, 1 ARC)
Canceled Locations	-

11.02 Habitat, Wildlife & Access

11.02.1 PHD Annual Report

The 2017 Annual Report of the Partners in Habitat Development program was accepted as information.

11.03 Grazing

R. Volek presented the following Grazing Report.

11.03.1 Report on GAC Meeting

A Grazing Advisory Committee Meeting was held April 18th to review the 2018 cattle listings, Swingfield allocations, pasture conditions, policy and a variety of miscellaneous matters. Four recommendations were made to the Board as follows:

- GAC18-04 J. Neely moved to recommend to the EID Board of Directors to accept the proposed changes to Sections 2.7 & 4.7 of the Grazing Policy as presented. Seconded by M. Shackleton. CARRIED
- GAC18-05 D. Doerksen moved to recommend to the EID Board of Directors to increase the maximum cattle listing number back to 84 from 82. Seconded by D. Vossepoel. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- GAC18-06 D. Doerksen moved to recommend to EID Board of Directors to leave the wording regarding clause 2.3 (Purposes of Pastures on EID Lands) and clause 3.6 (Spousal

Membership Limitations) in the Policy Governing Eligibility & Operation of Pasture of EID Lands, the same. Seconded by R. McColl. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

GAC18-07 D. Peltzer moved to recommend to the EID Board of Directors to leave the Policy Governing Eligibility and Operation of Pasture of EID Lands, concerning residency as is. Seconded by M. Shackleton. CARRIED In Favour – 14 Opposed - 5

Mr. Volek presented a draft Grazing Policy and advised that the revisions offer further clarity to clause 2.7 "Minimum and Maximum Number of Cattle an Association Member May Place in a Pasture" and clause 4.7 "New Member Listing Restrictions". The grazing policy in its entirety is accessible on the District's website.

2018-04-200 Moved by J. Culligan that the Policy Governing Eligibility and Operation of Pastures on EID Lands be revised as presented regarding clause 2.7 "Minimum and Maximum Number of Cattle an Association Member May Place in a Pasture" and clause 4.7 "New Member Listing Restrictions". Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

From the fall/early winter GAC Meeting it was recommended to reduce the maximum number of cattle per member from 84 to 82 as listings were up and spring ground moisture was uncertain. After receiving the abundant snow cover this spring and higher than normal requests to reduce individual listings due to the challenging calving season, listings have dropped (down 291 head from 2017). It was then recommended to revert to the same maximum number per member as in 2017.

2018-04-201 Moved by R. Johnson that the maximum number of cow/calf pairs per member for the 2018 grazing season be increased to 84 for full members, 56 for 2nd year members, and 28 for 1st year members. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Board Motion 2018-01-057 to amend the Grazing Policy concerning spousal limitations did not get support at the GAC Meeting. It was also recommended by the GAC to not revise the Policy regarding residency requirements. There was no further Board deliberation on these matters.

[3:45 p.m. N. Fontaine and R. Volek exited the meeting; S. Connauton entered.]

11.04 Assessment, Water & Lands

S. Connauton presented the following Assessment, Water & Lands Report.

11.04.1 Farm Improvement Grant Applications

All new Farm Improvement Grants are subject to a reduction of \$500/acre for any corner acres or acres kept outside the pivot area; and a reduction for any previous grants received on that parcel. For any irrigation acres which are returned to the District, the EID will pay \$1,000/acre. For infill irrigation acres purchased, the capital assets charge is \$300/acre. With proof of installation, applications will be considered on a 2 year retroactive basis; with any approvals based on the grant values at the time of installation.

<u>Conversions</u> (wheels, pivot, sub-surface) The EID will pay up to \$100/irrigated acre for conversions, as per policy.

[3:48 p.m. J. Culligan and R. Johnson declared a pecuniary interest and exited the meeting.]

11.04.1.1 Flood to Pivot – Jim & Jennifer Aleman – NW 10-17-13 W4M

Current Assessment:

Converting:

- 121 acres flood
- 121 acres flood to pivot; 6 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 127 acres, all under pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-04-202 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Jim & Jennifer Aleman for the conversion of 121 acres flood to pivot in NW 10-17-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$12,100 (121 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$1,800 (6 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.04.1.2 Wheels to Pivot – James & Jean Culligan – NE 29-21-14 W4M

- Current Assessment: 30 acres wheels, 6 acres flood
- Converting: 30 acres wheels to wiper pivot; 5 acre separate flood field and 1 acre

kept in corner

- Assessment remains the same at 36 acres (30 wiper pivot, 6 flood)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-04-203 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for James & Jean Culligan for the conversion of 30 acres wheels to wiper pivot in NE 29-21-14 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$3,000 (30 acres x \$100/acre) less \$500 (1 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$2,500. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.04.1.3 Flood to Pivot – Thomas & Claudia Declercq – NE 23-17-17 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 99 acres flood (34 acres purchased for 2002 general assessment)
- Current Assessment: 133 acres flood;
- Converting: 133 acres flood to wiper pivot; 5 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 138 acres, all under wiper pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-04-204 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Thomas & Claudia Declercq for the conversion of 99 acres flood to wiper pivot in NE 23-17-17 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$9,900 (99 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$1,500 (5 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.04.1.4 Flood to Pivot – North Shore Farms Ltd. (Sheldon Kennedy) – SE 12-17-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 137 acres flood
- Converting: 137 acres flood to pivot with corner arm
- Assessment remains the same at 137 acres (123 pivot, 14 corner arm)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-04-205 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for North Shore Farms Ltd. (Sheldon Kennedy) for the conversion of 137 acres flood to pivot with corner arm in SE 12-17-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$12,300 (123)

acres x 100/acre + 9,800 (14 acres x 700/acre) = 22,100. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.04.1.5 Flood to Pivot & Corner Arm – Erik Versteegen – NE 17-15-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 134 acres flood
- Converting: 134 acres flood to pivot with corner arm; 15 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 149 acres (135 pivot, 14 corner arm)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-04-206 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Erik Versteegen for the conversion of 134 acres flood to pivot with corner arm in NE 17-15-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$13,400 (134 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$4,500. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

<u>Cost-Shares</u> (turnouts, crossings, drain relos, tree removal, machine levelling, gated pipe, etc.) The EID will cost-share the project up to a maximum amount, as per policy.

11.04.1.6 Tree Removal – Erik Versteegen – NE 17-15-13 W4M

The landowner is applying for a 50/50 cost-share for the removal of trees and leveling in NE 17-15-13 W4M to accommodate a new pivot. The project is estimated to cost \$12,000 of which the EID by policy will pay 50% up to \$12,000. The hauling is additional to the cost-share and will be paid by the landowner; it is estimated to cost \$18,000.

- 2018-04-207 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Erik Versteegen for the removal of trees and leveling in NE 17-15-13 W4M, to be funded on a 50/50 cost-share basis up to \$12,000. The project is estimated to cost \$12,000; of which the Landowner's share is \$6,000. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- [3:53 p.m. J. Culligan rejoined the meeting.]

<u>Upgrades</u> (panels, nozzles, drag hoses, pivots, pumps) Upon receipt, the EID will pay up to \$100/irrigated acre for upgrades, as per policy.

11.04.1.7 Pump & Nozzles – 826167 AB Inc. (Firmin Declercq) – Sec. 04-20-12 W4M

- Current Assessment: 280 acres pivot (227 acres large pivot, 53 acres small pivot)
- Installing: pump & nozzle upgrade; 7 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 287 acres, all under 2 pivots (234 acres, 53 acres)
- 2018-04-208 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for 826167 Alberta Inc. (Firmin Declercq) for the pump and nozzle upgrade in Sec. 04-20-12 W4M quoted at \$8,620; subject to the Landowner fulfilling general assessment and irrigation development approval requirements. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$28,000 (280 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$8,620. The capital assets charge is \$2,100 (7 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.04.1.8 Pivot Upgrades – 826167 AB Inc. (Firmin Declercq) – NE 05-20-12 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 112 acres (13 acres purchased for 2002 general assessment)
- Current Assessment: 125 acres pivot

• Installing:

New Assessment:

pivot upgrades; 5 additional acres needed 130 acres, all under pivot

2018-04-209 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for 826167 Alberta Inc. (Firmin Declercq) for the pivot upgrades in NE 05-20-12 W4M quoted at \$3,102; subject to the Landowner fulfilling general assessment and irrigation development approval requirements. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$11,200 (112 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$3,102. The capital assets charge is \$1,500 (5 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.04.1.9 Pivot Upgrades – 826167 AB Inc. (Firmin Declercq) – NW 05-20-12 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 107 acres (5 acres purchased for 2002 general assessment)
- Current Assessment: 112 acres pivot
- Installing: pivot upgrades; 3 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 115 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-04-210 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for 826167 Alberta Inc. (Firmin Declercq) for the pivot upgrades in NW 05-20-12 W4M quoted at \$2,392; subject to the Landowner fulfilling general assessment and irrigation development approval requirements. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$10,700 (107 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$2,392. The capital assets charge is \$900 (3 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 11.04.1.10 Nozzles 826167 AB Inc. (Firmin Declercq) Pt. NE 33 & NW 33-19-12 W4M and Pt. SW 04-20-12 W4M
 - Current Assessment: 135 acres pivot
 - Installing: nozzle upgrades; 7 additional acres needed
 - New Assessment: 142 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-04-211 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for 826167 Alberta Inc. (Firmin Declercq) for the nozzle upgrades in Pt. NE 33 & NW 33-19-12 W4M and Pt. SW 04-20-12 W4M quoted at \$5,220; subject to the Landowner fulfilling general assessment and irrigation development approval requirements. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,500 (135 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$5,220. The capital assets charge is \$2,100 (7 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-04-212 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the discharge of the Irrigable Unit on NW 33-19-12 W4M and Sec. 04-20-12 W4M, all lands being owned by 826167 Alberta Inc. (Firmin Declercq). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-04-213 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the registration of an Irrigable Unit on NW 33 & NE 33-19-12 W4M and Sec. 04-20-12 W4M, all lands being owned by 826167 Alberta Inc. (Firmin Declercq). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 11.04.1.11 Panel 459 Ranches Ltd. (Inge Ellefson) NW 30-19-13 W4M
 - Current Assessment: 130 acres pivot
 - Previous Grant: \$3,900 (motion 2008-02-021)

- Installing:
- Assessment remains the same at 130 acres, all under pivot •
- 2018-04-214 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for 459 Ranches Ltd. (Inge Ellefson) for the panel upgrade in NW 30-19-13 W4M guoted at \$7,682. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,000 (130 acres x \$100/acre) less \$3,900 (previous grant) = \$9,100; with the payable amount being \$7,682. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

panel upgrade

11.04.1.12 Pivot Replacement – Fleming Bros. Livestock Ltd. (Barry Fleming) – S 1/2 32-16-16 W4M

- Current Assessment: 99 acres pivot •
- Installing: replacement pivot; 4 acres to be transferred for general assessment, keeping 2 acres in corners, (4 acres previously received grant -SE 32) 95 acres (93 wiper pivot, 2 corners)
- New Assessment: •
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Fleming Bros. 2018-04-215 Livestock Ltd. (Barry Fleming) for the replacement pivot in S 1/2 32-16-16 W4M quoted at \$113,546. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$8,900 (89 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$8,900 less \$1,000 (2 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$7,900. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.04.1.13 Pivot Replacement & Corner Arm – Susan Huber – NW 35-14-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 99 acres (37 acres purchased for 2002 general assessment)
- 152 acres pivot; (16 additional acres purchased for 2017 general Current Assessment: assessment)
- Previous Grant: \$5,711 (motion 96-04-2004)
- Installing: replacement pivot with corner arm
- Assessment remains the same at 152 acres, all under corner arm pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-04-216 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Susan Huber for the replacement pivot with corner arm in NW 35-14-13 W4M guoted at \$143,390. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$9,900 (99 acres x \$100/acre) less \$5,711 (previous grant) = \$4,189; with the payable amount being \$4,189. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.04.1.14 Panel – Eileen & Isaak Schroeder – SE & SW 35-16-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 202 acres
- Current Assessment: 205 acres pivot; (3 acres added for general assessment)
- Previous Grant: \$2,500 (motion 44-04-2000)
- Installing: panel upgrade on wiper pivot (70 acres)
- Assessment remains the same at 205 acres, all under pivot and wiper pivot
- Wiper pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-04-217 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Eileen & Isaak Schroeder for the panel upgrade in Pt. S ½ 35-16-13 W4M guoted at \$10,609. The Farm

Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$20,200 (202 acres x \$100/acre) less \$2,500 (previous grant) = 17,700; with the payable amount being \$6,133 (70 acres x \$87.62/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.04.1.15 Pivot Replacement – Snake Lake Land & Cattle Inc. (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) – N 1/2 05 & S 1/2 08-20-17 W4M

- Current Assessment: 311 acres pivot
- Installing: replacement pivot; 4 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 315 acres, all under pivot
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-04-218 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Snake Lake Land & Cattle Inc. (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) for the replacement pivot in N ½ 05 & S ½ 08-20-17 W4M quoted at \$156,729. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$31,100 (311 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.04.1.16 Pivot Replacement – Snake Lake Land & Cattle Inc. (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) – Sec. 06 & W ½ 05-20-17 W4M

- Current Assessment: 288 acres pivot
- Installing: replacement pivot; 6 acres to be transferred out for general assessment
- New Assessment: 282 acres, all under pivot
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-04-219 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Snake Lake Land & Cattle Inc. (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) for the replacement pivot in Sec. 06 & W ½ 05-20-17 W4M quoted at \$154,104. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$28,200 (282 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.04.1.17 Panel – Springside Hutterian Brethren Ltd. – Pt. Sec. 29 & Pt. SE 30-21-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 139 acres
- Current Assessment: 168 acres pivot (29 acres purchased for irrigation development)
- Installing: panel upgrade; 12 acres transferred in for general assessment
- New Assessment: 180 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-04-220 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Springside Hutterian Brethren Ltd. for the panel upgrade in Pt. Sec. 29 & Pt. SE 30-21-13 W4M quoted at \$4,440. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,900 (139 acres x \$100/acre), with the payable amount being \$4,440. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.04.1.18 Panel – Springside Hutterian Brethren Ltd. – SE 29-21-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 36 acres
- Current Assessment: 157 acres pivot (121 acres purchased for irrigation development)
- Installing: panel upgrade; 10 acres transferred in for general assessment
- New Assessment: 167 acres, all under pivot
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-04-221 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Springside Hutterian Brethren Ltd. for the panel upgrade in SE 29-21-13 W4M quoted at \$3,640. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$3,600 (36 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$3,000 (10 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.04.1.19 Pivot Replacement & Corner Arm – Erik Versteegen – SE 03-15-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 138 acres
- Installing: replacement pivot with corner arm; 2 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 140 acres (130 pivot, 10 corner arm)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-04-222 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Erik Versteegen for the replacement pivot with corner arm in SE 03-15-13 W4M quoted at \$141,390. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,800 (138 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$13,000 (130 acres x \$100/acre) + \$5,600 (8 acres x \$700/acre) = \$18,600. The capital assets charge is \$600 (2 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.04.1.20 Panel & Pump – Darcy Walde – SE 17-23-16 W4M

- Current Assessment: 149 acres corner arm pivot
- Previous Grant: \$4,481 (motion 2006-12-236)
- Installing: panel & pump upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 149 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-04-223 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Darcy Walde for the panel and pump upgrade in SE 17-23-16 W4M quoted at \$7,862. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$14,900 (149 acres x \$100/acre) less \$4,481 (previous grant) = \$10,419; with the payable amount being \$7,862. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

<u>Conversions</u> (wheels, pivot, sub-surface) & <u>Upgrades</u> (panels, nozzles, drag hoses, pivots, pumps)

11.04.1.21 Irrigable Unit Registration – Lammert & Dicky Lyzenga and Bonny & Greg Spragg – W Pt. & E Pt. SW 29-20-15 W4M

The landowners are installing a pivot in SW 29-20-15 W4M. As the quarter is subdivided into E & W halves and the delivery is in the E half, an irrigable unit registration on the complete quarter is required.

2018-04-224 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the registration of an Irrigable Unit on W Pt. SW 29-20-15 W4M, lands being owned by Lammert & Dicky Lyzenga, and E Pt. SW 29-20-15 W4M, lands being owned by Greg & Bonnie Spragg. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.04.1.22 Wheels to Pivot & Corner Arm – Lammert & Dicky Lyzenga – W Pt. SW 29-20-15 W4M

- Current Assessment: 68 acres wheels
- Converting: 68 wheels to pivot with corner arm; 7 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 75 acres (67 pivot, 8 corner arm)

2018-04-225 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Lammert & Dicky Lyzenga for the conversion of 68 acres wheels to pivot in W Pt. SW 29-20-15 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$6,800 (68 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$6,700 (67 acres x \$100/acre) + \$700 (1 acre x \$700/acre) = \$7,400. The capital assets charge is \$2,100 (7 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.04.1.23 Pivot Replacement & Corner Arm – Bonnie Spragg – E Pt. SW 29-20-15 W4M

- Current Assessment: 75 acres wheels
- Converting: 75 wheels to pivot with corner arm; 2 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 77 acres (68 pivot, 9 corner arm)
- 2018-04-226 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Greg & Bonnie Spragg for the conversion of 75 acres wheels to pivot in E Pt. SW 29-20-15 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$7,500 (75 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$6,800 (68 acres x \$100/acre) + \$4,900 (7 acre x \$700/acre) = \$11,700. The capital assets charge is \$600 (2 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[4:02 p.m. R. Johnson rejoined the meeting.]

11.04.2 Assessment Report to March 31, 2018

The Assessment Report for the period of January 1, 2018 to March 31, 2018 was presented, summarized as follows.

EID WATER ROLL					
Acres on the Water Roll	Irrigation Acres	Terminable Acres	Total		
January 1, 2018	296,959	4,604	301,563		
March 31, 2018	297,363	4,510	301,873		
Net increase	404	< 94 >	310		
Irrigation Acres Removed from the Water Roll (acres sold back for new subdivisions or part of Farm	< 5 >				
Irrigation Acres Added to the Water Roll (acres purchased through Irrigation Dev. App. or Farm Improvement efficiencies)					
Terminable Acres Converted to Irrigation Acres					
Terminable Acres Canceled	0				

11.04.3 General Assessment Update

An update regarding the general assessment process was detailed as follows:

- 3,461 parcels were reviewed; 2,319 parcels required no change; 1,142 parcels required changes
- 356 parcels have completed the process; 786 parcels are in the process (under review, or waiting on paperwork, Farm Improvement grants, irrigation development or soils testing)
- 774 acres added to the roll for general assessment balancing; 66 acres currently being processed; 3,002 acres yet to be added

11.04.4 Motion to Approve Transfer of Acres for General Assessment

There is potential for 1,251 acres to be transferred for general assessment balancing; to date 177 acres have had transfers completed. Similar to last year's request to approve transfers up to 5 acres in-house for the general assessment process, it was requested that in-house transfers from 6 to 20 acres also be approved. A spreadsheet of potential transfers was provided, subject to further review with the landowner and landowner consent. Any transfers over 20 acres will be brought to the Board for individual approval.

2018-04-227 Moved by B. Chrumka that, for General Assessment balancing, the Board approve the proposed transfers between 6 and 20 acres. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[4:23 p.m. S. Connauton exited the meeting.]

Further to discussions from the morning in-camera portion of the meeting on the new irrigation acres appeal, where 6 of 7 Board Members were present, and to address applications for new irrigation acres in 2019, the following motion was presented and subsequently approved after a brief discussion.

- 2018-04-228 Moved by B. Chrumka that, for the 2019 irrigation application season, the District reserve the remaining 3,000 acres below cap for infill acres, to a maximum of 50 acres/parcel as per the Increases in Irrigation Acres, Criteria & Guidelines Policy. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED IN FAVOUR B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, R. Johnson, J. Hale, T. Brummelhuis OPPOSED G. Murray
- 2018-04-229 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board resolve into the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[4:39 p.m. N. Fontaine re-entered the meeting.]

12.0 CNRL Update

[4:50 p.m. R. Gagley re-entered the meeting.]

- 13.0 Letter from Robin & Pascalle Wisse
- 14.0 Solar Krafte
 - 14.01 Email from Louise Beasley
- 15.0 Kinbrook Island Provincial Park EID Lands

16.0 Town of Bassano Storm Water Update

2018-04-230 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the meeting be reconvened. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13.0 Letter from Robin & Pascalle Wisse cont'd.

A response letter from the Board will be forwarded.

17.0 Upcoming Events

- 17.01 Regular Board Meeting
- Tuesday, May 22nd, 9:00 a.m.
- 17.02 Regular Board Meeting
- Tuesday, June 26th, 9:00 a.m.

J. Culligan moved adjournment of the meeting at 5:24 p.m.

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Chairman

General Manager

May 22, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting

The Directors of the Eastern Irrigation District held a regular meeting on the 22nd day of May, 2018. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Jason Hale	Director	[Division 1]
Mr. Jim Culligan	Director	[Division 2]
Mr. Ross Owen	Chair	[Division 3]
Mr. Rod Johnson	Director	[Division 4]
Mr. Tony Brummelhuis	Director	[Division 5]
Mr. Bob Chrumka	Vice-Chair	[Division 6]
Mr. George Murray V	Director	[Division 7]

Mr. Ivan Friesen Mr. Kevin Bridges Mrs. Wendy Enns General Manager Assistant GM – Corporate Services Executive Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m.

1.0 Approval of Agenda

- The following item was removed from the agenda:
- 7.0 District Cost Comparisons

2018-05-231 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board adopt the revised Agenda as amended. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.0 Approval of Minutes

2.01 April 24, 2018 Organizational & Regular Directors Meeting

The following was noted for revision:

- Page 81, further to 11.04.4 Motion to Approve Transfer of Acres for General Assessment: after "Further to discussions from the morning in-camera portion of the meeting" add "on the new irrigation acres appeal, where 6 of 7 Board Members were present,".
- 2018-05-232 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Minutes of the April 24, 2018 Organizational and Regular Board Meeting be approved as amended. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, R. Johnson, J. Hale, T. Brummelhuis OPPOSED – G. Murray

3.0 Review of March 20, 2018 AGM Minutes

The draft minutes for the 2018 Annual General Meeting were presented to Directors. These minutes will be brought back at a later date for review.

4.0 Reports on Meetings / Events

4.01 Irrigation Districts Managers Meeting – May 2nd, Lethbridge

I. Friesen attended an all Districts Managers Meeting in Lethbridge on May 2nd, which was the first of its type and was arranged to be held on a quarterly basis. The intent is to provide a forum for

recommendations to AIPA Executive on matters such as AIS prevention, water quality, overland flooding, reservoir project rankings, etc. Concerning Quagga and Zebra mussels, Directors enquired of the training program for EID staff and associated groups and discussed what some other districts had implemented. Kinbrook Island Provincial Park will be contacted regarding participation in the District's AIS inspection training planned for Rolling Hills Reservoir Campground and Crawling Valley Campground staff. A boat sticker system, similar to what the SMRID has begun, will be examined along with additional summer student focus on education and monitoring.

4.02 Expansion Modelling Meeting – May 3rd, Lethbridge

I. Friesen and E. Wilson met with Alberta Agriculture & Forestry to begin the expansion modelling process. A target increase of 29,000 irrigation acres will be modelled. A potential reservoir project for the EID and expansion plans of the Bow River sister districts (BRID and WID) is also factored into the model. The modelling is projected to take over 1 year to complete. A discussion was held as to whether it would be worthwhile to hire a consultant approved by Alberta Environment & Parks to shorten the overall timeline; the consultant's fee is roughly estimated to be around \$200,000.

2018-05-233 Moved by G. Murray that, in order to accelerate the project timeline, a consultant be hired to complete Alberta Environment & Parks' portion of the expansion modelling. Seconded by R. Johnson.

2018-05-234 Moved by J. Hale that motion 2018-05-233 be tabled to the next meeting. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, R. Johnson, J. Hale, T. Brummelhuis OPPOSED – G. Murray

Mr. Friesen was requested to find out a closer approximation of how much time may be saved by hiring a consultant for a portion of the modelling process.

4.03 AIPA MLA Reception – May 8th, Edmonton

I. Friesen represented the EID at the AIPA MLA Reception in Edmonton on May 8th. The meet and greet event was well received and a total of 21 MLAs or their designated representatives, including Oneil Carlier, Minister of Agriculture & Forestry and Shaye Anderson, Minister of Municipal Affairs, attended the event. An excellent address was delivered by Richard Phillips, GM for BRID, citing recent flood events experienced by districts, the value of IRP funding and the importance of the irrigation industry overall.

The Chairman advised that implementing a code of conduct for the Directors should be considered by the Board.

5.0 Business Arising

There were no matters raised.

6.0 Financial Report

K. Bridges presented the following Financial Report.

6.01 April 30, 2018 Financial Statements

The financial statements to April 30, 2018 were reviewed, noting the following overall:

- YTD revenues total about \$24.65 million and are tracking about 4% over YTD budget.
- YTD net operating expenses total about \$14.69 million and are tracking about 19% (\$3.47 million) under budget.
- YTD potential transfer to the IWF is about \$9.96 million.

2018-05-235 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Financial Statements to April 30, 2018, as presented. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.02 Appointment of the Auditor

In order to secure a firm to conduct the audit of the District's 2018 financial statements, an engagement letter from Bevan and Partners, Chartered Accountants was presented.

2017-05-236 Moved by J. Hale that the engagement letter, dated May 14, 2018 from Bevan and Partners, Chartered Accountants, for the audit of the Eastern Irrigation District's 2018 financial statements be approved and execution authorized. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[10:11 a.m. 10:15 a.m. Short break; R. Gagley, R. Summach and J. Kabut entered the meeting.]

7.0 EIDNet Report

No major issues were reported. The backhaul link between Brooks and Duchess has been upgraded to 800 Mbps and the Duchess to Rosemary link has been upgraded to 300 Mbps. All of the automation accounts are now operational.

8.0 **Operations**

Mr. Friesen presented the following Operations Report.

8.01 Snowpack Report

Snowpack levels, which were previously at or above the upper quartile, are rapidly diminishing given the duration of high temperatures experienced this spring.

8.02 Reservoir Status & Water Use to Date

The River and District reservoirs are in good shape; water conveyance began on May 10th. Approximately 500 parcels were being irrigated as of meeting date.

8.03 Flooding / Drainage Update

Overland flooding caused widespread minor damage throughout the system, with excessive frost also playing a role in leaks and damage. Priority fixes were done prior to charging the system and other repairs will be completed through the summer or after water shut down. Major damage was incurred on the Bow Slope Spillway; this has been patched, with a permanent repair scheduled once materials are available. The Province has not yet established a program or approved disaster recovery funding, although applications for disaster relief due to overland flood damages are being accepted to determine the need. The District will submit an application, likely totaling in the order of \$600,000.

9.0 Engineering

R. Gagley presented the following Engineering Report.

9.01 Capital Assets Cost-Share – Tim Anderson – NE 36-15-14 W4M & NW 31-15-13 W4M

R. Summach advised that as part of an irrigation development project approved last fall, Tim Anderson is proposing to locate his new delivery out of 12 Mile Drain in SE 06-16-13 W4M. As per the Capital Assets Bylaw, the EID will contribute 75% of the cost of any irrigation works specifically required for any new parcel, up to 25% of the capital assets charge. The proposed gabion rock wall filter, sump and required earth works is estimated to cost \$89,500; the capital assets charge for the irrigation development project is \$193,200. Other landowner situations were referenced in conjunction with this project.

2018-05-237 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Capital Assets Cost-Share for Tim Anderson in NE 36-15-14 W4M and NW 31-15-13 W4M for a new delivery to serve an approved irrigation development project. The new delivery (rock wall, sump & earth works) is estimated to cost \$89,500 of which by bylaw the District will contribute 75%, up to 25% of the Capital Assets charge = \$48,300; with the Landowner owing \$41,200. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.02 **Project for Review - 01-C Springhill**

J. Kabut presented the 01-C Springhill synopsis, slated for the 2018/19 construction year under the capital works program. This rehab project is located approximately 6 km south of Duchess and supplies 1,757 acres under pressurized pipeline, which are 100% sprinkler. In consideration of rehabbing the supply ditch to the pump station and the impending replacement of the pump station, 2 alternate options were presented. Option 1 – build a new pump station at Rock Lake Reservoir and install a 30" pipeline to tie into the existing system for an estimated \$5,012,000. Option 2 – install a 42" closed gravity pipeline from Rock Lake Reservoir to tie into the existing system for an estimated \$5,202,000. This option would eliminate the building and maintenance of a pump station but would require landowners to obtain their own pumps and energy. The two options were deliberated, with the following motion being approved.

2018-05-238 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve Option 2 of the 01-C Springhill project by installing a closed gravity pipeline for an estimated \$5,202,000; to be funded under the capital works program. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY [rescinded by motion 2020-06-193]

9.03 **Project for Review – North Bantry Spill 2**

As part of the 3-Year Capital Works Program, North Bantry Spill 2 was presented for review. Portions of video were shown and the drain discussed. It was surmised that, overall, the drain is performing sufficiently at this time and engineering was directed to not proceed with the project.

9.04 Reservoir Pumping

A thorough discussion was held on permitted deliveries located on-reservoir. Various individual access situations and particulars were mentioned. Hindrances to reservoir pumping were discussed, as well as the convenience to these water users of pumping earlier and later. Although the District's operational use of the reservoirs was firmly upheld, the District's obligations to delivery access, if any, were debated. It was requested that options be presented to Scott Tateson, a landowner accessing Bantry #1 Reservoir, with the information to be brought back to the Board.

9.05 Restrictive Covenants

Investigation into allowing the sharing of water on closed pipelines which are already at maximum capacity, has resulted in Admin and Board reviews and examining the requirements necessary for a restrictive covenant document. Further to this, individual discussions were recently held with landowners on a closed pipeline system where there has been interest expressed. In summarizing the imposed risk to all users on the system, the percentage opposing the idea and the administrative and operational supervision foreseen, it was directed that this option not be pursued by the District.

[11:53 a.m. R. Gagley, R. Summach and J. Kabut exited the meeting.]

10.0 Buildings & Grounds

10.01 Campgrounds Update

The electrical upgrades have been completed at the Rolling Hills Reservoir Campground. The campground opened Monday, May 14th with new Manager and Maintenance employees Blair & Greg Cyr. Winter conditions delayed the bathroom and shower house upgrade at Crawling Valley Campground. So as not to inconvenience the campers, it was proposed by the Crawling Valley Recreation Society that construction of the bathroom/shower house and the tie-in from the added structure to the existing be delayed until September. The campground opened Tuesday, May 1st.

11.0 Request for Funding

11.01 Rural Roots Canada – Rolling Hills Ag Day

A request for funding was received from Craig Lester of Rural Roots Canada. RRC is organizing an Ag Day in Rolling Hills to be held Thursday, June 14th. Ag related demos, workshops and tours will be offered to participants and farm safety presentations will be given to K-9 students from Tilley, Rolling Hills and Alcoma schools.

2018-05-239 Moved by G. Murray that for the Rural Roots Canada – Rolling Hills Ag Day on Thursday, June 14th, the District contribute:

- wi-fi support,
- water safety educational component for students (if desired), and
- up to \$2,000 funding.

Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[12:01 p.m. – 12:24 p.m. Lunch break; R. Volek entered the meeting.]

12.0 Lands

12.01 Grazing

R. Volek presented the following Grazing Report.

[12:29 p.m. R. Johnson declared a pecuniary interest and exited the meeting.]

12.01.1 Proposed PGL #7293 - Pt. SE 04 & Pt. SW 05-20-16 W4M

The proposed new Private Grazing Lease consisting of 102 acres 1 mile south of the Hwy #1 rest stop in Pt. SE 04 & Pt. SW 05-20-16 W4M was tendered earlier as a long term PGL, with standard restrictions and requirements. The minimum bid was based on the fence value of \$6,000; the annual rent would have been \$626 for 18 AUM. As no tenders were received the parcel was brought back for direction. In consideration of grass stewardship, fire prevention, fence maintenance and parcel availability if needed for District infrastructure, the following motion was approved.

- 2018-05-240 Moved by J. Culligan that Private Grazing Lease #7293, approximately 102 acres, be tendered out as:
 - an Annual Private Grazing Lease, but with no deduction from a community grazing association;
 - with the bid amount being for the annual payment, at a minimum of \$626/year; and
 - that the lessee is required to maintain all fences.

Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[12:33 p.m. R. Johnson rejoined the meeting.]

12.01.2 Annual PGL #7102 (George Murray V) and 1 Year Permit PGL #7287 (George Murray V) -

Lessee

Request to Not Renew

The lessee of PGL #7102 and #7287, George Murray V, has requested to not renew his annual and 1 year permit leases. These private grazing leases were brought to the Board for consideration of options. It was directed to offer these parcels to the Rolling Hills Community Grazing Association for use this season. If the Association is not interested, then to let the pastures rest for 2018 and to automatically tender in late winter as annual PGLs.

[12:45 p.m. R. Volek exited the meeting, S. Connauton entered.]

12.02 Assessment, Water & Lands

S. Connauton presented the Assessment, Water & Lands Report.

12.02.1 Farm Improvement Grant Applications

All new Farm Improvement Grants are subject to a reduction of \$500/acre for any corner acres or acres kept outside the pivot area; and a reduction for any previous grants received on that parcel. For any irrigation acres which are returned to the District, the EID will pay \$1,000/acre. For infill irrigation acres purchased, the capital assets charge is \$300/acre. With proof of installation, applications will be considered on a 2 year retroactive basis; with any approvals based on the grant values at the time of installation.

<u>Conversions</u> (wheels, pivot, sub-surface) The EID will pay up to \$100/irrigated acre for conversions, as per policy.

12.02.1.1 Flood to Pivot – Monfred & Valerie Haag – NE 11-16-16 W4M

- Current Assessment: 130 acres flood
- Converting: 130 acres flood to pivot; 1 acre transferred in, 1 acre needed
- New Assessment: 132 acres, all under pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-05-241 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Monfred & Valerie Haag for the conversion of 131 acres flood to pivot in NE 11-16-16 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$13,100 (131 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$300 (1 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.2 Wheels to Pivot – Monfred Haag – NE 12-16-16 W4M

- Current Assessment: 137 acres wheels
- Converting: 136 acres wheels to pivot; 1 acre transferred out
- New Assessment: 136 acres, all under pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-05-242 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Monfred & Valerie Haag for the conversion of 136 acres flood to pivot in NE 12-16-16 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$13,600 (136 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.3 Flood to Pivot – Curtis & Heather Harbinson – SE 18-19-15 W4M

- Current Assessment: 40 acres flood
- Converting: 40 acres flood to wiper pivot; 13 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 53 acres, all under wiper pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-05-243 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Curtis & Heather Harbinson for the conversion of 40 acres flood to pivot in SE 18-19-15 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$4,000 (40 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$3,900 (13 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.4 Flood to Pivot – Cody & Tanis Jensen – NW 10-21-18 W4M

- Current Assessment: 25 acres flood
- Converting: 17 acres flood to pivot; 8 acres under pivot reaching from NE 10
- Assessment remains the same at 25 acres pivot (17 main wiper pivot, 8 acres other wiper pivot)
- 17 acre wiper pivot has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-05-244 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Cody & Tanis Jensen for the conversion of 17 acres flood to pivot in NW 10-21-18 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$1,700 (17 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - **12.02.1.5** Request to Transfer Acres Joseph & Jenny Toth NW 15 & Pt. SW 15 to SW 22-17-13 The landowner is requesting to transfer 3 acres from NW 15 and 6 acres from Pt. SW 15-17-13 W4M to SW 22-17-13 W4M to supply a flood to pivot conversion.

2018-05-245 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the transfer of:

- 3 irrigation acres from NW 15-17-13 W4M, and
 - 6 irrigation acres from Pt. SW 15-17-13 W4M

to SW 22-17-13 W4M, all lands being owned by Joseph & Jenny Toth. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.6 Flood to Pivot – Joseph & Jenny Toth – NW 15 & Pt. SW 15-17-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 149 acres flood
- Converting: 138 acres flood to pivot; 9 acres transferred out; 2 acres under other pivot reaching from SW 22
- New Assessment: 140 acres pivot (138 main pivot, 2 acres under other pivot)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-05-246 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Joseph & Jenny Toth for the conversion of 138 acres flood to pivot in NW 15 & Pt. SW 15-17-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$13,800 (138 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.7 Flood to Pivot – Joseph & Jenny Toth – NW 22-17-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 110 acres flood
- Converting: 110 acres flood to wiper pivot
- Assessment remains the same at 110 acres, all under wiper pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-05-247 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Joseph & Jenny Toth for the conversion of 110 acres flood to pivot in NW 22-17-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$11,000 (110 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.8 Flood to Pivot – Joseph & Jenny Toth – SW 22-17-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 113 acres flood
- Converting: 113 acres flood to pivot; 9 acres transferred in; 15 acres needed
- New Assessment: 137 acres, all under pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-05-248 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Joseph & Jenny Toth for the conversion of 122 acres flood to pivot in SW 22-17-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$12,200 (122 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$4,500 (15 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

> <u>Cost-Shares</u> (*turnouts, crossings, drain relos, tree removal, machine levelling, gated pipe, etc.*) The EID will cost-share the project up to a maximum amount, as per policy.

12.02.1.9 Tree Removal – Douglass Agro Ltd. (Russell Douglass) – N ½ 36-23-16 W4M

The landowner is applying for a 50/50 cost-share for the removal of trees and shrubs in N $\frac{1}{2}$ 36-23-16 W4M to accommodate a new corner arm placed on a section pivot (approved irrigation development for 2018). The project is estimated to cost \$4,000 of which the EID by policy will pay 50% up to \$12,000.

2018-05-249 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Douglass Agro Ltd. (Russell Douglass) for the removal of trees and shrubs in N ½ 36-23-16 W4M, to be funded on a 50/50 cost-share basis up to \$12,000. The project is estimated to cost \$4,000; of which the Landowner's share is \$2,000. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.10 Tree Removal – Dwayne & Coralee Skretting and Skretting Cattle Co. Ltd. (Dwayne Skretting) – E 1/2 11-18-14 W4M

The landowner is applying for a 50/50 cost-share for the removal of trees and shrubs in E $\frac{1}{2}$ 11-18-14 W4M to accommodate a new corner arm and full circle of pivot for their approved irrigation development for 2018. The project is estimated to cost \$12,000 of which the EID by policy will pay 50% up to \$12,000.

2018-05-250 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Dwayne & Coralee Skretting and Skretting Cattle Co. Ltd. (Dwayne Skretting) for the removal of trees and shrubs in E ¹/₂ 11-18-14 W4M, to be funded on a 50/50 cost-share basis up to \$12,000. The project is estimated to cost \$12,000; of which the Landowner's share is \$6,000. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

<u>Upgrades</u> (panels, nozzles, drag hoses, pivots, pumps) and <u>Corner Irrigation</u> (arm, pivot, subsurface) Upon receipt, the EID will pay up to \$100/irrigated acre for upgrades, as per policy. The EID will pay up to \$700/irrigated acre for pivot or subsurface conversions on corner acres which already have assessment, as per policy.

12.02.1.11 Panel & Corner Pivot – Dennis Bjelland – SW 16 & NW 16-20-12 W4M

- Current Assessment: 124 acres
- Installing: panel and corner wiper pivot; keeping 1 acre outside of pivot
- Assessment remains the same at 124 acres (116 acres large pivot, 7 acres wiper pivot, 1 acre outside pivot)
- Pivot areas have reached their maximum grant funding
- 2018-05-251 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Dennis Bjelland for the panel upgrade quoted at \$13,187 and corner pivot in SW 16 & Pt. NW 16-20-12 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$12,400 (99 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$11,600 (116 acres x \$100/acre) + \$4,900 (7 acres x \$700/acre) less \$500 (1 acre x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$16,000. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.12 Nozzles & Pump – Duchess Enterprises Inc. (Ken Davidson) – NW 08-20-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 149 acres pivot
- Installing: nozzles & pump upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 149 acres, all under corner arm pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-05-252 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Duchess Enterprises Inc. (Ken Davidson) for the nozzles and pump upgrade in NW 08-20-13 W4M quoted at \$32,639. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$14,900 (149 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.13 Pivot Replacement & Corner Pivot – Werner & Janet Dyck – SE 20-21-16 W4M

- Previous Motion: 2017-11-397; revised application submitted
 - Assessment: 138 acres
 - Installing: pivot replacement & corner pivot; keeping 2 acres in corner
 - Assessment remains the same at 138 acres (130 large pivot, 6 wiper pivot, 2 corners)

- Pivot areas have reached their maximum grant funding
- 2018-05-253 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that motion 2017-11-397 be rescinded. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-05-254 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Werner & Janet Dyck for the pivot replacement and corner pivot quoted at \$122,962 in SE 20-21-16 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,800 (138 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$13,000 (130 acres x \$100/acre) + \$4,200 (6 acres x \$700/acre) less \$1,000 (2 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$16,200. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.14 Nozzles – Doug & Irene Gray – NE 36-19-14 W4M

- Current Assessment: 154 acres
- Installing: nozzle upgrade, keeping 2 acres in corners
- Assessment remains the same at 154 acres (152 pivot, 2 corners)
- 2018-05-255 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Doug & Irene Gray for the nozzle upgrade in NE 36-19-14 W4M quoted at \$11,100. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$15,400 (154 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$11,100 less \$1,000 (2 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$10,100. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.15 Panel & Corner Pivot – Fred & Marilyn Preston – NE 02-21-16 W4M

- Assessment: 141 acres
- Installing: panel upgrade & corner pivot; keeping 6 acres in corners
- Assessment remains the same at 141 acres (129 large pivot, 6 wiper pivot, 6 corners)
- 2018-05-256 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Fred & Marilyn Preston for the panel upgrade quoted at \$6,450 and corner pivot in NE 02-21-16 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$14,100 (141 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$6,450 + \$4,200 (6 acres x \$700/acre) less \$3,000 (6 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$7,650. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.16 Panel & Corner Pivot – Ted Enns Farms Ltd. (Ted & Mary Enns) – NW 02-21-16 W4M and Dale & Wendy Enns – SW 11-21-16 W4M

- Assessment: 158 acres (142 NW 02, 16 SW 11)
- Previous Grant: \$8,007 (motion 2005-10-222)
- Previous Deduction: 16 acres x \$200/acre
- Installing: panel upgrade & corner pivot; keeping 16 acres in corners
- Assessment remains the same at 158 acres (136 large pivot, 6 wiper pivot, 16 corners)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-05-257 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Ted Enns Farms Ltd. (Ted & Mary Enns) and Dale & Wendy Enns for the panel upgrade quoted at \$6,450 and corner pivot in NW 02 & SW 11-21-16 W4M. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowners is \$15,800 (158 acres x \$100/acre) less \$8,007 (previous grant) = \$7,793;

with the payable amount being 6,450 + 4,200 (6 acres x 700/acre) less 4,800 (16 acres x 300/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = 4,993. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.17 Nozzles – Steinbach Farms Ltd. (Josh Steinbach) – S 1/2 30-20-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 61 acres pivot (30 acres SW, 31 acres SE)
- Installing: nozzle upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 61 acres, all under pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-05-258 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Steinbach Farms Ltd. (Josh Steinbach) for the nozzle upgrade in S ½ 30-20-13 W4M quoted at \$10,590. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$6,100 (61 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[12:59 p.m. R. Johnson declared a pecuniary interest and exited the meeting.]

12.02.1.18 Nozzles – Snake Lake Land & Cattle (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) – W 1/2 08-20-17

- Current Assessment: 129 acres pivot (64 acres NW, 65 acres SW)
 - Installing: nozzle upgrade
 - Assessment remains the same at 129 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-05-259 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Snake Lake Land & Cattle (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) for the nozzle upgrade in Pt. W ½ 08-20-17 W4M quoted at \$6,494. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$12,900 (129 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$6,494. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.19 Nozzles & Panel - Snake Lake Land & Cattle (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) – NW 09-20-17 W4M

- Current Assessment: 111 acres pivot
- Installing: nozzles & panel upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 111 acres, all under pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-05-260 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Snake Lake Land & Cattle (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) for the nozzle and panel upgrade in NW 09-20-17 W4M quoted at \$27,275. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$11,100 (111 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.20 Nozzles & Pump - Snake Lake Land & Cattle (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) – Sec 10-20-17 W4M

- Current Assessment: 265 acres pivot
- Installing: nozzles & pump upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 265 acres, all under pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding

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- 2018-05-261 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Snake Lake Land & Cattle (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) for the nozzle and pump upgrade in Sec 10-20-17 W4M quoted at \$30,723. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$26,500 (265 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 12.02.1.21 Nozzles Snake Lake Land & Cattle (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) Sec 11 & W 1/2 12-20-17 W4M
 - Current Assessment: 499 acres pivot
 - Installing: nozzle upgrade; 33 additional acres needed
 - New Assessment: 532 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-05-262 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Snake Lake Land & Cattle (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) for the nozzle upgrade in Sec 11 & Pt. W ½ 12-20-17 W4M quoted at \$14,348. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$49,900 (499 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$14,348. The capital assets charge is \$9,900 (33 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.22 Nozzles & Pump - Snake Lake Land & Cattle (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) -

- S 1/2 15-20-17 W4M
- Current Assessment: 124 acres pivot
- Installing: nozzle upgrade & pivot parts; 1 acre to be transferred out
- New Assessment: 123 acres, all under pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-05-263 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Snake Lake Land & Cattle (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) for the nozzle upgrade and pivot parts in S ½ 15-20-17 W4M quoted at \$14,309. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$12,300 (123 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.23 Nozzles - Snake Lake Land & Cattle (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) – Sec 31-19-17 W4M & SE 06-20-17 W4M

- Current Assessment: 210 acres pivot
- Installing: nozzle upgrade; 15 acres to be transferred out for gen. assessment
- New Assessment: 195 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-05-264 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Snake Lake Land & Cattle (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) for the nozzle upgrade in Sec 31-19-17 W4M & SE 06-20-17 W4M quoted at \$7,817. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$19,500 (195 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$7,817. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.24 Nozzles - Snake Lake Land & Cattle (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) – Sec 32-19-17 W4M

- Current Assessment: 450 acres pivot
- Installing: nozzle upgrade; 85 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 535 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-05-265 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Snake Lake Land & Cattle (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) for the nozzle upgrade in Sec 32-19-17 W4M quoted

at \$13,573. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$45,000 (450 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$13,573. The capital assets charge is \$15,000 (50 acres x 300/acre) + \$24,500 (35 acres x 700/acre) = \$39,500. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.25 Nozzles - Snake Lake Land & Cattle (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) – Sec 33-19-17 W4M

- Current Assessment: 500 acres pivot
- Installing: nozzle upgrade; 34 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 534 acres, all under pivot

2018-05-266 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Snake Lake Land & Cattle (Rod Johnson and Greg Johnson) for the nozzle upgrade in Sec 33-19-17 W4M quoted at \$13,573. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$50,000 (500 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$13,573. The capital assets charge is \$10,200 (34 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.1.26 Panel, Pump & Corner Arm – Joe & Bertha Versteegen – Pt. SE 11-15-13 W4M

- Assessment: 73 acres pivot
- Installing: panel & pump upgrade and corner arm; transferring 2 acres out for

general assessment

- New Assessment: 71 acres, all under wiper corner arm pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-05-267 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Joe & Bertha Versteegen for the panel and pump upgrade and corner arm quoted at \$68,750 in Pt. SE 11-15-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$7,100 (71 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$6,400 (64 acres x \$100/acre) + \$4,900 (7 acres x \$700/acre) = \$11,300. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.2 Irrigable Units

- 12.02.2.1 Registration Brad Hale and Duane & Lana Hale Pt. NE 08, E ½ 17 & Sec 20-22-17 W4M The landowner's approved irrigation development for 2018 has been completed in Sec. 20-22-17 W4M. Water delivery is off the canal in NE 08-22-17 W4M, therefore the existing irrigable unit needs to be discharged and a new all encompassing one registered.
- 2018-05-268 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the discharge of an Irrigable Unit on SE 20, E 1/2 22 & Pt. NE 08-22-17 W4M, all lands being owned by Bradley Hale and Duane & Lana Hale. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-05-269 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the registration of an Irrigable Unit on Sec. 20, E 1/2 17 & Pt. NE 08-22-17 W4M, all lands being owned by Bradley Hale and Duane & Lana Hale. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[1:01 p.m. R. Johnson rejoined the meeting.]

12.02.2.2 Discharge & Registration – Randy & Margo Redelback and Stacie Cressman

The landowners of Pt. E ¹/₂ 21 & Pt. NE 16-18-14 W4M, Randy & Margo Redelback, have purchased west Pt. NE 21. This wheel field will access water from SE 21. East Pt. NE 21 remaining is owned by Stacie Cressman and does not include any irrigation acres. A discharge of the existing encompassing irrigable unit and registration of a new irrigable unit is required to include only those lands with irrigation acres.

- 2018-05-270 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the discharge of an Irrigable Unit on west Pt. NE 21, lands being owned by Stacie Cressman; and east Pt. NE 21, Pt. E 1/2 21 & Pt. NE 16-18-14 W4M, lands being owned by Randy & Margo Redelback. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-05-271 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the registration of an Irrigable Unit on west Pt. NE 21, Pt. E 1/2 21 & Pt. NE 16-18-14 W4M, all lands being owned by Randy & Margo Redelback. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.3 Term to 1st Conversion

12.02.3.1 Randy & Margo Redelback – West Pt. NE 21-18-14 W4M

The landowners have purchased west Pt. NE 21-18-14 W4M and are requesting to convert the 36 terminable acres to irrigation acres. This wheel field will connect with the 12 acre field in the same quarter and with the 29 acres in SE 21, where a delivery will be shared.

2018-05-272 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the conversion of 36 terminable acres to irrigation acres in west Pt. NE 21-18-14 W4M at \$100/acre capital assets charge = \$3,600; lands being owned by Randy & Margo Redelback. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.02.4 General Assessment – Over 20 Acres Review

The District's general assessment process requires parcels requiring more than 20 irrigation acres to be reviewed by the Board. Where acres are approved, soil classification guidelines and capital asset charges apply.

12.02.4.1 Daniel Christman – SE 26-17-13 W4M

SE 26-17-13 W4M was reviewed as an irrigation application last fall and rated above the approval mark. Soils have now been tested and pass for irrigation; 30 acres of flood are required for general assessment balancing.

2018-05-273 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve 30 infill irrigation acres in SE 26-17-13 W4M at \$300/acre capital assets charge = \$9,000; lands being owned by Daniel Christman. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[1:04 p.m. N. Fontaine entered the meeting.]

12.03 Lands, Oil & Gas

N. Fontaine presented the Lands, Oil & Gas Report.

12.03.1 Requests to Purchase Land

The first two matters were identified through the general assessment.

12.03.1.1 Keith Benson - Pt. SW 25-16-14 W4M

Approximately 6 acres of District land now lies east of the Bantry Spill drain in Pt. SW 25-16-14 W4M due to a drain relocation completed to accommodate the pivot in that section; 3 acres under pivot are currently being farmed. A request to purchase the 6 acre portion was received from the associated landowner. A discussion on land values ensued while a decision on this item was suspended to consider the following request.

12.03.1.2 Gary Krause – Pt. SW 23-14-13 W4M

Approximately 5 acres of District land are being farmed under pivot in Pt. SW 23-14-13 W4M. In total, the EID owns a 12 acre strip of old ROW along the west boundary of the quarter; the parcel is no longer needed by the District. A request to purchase these acres was received from the associated landowner. Further discussion was held regarding land values.

2018-05-274 Moved by R. Johnson that the approximate 12 acres of land adjacent to the west boundary in SW 23-14-13 W4M be sold to Gary Krause subject to the acres being consolidated into the quarter section:

- 7 dry acres at \$2,000/acre = \$14,000
- 5 irrigated acres at \$7,000/acre = \$35,000

for a subtotal of \$49,000 plus all required survey, legal, subdivision, consolidation and capital asset fees; final areas are subject to confirmation. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 12.03.1.1 Keith Benson Pt. SW 25-16-14 W4M cont'd. Discussion continued.
- 2018-05-275 Moved by B. Chrumka that the approximate 6 acres of land east of the drain in Pt. SW 25-16-14 W4M be sold to Keith Benson, subject to the acres being consolidated into the parcel:
 - 3 dry acres at \$2,000/acre = \$ 6,000
 - 3 irrigated acres at \$7,000/acre = \$21,000

for a subtotal of \$27,000 plus all required survey, legal, subdivision, consolidation and capital asset fees; final areas are subject to confirmation. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 2018-05-276 Moved by B. Chrumka that policy be drafted for the consideration of sale of small parcels of land to Water Users who have existing farming encroachments identified through the 2017 General Assessment:
 - dry acres are to be valued at \$2,000/acre;
 - irrigated acres are to be valued at \$7,000/acre;
 - land values to be reviewed annually;
 - capital assets charges apply when assessment is deficient (unless acres can be transferred in);
 - conditional to soils passing if testing is required; and
 - the purchaser is responsible for all required survey, legal, subdivision, consolidation and capital asset fees.

Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A revised Sale of District Owned Lands policy will be drafted and brought back to the Board for final approval.

12.03.1.3 County of Newell - Sec. Hwy #873

The County of Newell is requesting to purchase portions of land totaling 2.64 acres from the EID along Sec. Hwy #873 for the upgrade and paving project.

2018-05-277 Moved by B. Chrumka that the identified portions of land required for the upgrading and paving of Sec. Hwy #873, totalling approximately 2.64 acres, be sold to the County of Newell at \$2,000/acre plus all required survey, legal, subdivision and consolidation fees. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Canal and Pipeline Rehabilitation Policy rate structure will be brought back to the Board for review.

[1:45 p.m. – 1:48 p.m. Short break.]

- 2018-05-278 Moved by G. Murray that the Board resolve into the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 12.03.1.4 Kinbrook Island Provincial Park
 - 12.02 Assessment, Water & Lands cont'd.
 - 12.02.5 Irrigated Encroachment Lease Agreement Update
 - 12.02.6 Landowner Board Presentation Requests
- [2:37 p.m. S. Connauton exited the meeting; R. Gagley entered.]
- **13.0** Town of Bassano Storm Water Update

14.0 Report on Meeting with Lake Newell Resort Representatives

- [3:17 p.m. N. Fontaine exited the meeting.]
- 15.0 Water Storage Projects Fund Feasibility Analysis
 - 15.01 Snake Lake Reservoir

16.0 Staffing Update

[4:12 p.m. K. bridges, R. Gagley and W. Enns exited the meeting.]

17.0 Irrigation Acres Appeals Update

2018-05-279 Moved by J. Hale that the meeting be reconvened. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.0 Lands cont'd.

12.03.1.4 Kinbrook Island Provincial Park cont'd.

The request to purchase lands was denied. Direction was given to enter into a lease agreement with Alberta Environment & Parks for the same lands which were previously leased. The length of the agreement is to be for a maximum of 25 years and include 5-year reviews of rates and terms. Boat inspections and/or an enhanced AIS prevention program are to be one of the requirements in the agreement.

12.02 Assessment, Water & Lands cont'd.

12.02.5 Irrigated Encroachment Lease Agreement Update cont'd.

Staff were directed to proceed with standardized lease agreements for farming encroachments where the sale of land is not an option.

12.02.6 Landowner Board Presentation Requests cont'd.

A response from the Board will be forwarded to the landowners.

13.0 Town of Bassano Storm Water Update cont'd.

Direction was given to Administration for a response to the letter from McMillan law firm.

14.0 Report on Meeting with Lake Newell Resort Representatives cont'd.

Staff were directed to require lot owners at Lake Newell Resort to comply with the Lake Newell Reservoir Land Use Policy and remove non-compliant fixtures on EID ROW by June 30th. Existing concrete decks and patios will need to be handled by agreement. Only 1 beach and day use dock per HOA will be allowed; a license agreement and removal of all other beaches, docks and non-compliant developments is required. Non-compliance will result in the District removal of fixtures, with the homeowners being invoiced for the work and no allowance for HOA beaches. It was also directed that the District restore the public walking path.

15.0 Water Storage Projects Fund – Feasibility Analysis cont'd.

Presentation by Administration was received as information.

15.01 Snake Lake Reservoir cont'd.

Direction was given to Administration to guide discussions with the landowner.

16.0 Staffing Update cont'd.

Mr. Friesen updated the Board on departures, new hires and absences.

17.0 Irrigation Acres Appeals Update cont'd.

Further discussion on this legal matter was held.

18.0 Upcoming Events

- 18.01 2018 AIPA Inter-District Tour
- 18.02 Regular Board Meeting
- 18.03 Regular Board Meeting
- June 6th, 9:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m., Taber Irrigation District
- Tuesday, June 26th, 9:00 a.m.
- Tuesday, July 24th, 9:00 a.m.

R. Johnson moved adjournment of the meeting at 4:44 p.m.

Chairman

General Manager

June 26, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting

The Directors of the Eastern Irrigation District held a regular meeting on the 26th day of June, 2018. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Jason Hale	Director	[Division 1]
Mr. Jim Culligan	Director	[Division 2]
Mr. Ross Owen	Chair	[Division 3]
Mr. Rod Johnson	Director	[Division 4]
Mr. Tony Brummelhuis	Director	[Division 5]
Mr. Bob Chrumka	Vice-Chair	[Division 6]
Mr. George Murray V	Director	[Division 7]

Mr. Ivan Friesen Mr. Kevin Bridges Mrs. Wendy Enns General Manager Assistant GM – Corporate Services Executive Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 8:57 a.m.

1.0 Approval of Agenda

The following items were added to the agenda:

- 5.02.1 Mandatory Boat Inspections
- 5.03 Letter from Richard Jones, McMillan LLP, to Irrigation Council
- 5.04 Irrigation Applications for 2019
- 9.04 Reservoir Pumping Scott Tateson
- 9.05 Report on Meeting with Lake Newell Resort Representatives Update
- 10.02.3 Grazing Applications for 2019
- 11.0 Town of Bassano Storm Water Update

2018-06-280 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board adopt the Agenda as revised. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.0 Approval of Minutes

2.01 May 22, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting

The minutes were accepted as presented.

2018-06-281 Moved by J. Culligan that the Minutes of the May 22, 2018 Regular Board Meeting be approved as presented. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.0 Review of March 20, 2018 AGM Draft Minutes

The draft minutes for the 2018 Annual General Meeting were presented to Directors. No comments or requests for revisions were received. The minutes will be included in next spring's Annual Report Book and taken to the water users at the following AGM.

4.0 Reports on Meetings / Events

4.01 AIPA 2018 Inter-District Tour – June 6th, Taber Irrigation District

B. Chrumka, G. Murray and I. Friesen attended the AIPA 2018 Inter-District Tour on June 6th. This year the tour covered the Taber Irrigation District and featured the use of gabion walls to combat instream algae and a trial use of hemp straw and rock to create a denitrification process to improve water quality of an existing drain ditch. Directors further discussed the successful use of gabion walls in the EID and where this method, or chemical treatment alternative, is most advantageous.

5.0 Business Arising

5.01 Expansion Modelling Update

Mr. Friesen advised that he and E. Wilson met with Alberta Agriculture & Forestry again on June 4th to discuss the different scenarios of expansion modelling. 12 or more scenarios will be modelled, with the first phase ready for District review by mid to late July. Once no further modelling is required, this information is forwarded to Alberta Environment & Parks for their supply modelling. AE&P has indicated that there could be an 8-10 month timeframe at least after receiving the information before they could proceed with their supply modelling. They have indicated that Unitech is a contractor that they have used and are satisfied with, should the EID choose to hire out this portion of the process. Unitech has been contacted to confirm availability and the estimated cost was clarified to be significantly less than first conveyed, at \$1,000 - \$2,000 per scenario. This process, the District's method of presenting the final information to water users and matters around a subsequent plebiscite were discussed by Directors.

2018-06-282 Moved by G. Murray that motion 2018-05-233 be lifted from the table. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2018-05-233 Moved by G. Murray that, in order to accelerate the project timeline, a consultant be hired to complete Alberta Environment & Parks' portion of the expansion modelling. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, R. Johnson, G. Murray, J. Hale OPPOSED – T. Brummelhuis

Admin will meet with AA&F, AE&P and Unitech in early July to coordinate.

5.02 AIS Update

An Aquatic Invasive Species Report from Jason Thompson, Occupational Health, Safety & Environment Coordinator, summarized that Alberta Environment & Parks reps Cindy Sawchuk and Don Wehlage conducted two AIS presentations at the EID office covering Quagga and Zebra mussels, jurisdictional AIS prevention strategies and boat inspection exercises. Participants included EID managers, superintendents, RHRCG, PHD and Bassano Dam summer staff; and representatives from County Law Enforcement, Crawling Valley Campground, Lake Newell Marina and Newell Regional Services. Other organizations invited were unable to attend. AE&P will have an inspection team onsite during the registration for the annual Prairie Winds Regatta on July 13th – 15th, hosted by Newell Sailing Club, which sees boats from eastern Canada and the United States. As well, Dan Buell, Land Administrator – Habitat, Wildlife & Access, ran a Weekend Roving Information Program last year with PHD staff to visit boat launches and inform the general public of aquatic invasive mussels. This season, Bassano Dam

summer students will join the PHD summer students in this endeavour. Lastly, in addition to the Watercraft Information Checklist that is completed by all boaters accessing District reservoirs, Admin/staff will be moving forward with a boat sticker certification program to easily identify boats which have been deemed safe within District reservoirs.

5.02.1 Mandatory Boat Inspections

In addition to a discussion on current prevention measures, Directors approved the following motion.

2018-06-283 Moved by R. Johnson that the EID implement mandatory boat inspections for its reservoirs. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Admin and staff will address logistics concerning locations, watercraft prioritization, inspection schedules, staffing, etc.

[10:09 a.m. – 10:12 a.m. Short break.]

5.03 Letter from Richard Jones, McMillan LLP, to Irrigation Council

A letter from Richard Jones of McMillan LLP regarding the Eastern Irrigation District had been forwarded to Irrigation Council. A letter was returned by Irrigation Council in response.

[10:21 a.m. G. Murray declared a pecuniary interest and exited the meeting.]

Mr. Friesen was directed to speak with the District's lawyer and, subject to endorsement from him, both the letter from Richard Jones and the response letter from Irrigation Council are to be embedded in the minutes of the June 26th Regular Directors Meeting for the information of the water users.

[10:29 a.m. G. Murray rejoined the meeting.]

mcmillan

Reply to the Attention of: C. Richard Jones Direct Line: 403.531.8739 Email Address: richard.jones@mcmillan.ca Our File No.: 255529 Date: June 11, 2018

VIA EMAIL

Jennifer Nitschelm Secretary, Irrigation Council Irrigation Secretariat Room #328, 200 - 5 Avenue S Lethbridge, AB T1J 4L1

Re: Appeal File Numbers 2017-01, 2017-02, and 2017-03 Appeals against: Eastern Irrigation District <u>Appellants: Kimberley Jessie Resch, George Murray V & Kirk Dustin Prescott</u>

We are legal counsel for the Appellants.

As you are aware, the Eastern Irrigation District refused the Appellants' applications pursuant to section 96 of the *Irrigation Districts Act* to add irrigation acres for the 2018 irrigation season. In accordance with section 167(1)(b)(iv), the Appellants submitted appeals to Irrigation Council. On April 3, 2018, following a hearing, the Appeal Panel of Irrigation Council found that the EID Board of Directors had improperly taken into account the beneficial ownership of the Appellants' lands to refuse the applications and held that the appropriate remedy was to rescind the EID decisions to refuse the Appellants' application to add irrigation acres.

Section 95(2) sets out the factors that a general manager must take into account in assessing an application. The Appellants met these factors.

Following the rescission of the EID decisions, the EID Board of Directors has refused and continues to refuse to direct the manager to either amend the assessment roll to add the Appellants' irrigations acres or, under subsection 96(5)(b), give written notice to the Appellants of its decision to refuse the applications within 60 days after receipt of the applications, which we submit commenced on the April 3, 2018, being the date that the Appeal Panel rescinded the EID decisions.

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The EID Board of Directors has refused to act and, in substance, has refused to recognize the decision of the Appeal Panel. This is not in the interests of the EID's irrigators and contravenes the IDA.

Under section 51, which deals with the powers and duties of Irrigation Council, Council:

- (a) may make recommendations to the Minister respecting any matter under the Act; and
- (b) may monitor the operation and financial performance of a district.

We ask Irrigation Council to monitor the conduct of the EID and its Board of Directors and report to the Minister with a recommendation to dismiss the board of the district pursuant to section 32(1) for not complying with the *Irrigation Districts Act* and acting in a manner that prejudices the interests of the irrigators.

Irrigation Districts are important to the proper delivery and allocation of water to Alberta's farmers and ranchers. They have been mandated with a statutory duty to do so. It is incumbent upon districts to act in accordance with the Act and the best interests of water users.

Yours truly,

C. Richard Jones

Distribution List:

The Honourable Minister Oneil Carlier Agriculture and Forestry, Government of Alberta

Eastern Irrigation District Attention: Ivan Friesen, General Manager

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June 13, 2018

Jennifer Nitschelm Secretary, Irrigation Council Irrigation Secretariat 328, 200 – 5 Avenue S Lethbridge, AB T1J 4L1

Dear Madam:

RE: Appeal No.'s 2017-01, 2017-02 & 2017-03 <u>Appellants: Kimberley Jessie Resch, George Murray V & Kirk Dustin Prescott</u>

The Board of Directors of the Eastern Irrigation District have received and reviewed a copy of a letter dated June 11, 2018 which was addressed to you by Mr. Richard Jones, legal counsel for the Appellants captionally noted.

The Board of Directors ask that I correspond with you to ensure the Secretariat is made aware that the Board of Directors have instructed legal counsel to make application of the Courts for it to review the decision of Irrigation Council given the 3rd day of April, 2018.

It is anticipated that this application will be made without prolonged delay. It is further anticipated that the Court will address the issues required by the Board to assess the applications of the Appellants captionally named.

With respect to the proposed application, we seek your advice that you will be able to accept service of the Originating Notice on Irrigation Council. We look forward to receiving your confirming reply.

Sincerely,

EASTERN IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Ross Owen, Chairman Board of Directors

Agriculture and Forestry

Irrigation Secretariat

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VIA EMAIL

June 25, 2018

C. Richard Jones McMillan LLP TD Canada Trust Tower 421 7th Avenue S.W., Suite 1700 Calgary, AB T2P 4K9

Dear Mr. Jones:

Appeal Numbers 2017-01, 2017-02 and 2017-03 Re: Appellants: Kimberley Resch, George Murray V and Kirk Prescott

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 11, 2018 to Jennifer Nitschelm, Secretary, Irrigation Council.

Irrigation Council is mindful of the fact that the Board of Directors of the Eastern Irrigation District is an elected body whose responsibilities include, but are not limited to, managing and delivering water through the irrigation infrastructure of the district. While Irrigation Council can make a recommendation to the Minister that the Board of Directors of the Eastern Irrigation District be dismissed, at this time Council is not prepared to make this recommendation solely on the basis the Board has failed to date to make decisions regarding your clients' applications to add irrigation acres to the District's assessment roll.

Irrigation Council is aware that the Appellants may have other options. It may be possible for your clients to file a new appeal to Irrigation Council from the refusal or failure of the District to make the decisions, or to seek redress through the courts.

Yours truly,

IRRIGATION COUNCIL

B. B.

Brian Brewin Chair

cc: Eastern Irrigation District Ivan Friesen, General Manager

5.04 Irrigation Applications for 2019

Referencing the uncertainty of future District policy concerning the distribution of irrigation expansion acres, the following motion was put forward.

2018-06-284 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that applications for new irrigation acres and infill acres not be accepted until the Board has established clear criteria for approving such applications. Applications for conversion acres will continue to be processed. Seconded by J. Culligan.

The Board discussed the ramifications of this motion at length and noted that approved motion 2018-04-228 deals with the same topic on a less restrictive basis.

2018-06-285 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that motion 2018-06-284 be tabled. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[10:57 a.m. – 11:01 a.m. Short break.]

6.0 Financial Report

K. Bridges presented the following Financial Report.

6.01 May 31, 2018 Financial Statements

The financial statements to May 31, 2018 were reviewed, noting the following overall:

- YTD revenues total about \$31.03 million and are tracking about 14% (\$3.84 million) over YTD budget.
- YTD net operating expenses total about \$17.8 million and are tracking about 14% (\$2.95 million) under YTD budget.
- YTD potential transfer to the IWF is about \$13.23 million.

2018-06-286 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Financial Statements to May 31, 2018, as presented. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.02 K300 Financial Mortgages

Two K300 mortgages on some undeveloped land at Lake Newell Resort were last renewed in 2016 and will mature July 31, 2018. The Board gave direction to renew these mortgages with the following conditions.

2018-06-287 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board offer to renew the K300 Financial Corporation mortgages as follows:

- 2 year term, commencing on August 1, 2018 and ending July 31, 2020;
- principal payment of \$93,127.32 due July 31, 2019 and the final principal payment of \$93,127.31 due July 31, 2020;
- 11% annual interest rate, to be paid monthly;
- partial discharges permitted for Block 8 only at the rate of \$25,000 per lot plus \$1,000 per lot admin fee;
- K300 responsible for all legal fees and costs incurred by the EID in renewing the mortgages. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Upon fulfilment of this final term, these mortgages will be paid out and retired.

7.0 EIDNet Report

The new fiber is installed and active, giving EIDNet a dual feed with a total possible speed of 4 Gbps.

8.0 Operations

8.01 Reservoir Status & Water Use to Date

Reservoirs are sitting well at approximately 10,000 acre feet more than last year even though the District has been drier than the long term average and demand has generally been high. 162,000 acre feet has been diverted to date, compared to 177,000 acre feet last year, which commenced diversion 3 weeks earlier.

[11:23 a.m. R. Gagley and J. Kabut entered the meeting.]

9.0 Engineering

R. Gagley presented the following Engineering Report.

9.01 Canal & Pipeline Rehabilitation Policy

In follow up to last month, the Canal & Pipeline Rehabilitation Policy was brought to the Board with suggested land values for purchasing easement. Values for irrigated land were further revised and a wording revision in the preamble approved for clarity. Following are the approved values:

Schedule of Approved Fees						
Easement Type	Dryland Grass	Dryland Cultivation	Irrigated Land	Industrial & Residential Acreages (less than 10 acres)		
Construction Easement (working space)	\$400	\$600	\$1,400	1⁄4 Market Value		
Permanent Easement or Right-of-Way (canal)	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$7,000	Market Value		
Permanent Easement or Right-of-Way (pipeline)	\$1,350	\$2,000	\$4,700	⅔ Market Value		

2018-06-288 Moved by B. Chrumka that the revised Canal and Pipeline Rehabilitation Policy be approved as amended. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.02 **Project for Review – 09-A Springhill**

Ryan Summach's synopsis for the 09-A Springhill Canal was presented. The project is located 9 miles east of Bassano and 1 mile south of the junction of Sec. Hwy 862 and 550. The canal currently serves 336 acres but is not lined or armoured. Cattle have eroded the banks, in places there is no access due to trees and in other areas cattails grow across the entire width of the canal. The proposed rehabilitation is to install a closed gravity pipeline to serve 270 acres where landowners will be installing 2 pivots. 48 acres will be served off of 06-A Springhill and a downstream ditch will be left to supply 10 dugouts and treed areas. The project is estimated to cost \$1,040,000; to be funded under the IRP program.

2018-06-289 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the 09-A Springhill rehabilitation project by installing 4 km of closed gravity pipeline for an estimated \$1,040,000; to be funded under the IRP program. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.03 01-C Springhill Maintenance Costs

A closed gravity pipeline rehabilitation option for 01-C Springhill was approved last month. After contacting all affected landowners, feedback was entirely against a gravity replacement of the current pressurized system. Both gravity and pressurized options were brought back for reconsideration as well as data on pump station maintenance and electricity costs. A lengthy discussion was held regarding gravity systems vs pressurized systems in general, pressure surcharge rates vs actual costs, and landowner agreements, feedback and pumping startup costs.

[12:16 p.m. – 12:43 p.m. Lunch break.]

Staff were directed to draft a proposal that would offset landowner transition costs when District systems are converted from pressure to gravity and to bring this information back to the Board.

9.04 Reservoir Pumping – Scott Tateson

Scott Tateson's pumping access in Bantry #1 Reservoir was discussed again and in light of the 18 other reservoir pumping deliveries in the District. Staff were directed to discuss further options with Mr. Tateson and to bring this matter back to the Board.

[1:16 p.m. N. Fontaine entered the meeting.]

9.05 Report on Meeting with Lake Newell Resort Representatives – Update

Directors enquired as to the progress of policy compliance at Lake Newell Reservoir, where removal was required for a number of unapproved fixtures. Staff advised that most items have been removed and that Kingfisher Bay has hired the EID to remove 2 of the 3 privately constructed beaches. Staff were further directed to install signs along the ROW property line delineating District property.

[1:26 p.m. R. Gagley, J. Kabut, and N. Fontaine exited the meeting; S. Connauton entered.]

10.0 Lands

10.01 Assessment, Water & Lands

S. Connauton presented the following Assessment, Water & Lands Report.

10.01.1 Farm Improvement Policy

Revised wording for the Farm Improvement Policy was presented to the Board for review which offered improved clarity on how the Policy applies to assessed irrigation acres and terminable acres.

2018-06-290 Moved by B. Chrumka that the revised Farm Improvement Policy be approved as presented. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, R. Johnson, J. Hale, T. Brummelhuis OPPOSED – J. Culligan, G. Murray

A lengthy discussion followed regarding policy procedure, past practice, intent of the original Farm Improvement Program, and intent of the revised policy in 2017. It was consensus to leave the policy interpretation as is.

10.01.2 Farm Improvement Grant Applications

All new Farm Improvement Grants are subject to a reduction of \$500/acre for any corner acres or acres kept outside the pivot area; and a reduction for any previous grants received on that parcel. For any irrigation acres which are returned to the District, the EID will pay \$1,000/acre. For infill irrigation acres purchased, the capital assets charge is \$300/acre. With proof of installation, applications will be considered on a 2 year retroactive basis; with any approvals based on the grant values at the time of installation.

<u>Conversions</u> (wheels, pivot, sub-surface) The EID will pay up to \$100/irrigated acre for conversions, as per policy.

10.01.2.1 Flood to Pivot – Hemsing Holdings Ltd. (Jason Hemsing) – NW 31-19-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 142 acres flood
- Converting: 128 acres flood to pivot; keeping 14 acres outside of pivot
- Assessment remains the same at 142 acres (128 pivot, 14 corners)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-06-291 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Hemsing Holdings Ltd. (Jason Hemsing) for the conversion of 128 acres flood to pivot in NW 31-19-13 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$14,200 (142 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$12,800 (128 acres x \$100/acre) less \$7,000 (14 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$5,800. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

<u>Upgrades</u> (*panels, nozzles, drag hoses, pivots, pumps*) The EID will pay up to \$100/irrigated acre for conversions, as per policy.

10.01.2.2 Nozzles – Erland & Esther Christiansen – NW 07-17-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 139 acres
- Installing: nozzles upgrade; 18 acre flood field, keeping 6 acres in corner
- Assessment remains the same at 139 acres (115 pivot, 18 flood field, 6 outside pivot)
- 2018-06-292 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Erland & Esther Christiansen for the nozzle upgrade in NW 07-17-13 W4M quoted at \$6,526. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,900 (139 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$6,526 less \$3,000 (6 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$3,526. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.01.2.3 Panel – Hutterian Brethren of Lathom – Sec. 13-20-17 W4M

The Farm Improvement application for Sec. 13-20-17 W4M was not approved, but can be brought back to the Board once General Assessment requirements have been satisfied.

10.01.2.4 Panel – Hutterian Brethren of Lathom – Sec. 23-20-17 W4M

• Current Assessment: 179 acres pivot

• Installing:

panel upgrade; 6 additional acres needed 185 acres, all under pivot

- New Assessment: 185 acres, a
- 2018-06-293 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Hutterian Brethren of Lathom for the panel upgrade in Sec. 23-20-17 W4M quoted at \$4,519. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$17,900 (179 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$4,519. The capital assets charge is \$1,800 (6 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.01.2.5 Panel – Hutterian Brethren of Lathom – Pt. NW 13, Pt. NE 14, Pt. SE 23 & Pt. SW 24-20-17

- Previous Assessment: 136 acres
- Current Assessment: 146 acres pivot
- Installing: panel upgrade; 7 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 153 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-06-294 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Hutterian Brethren of Lathom for the panel upgrade in Pt. NW 13, Pt. NE 14, Pt. SE 23 & Pt. SW 24-20-17 W4M quoted at \$4,519. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,600 (136 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$4,519. The capital assets charge is \$2,100 (7 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY [rescinded by motion 2018-10-401]

10.01.2.6 Panel – Hutterian Brethren of Lathom – SW 22-19-17 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 120 acres
 - Current Assessment: 132 acres pivot
- Installing: panel upgrade; 5 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 137 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-06-295 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Hutterian Brethren of Lathom for the panel upgrade in SW 22-19-17 W4M quoted at \$4,519. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$12,000 (120 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$4,519. The capital assets charge is \$2,300 (3 acres x \$300/acre + 2 acres x \$700/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.01.2.7 Panel – Herbert Reule and Carl & Sherry Reule – NW 35-14-14 W4M

- Current Assessment: 140 acres
- Installing: panel upgrade; keeping 6 acres in corners
- Assessment remains the same at 140 acres (134 pivot, 6 corners)
- 2018-06-296 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Herbert Reule and Carl & Sherry Reule for the panel upgrade in NW 35-14-14 W4M quoted at \$9,913. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$14,000 (140 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$9,913 less \$3,000 (6 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$6,913. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.01.2.8 Panel – TwoBits5 Farms Ltd. (Ben & Laurel Nickel) – NW 33-21-16 W4M

- Current Assessment: 114 acres
- Installing: panel upgrade; 2 acres purchased through general assessment
- New Assessment: 116 acres, all under wiper pivot

- 2018-06-297 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for TwoBits5 Farms Ltd. (Ben & Laurel Nickel) for the panel upgrade in NW 33-21-16 W4M quoted at \$7,954. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$11,400 (114 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$7,954. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 10.01.2.9 Transfer Will and Rob Rommens Dairies Ltd. (Will Rommens and Rob Rommens) – NE 16 to SE 21-20-14 W4M

The Landowners are requesting to transfer 7 irrigation acres from NE 16-20-14 W4M to SE 21-20-14 W4M to accommodate a wiper corner pivot.

- 2018-06-298 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the transfer of 7 irrigation acres from NE 16-20-14 W4M to SE 21-20-14 W4M; all lands being owned by Will and Rob Rommens Dairies Ltd. (Will Rommens and Rob Rommens). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 10.01.2.10 Panel Will and Rob Rommens Dairies Ltd. (Will Rommens and Rob Rommens) – NE 16-20-14 W4M
 - Current Assessment: 138 acres pivot (7 acres transferred out, motion 2018-06-298)
 - Installing: panel upgrade; 6 acres under corner wiper pivot
 - Assessment remains the same at 138 acres (132 main pivot, 6 corner pivot)
- 2018-06-299 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Will and Rob Rommens Dairies Ltd. (Will Rommens and Rob Rommens) for the panel upgrade in NE 16-20-14 W4M quoted at \$12,170. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,800 (138 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$12,170. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 10.01.2.11 Panel Will and Rob Rommens Dairies Ltd. (Will Rommens and Rob Rommens) – SE 21-20-14 W4M
 - Current Assessment: 141 acres pivot
 - Installing: panel upgrade; 1 additional acre needed
 - New Assessment: 142 acres, all under pivot (135 main pivot, 7 acres corner pivot)
- 2018-06-300 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Will and Rob Rommens Dairies Ltd. (Will Rommens and Rob Rommens) for the panel upgrade in SE 21-20-14 W4M quoted at \$12,170. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$14,100 (141 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$12,170. The capital assets charge is \$300 (1 acre x \$300/acre). Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.01.2.12 Panel – Will and Rob Rommens Dairies Ltd. (Will Rommens and Rob Rommens)

- SW 21-20-14 W4M
- Current Assessment: 141 acres pivot
- Installing: panel upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 141 acres, all under pivot (130 main pivot, 11 acres corner pivots)
- 2018-06-301 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Will and Rob Rommens Dairies Ltd. (Will Rommens and Rob Rommens) for the panel upgrade in SW 21-20-14 W4M quoted at \$12,170. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is

14,100 (141 acres x 100/acre); with the payable amount being 12,170. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

<u>Conversions</u> (wheels, pivot, sub-surface) and <u>Upgrades</u> (panels, nozzles, drag hoses, pivots, pumps)

10.01.2.13 Transfer – Logan Hopp and Landon Hopp – SW 16-21-16 W4M to SE 32-21-16 W4M The Landowners are requesting to transfer 14 irrigation acres from SW 16-21-16 W4M to SE 32-21-16 W4M to accommodate a wiper pivot.

2018-06-302 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the transfer of 14 irrigation acres from SW 16-21-16 W4M to SE 32-21-16 W4M; all lands being owned by Logan Hopp and Landon Hopp. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.01.2.14 Panel – Logan Hopp and Landon Hopp – SW 16-21-16 W4M

- Current Assessment: 116 acres wiper pivot; (14 acres transferred out, 2018-06-302)
- Installing: panel upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 116 acres, all under wiper pivot
- 2018-06-303 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Logan Hopp and Landon Hopp for the panel upgrade in SW 16-21-16 W4M quoted at \$10,144. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowners is \$11,600 (116 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$10,144. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.01.2.15 Flood to Pivot – Logan Hopp and Landon Hopp – SE 32-21-16 W4M

- Previous Motion: 2018-02-081; revised application submitted (grant not paid out)
- Previous Assessment: 60 irrigation acres and 42 terminable (converted in 2016)
- Current Assessment: 116 acres flood; (14 acres transferred in, motion 2018-06-302)
- Converting: 74 acres flood to wiper pivot
- Assessment remains the same at 116 acres, all under wiper pivot
- 2018-06-304 Moved by R. Johnson that motion 2018-02-081 be rescinded. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-06-305 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Logan Hopp and Landon Hopp for the conversion of 74 acres flood to wiper pivot in SE 32-21-16 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowners is \$7,400 (74 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 10.01.3 Irrigable Units

10.01.3.1 Registration – Hutterian Brethren of Lathom – SW & NW 22-19-17 W4M

The Landowners' pivot in SW 22-19-17 W4M crosses into NW 22, requiring an irrigable unit to be registered for both quarters.

2018-06-306 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the registration of an Irrigable Unit on SW & NW 22-19-17 W4M, all lands being owned by the Hutterian Brethren of Lathom. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.01.3.2 Registration – Cody & Tanis Jensen – Pt. NW, Pt. NE & Pt. SE 10-21-18 W4M The Landowners' wiper pivot with delivery in Pt. NE 10-21-18 W4M reaches into both of Pt. NW and Pt. SE, requiring an irrigable unit to be registered for all part guarter sections.

2018-06-307 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the registration of an Irrigable Unit on Pt. NW, Pt. NE & Pt. SE 10-21-18 W4M, all lands being owned by Cody & Tanis Jensen. Seconded by

J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.01.3.3 Registration – W & H Neufeld Farms Ltd. (Walter & Helen Neufeld) – Pt. NW & Pt. NE 29-20-15

The Landowners' pivot with delivery in Pt. NW-29-20-15 W4M reaches into the NE, requiring an irrigable unit to be registered for both part quarter sections.

2018-06-308 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the registration of an Irrigable Unit on Pt. NW & Pt. NE 29-20-15 W4M, all lands being owned by W & H Neufeld Farms Ltd. (Walter & Helen Neufeld). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.01.4 General Assessment – Maximum Acres

The District's general assessment process identifies all parcels requiring irrigation acres additional to those that are currently assessed. Parcels requiring additional irrigation acres to reconcile the general assessment, owned by individuals/corporations who are by policy already at their maximum new irrigation acre limit, are to be reviewed by the Board.

10.01.4.1 Hutterian Brethren of Lathom – Sec. 13-20-17 W4M

Sec. 13-20-17 W4M was identified as requiring additional irrigation acres but the Landowner is already at the maximum new irrigation acre limit. In addition to the prospect of purchasing and transferring privately owned irrigation acres, or adjusting infrastructure to irrigate within assessment, the Landowner was given the following limited option to provide time to reconcile the parcel. The rate offered is as per clause 3(a) of the 2018 Rate Bylaw.

2018-06-309 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve an annual irrigation agreement for the Hutterian Brethren of Lathom:

- for 39 acres in Sec. 13-20-17 W4M to accommodate an existing corner arm,
- for up to 3 consecutive years, beginning in 2018,
- at the rate of \$50/acre for the 2018 irrigation season, and
- that the rate be reviewed annually.

Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[2:38 p.m. – 2:40 p.m. Short break. S. Connauton exited the meeting; R. Volek entered and N. Fontaine re-entered.]

10.02 Grazing

R. Volek presented the following Grazing Report.

[2:40 p.m. R. Johnson declared a pecuniary interest and exited the meeting.]

10.02.1 Private Grazing Lease #7293 – Tender Results

In follow up from redirection in May, this new Private Grazing Lease was re-tendered as an Annual Private Grazing Lease, with no deduction from Community Grazing, at a minimum of \$626/year,

with the Lessee required to maintain all fences. One bid was received and fulfills all eligibility requirements.

Annual PGL # 7293 98 acres	18 AUM Pt. SE 04 & Pt. SW 05-20-16 W4M		
Bidder	Amount	GST	Total
1717875 Alberta Inc. (Rod Johnson)	\$700.00	\$35.00	\$735.00

2018-06-310 Moved by J. Culligan that Private Grazing Lease #7293 be awarded to 1717875 Alberta Inc. (Rod Johnson). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[2:42 p.m. R. Johnson rejoined the meeting.]

10.02.2 Grazing Season Update

Due to a late, cold winter many producers had significant losses this spring, resulting in requests for reductions to the listing and the final number of cattle placed for the 2018 season was 17,375. Spring runoff for dugouts was exceptional and current grass conditions are very good. 2 new water tanks in Gem and 2 in Rolling Hills/Tilley Swingfield that were installed last fall are operational. The poly piping for the new Kinbrook water system is installed, with tanks and pump house to follow. Fireguards are being sprayed and Downy Brome sites are being identified, sprayed, hand picked and mowed. Half of the new and replacement fencing has been completed, which will total approximately 25-30 miles. A grass fire occurred in the south end of the Bassano Grazing Lease on May 27th where approximately 350 acres were burnt. It is suspected that a vehicle driving off-trail may have started the fire. Students identifying and amalgamating sites for the lease cleanup program have moved through Gem and are currently in Patricia.

The JBS effluent irrigation project has progressed well in the last couple months. The waterline was installed and pressure tested and some ground broke. It is anticipated that all pivots will be operational by July 1st.

10.02.3 Grazing Applications for 2019

Referencing the uncertainty of future District policy determining the eligibility of Community Grazing applications, the following motion was put forward.

2018-06-311 Moved by J. Culligan that the District impose a temporary ban on accepting new corporate applications for the 2019 grazing season until legal clarity is received regarding District bylaws and policies going forward. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis.

The Board discussed some consequences to the motion and a couple Directors requested to table the motion to obtain grazer feedback.

2018-06-312 Moved by R. Johnson that motion 2018-06-311 be tabled for one month. Seconded by J. Hale. DEFEATED IN FAVOUR – R. Johnson, G. Murray, J. Hale OPPOSED – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, T. Brummelhuis Vote on motion 2018-06-311:

CARRIED

IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, T. Brummelhuis OPPOSED – R. Johnson, G. Murray, J. Hale

R. Volek was directed to inform Grazing Associations of this decision.

[3:13 p.m. R. Volek exited the meeting.]

10.03 Lands, Oil & Gas

N. Fontaine presented the following Lands, Oil & Gas Report.

10.03.1 Sale of District Owned Lands Policy

In follow up to last month, the Sale of District Owned Lands Policy was brought back to the Board reflecting the approved values for sale of small parcels of land to water users who have existing farming encroachments identified through the 2017 general assessment. The following was added to the existing policy:

- "4.0 When the sale of land is being considered for a small parcel(s) to a water user who has existing farming encroachments identified through the 2017 General Assessment:
 - 4.1 the dry acres are to be valued at \$2,000/acre;
 - 4.2 the irrigated acres are to be valued at \$7,000/acre;
 - 4.3 land values and this policy are to be reviewed annually;
 - 4.4 capital assets charges apply when assessment is deficient (unless the water user can transfer acres in from another parcel);
 - 4.4.1 assessment being added to the purchase parcel is conditional to soils passing if testing is required; and
 - 4.5 the purchaser is responsible for all required survey, legal, subdivision, consolidation, soils testing and capital asset fees."

2018-06-313 Moved by R. Johnson that the revised Sale of District Owned Lands policy be approved as presented. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, J. Culligan, R. Johnson, G. Murray, J. Hale, T. Brummelhuis OPPOSED – R. Owen

10.03.2 Request to Purchase Land – Dan Sewall – Pt. NE 26-20-13 W4M

A request to purchase land to accommodate a portion of a pivot and pivot center in Pt. NE 26-20-13 W4M was received from Daniel Sewall. The District owns approximately 8 acres of ROW in NE 26; approximately 3 acres of excess ROW could be sold to eliminate the need for an annual irrigated lease agreement.

2018-06-314 Moved by R. Johnson that the approximate 3 acres of land east of the drain in Pt. NE 26-20-13 W4M be sold to Dan Sewall, subject to the acres being consolidated into the parcel:

• 3 irrigated acres at \$7,000/acre = \$21,000

for a subtotal of \$21,000 plus all required survey, legal, subdivision, consolidation and capital asset fees; final areas are subject to confirmation. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[3:23 p.m. R. Gagley re-entered the meeting.]

Moved by J. Culligan that the Board resolve into the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by 2018-06-315 B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 9.0 Engineering cont'd.
 - 9.06 **Snake Lake Reservoir**
- 11.0 **Town of Bassano Storm Water Update**
- Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the meeting be reconvened. Seconded by B. Chrumka. 2018-06-316 **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 9.0 Engineering cont'd.
 - 9.06 Snake Lake Reservoir cont'd.
- Moved by J. Hale that the District's solicitor be requested to prepare an offer to purchase for 2018-06-317 the future water storage reservoir lands identified in the administrative report, such offer to be subject to conditions including, but not limited to, satisfactory economic feasibility and geotechnical studies. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Direction was given to Administration and staff to guide preliminary testing and negotiations regarding the proposed Snake Lake Reservoir project.

11.0 Town of Bassano Storm Water Update cont'd.

Mr. Friesen updated the Board as to the current status of this matter.

12.0 **Upcoming Events**

12.03

- 12.01 Regular Board Meeting - Tuesday, July 24th, 9:00 a.m.
- Inter. Comm. on Irr. & Drainage August 13th 15th, Saskatoon, SK [attending: I. Friesen, R. Gagley] 12.02
 - Tuesday, August 28th, 9:00 a.m. Regular Board Meeting

[4:04 p.m. R. Gagley and N. Fontaine exited the meeting.]

G. Murray moved adjournment of the meeting at 4:04 p.m.

Chairman

General Manager

July 24, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting

The Directors of the Eastern Irrigation District held a regular meeting on the 24th day of July, 2018. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Jason Hale	Director	[Division 1]
Mr. Jim Culligan	Director	[Division 2]
Mr. Ross Owen	Chair	[Division 3]
Mr. Rod Johnson	Director	[Division 4]
Mr. Tony Brummelhuis	Director	[Division 5]
Mr. Bob Chrumka	Vice-Chair	[Division 6]
Mr. George Murray V	Director	[Division 7]

Mr. Ivan Friesen Mr. Kevin Bridges Mrs. Wendy Enns General Manager Assistant GM – Corporate Services Executive Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

1.0 Approval of Agenda

The following items were added to the agenda:

- 8.02 Maximum Water Delivery / Seasonal Water Transfers
- 10.0 Secondary Hwy #873
- 11.0 Irrigation Applications Tabled Motion 2018-06-284
- 12.01.1.1 Irrigable Unit Registration 1719660 Alberta Ltd. (Ben Van Dyk) S 1/2 33-18-15 W4M

2018-07-318 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board adopt the Agenda as revised. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.0 Approval of Minutes

2.01 June 26, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting

It was requested that the EID letter to Irrigation Council be added to the other letters in the minutes.

2018-07-319 Moved by J. Hale that the Minutes of the June 26, 2018 Regular Board Meeting be approved as amended. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[9:11 a.m. E. Wilson entered the meeting.]

3.0 Bassano Dam Emergency Spillway

E. Wilson displayed a number of construction pictures for the emergency spillway project and advised that the concrete slabs have all been poured. Pouring continues on wall sections, ogee weirs and the last pier, which is scheduled to all be complete in 4 weeks. The stop logs and 4 of the gates are on site and the bridge deck is poured and sitting in Red Deer. A number of questions were responded to by Mr. Wilson.

[9:28 p.m. E. Wilson exited the meeting.]

4.0 Reports on Meetings / Events

4.01 AIPA Executive Meeting

B. Chrumka attended an AIPA Executive Meeting July 3rd. A draft reservoir ranking table was developed by district managers, revised at the Executive Meeting and distributed to boards for their review prior to data input. Information regarding the proposed Snake Lake Reservoir expansion has been submitted to AIPA to be included in this determination.

5.0 Business Arising

5.01 Expansion Modelling Update

I. Friesen met with Alberta Environment & Parks, Alberta Agriculture & Forestry and Unitech on July 19th to coordinate the District's expansion modelling. A 6 week timeframe is proposed for AA&F to run the demand modelling and provide this information to Unitech to perform the supply modelling. Unitech will complete the first scenario as a test basis and obtain feedback from AE&P. And from there, the rest of the scenarios will be completed and provided to AA&F whom will require time through winter to analyze the data. It is projected that a completed report will be received by spring of 2019.

5.02 Mandatory Boat Inspections/Registrations

Mr. Friesen advised that the mandatory boat registration program is now being implemented for entrance onto District waterbodies:

- all watercraft users must complete a declaration form;
- watercraft deemed safe to enter District waterbodies will be permitted by receiving a certification sticker (stickers are intended to fast-track return users for the season);
- District campground offices will be manned throughout the day to accommodate this program;
- registrations will also be processed at the District office; and
- watercraft users on non-staffed waterbodies must also complete a form and obtain a sticker.

Furthermore:

- additional signs have been installed at District campgrounds stating that it is mandatory for all watercraft users to stop and register;
- supplementary District summer students will be required in the future;
- funding assistance may be given to help non-District campground/marina offices to be manned for more hours; and
- further discussions will be held with local law enforcement for increased surveillance and education, and authority to lay charges if necessary.

[9:46 a.m. – 9:52 a.m. Short break.]

6.0 Financial Report

K. Bridges presented the following Financial Report.

6.01 June 30, 2018 Financial Statements

The financial statements to June 30, 2018 were reviewed, noting the following overall:

- YTD revenues total about \$35.2 million and are tracking about 15% (\$4.6 million) over YTD budget.
- YTD net operating expenses total about \$20.5 million and are tracking about 12% (\$2.9 million) under YTD budget.
- YTD potential transfer to the IWF is about \$14.7 million.

A number of questions were responded to by administration.

2018-07-320 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Financial Statements to June 30, 2018, as presented. Seconded by G. Murray. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.02 3rd Quarter Investment Report – June 30, 2018

The 3rd Quarter Investment Report was presented on behalf of Nancy Lassiter, Accounting Supervisor. The book value of the District's investments plus bank account balances at June 30, 2018 was \$2,342,420 or 2.15% lower than the book value at September 30, 2017. A number of questions were responded to by administration.

Investment	Matured	Purchased
EID – Short Term	\$29,700,000	\$24,400,000
IRP – Short Term	\$3,000,000	\$7,735,000
Emergency Spillway – Short Term	\$11,980,000	\$9,200,000
EID – Long Term	-	\$3,500,000
Partners in Habitat Development	\$150,000	\$180,000

2018-07-321 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the 3rd Quarter Investment Report to June 30, 2018 as presented. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.0 EIDNet Report

There have been no major issues since the last report.

Current EIDNet Customer Accounts		
Legacy Residential Accounts	95	
Residential Accounts	1,593	
Business Accounts	27	
EID Automation	39	
Total 1,754		

[10:08 a.m. R. Gagley, J. Kabut and R. Summach entered the meeting.]

8.0 Operations

I. Friesen presented the following Operations Report.

8.01 Reservoir Status & Water Use to Date

The river has supported diversions that have supplied all irrigation allowing the major reservoirs to be maintained at the upper end of the operating range. With reservoirs full, there will be some

flexibility going into the remainder of the irrigation season to provide the necessary water even when river flows are typically at their lowest.

Over the past month, the total parcels irrigating has ranged from 235 on June 18th to 975 on July 17th and diversions have ranged from 1,000 cfs to 2,250 cfs (average is approx. 2,000 cfs for the first part of July). With the hot, dry weather water usage has been high with approximately 46 parcels having already used over 16" of water to date. Operations has been asked to remind users of their current usage and how many days they have remaining to the 24" limit.

8.02 Maximum Water Delivery / Seasonal Water Transfers

Directors discussed water usage and the possibility of transferring water within the farm link. This matter is to be brought back to August's meeting for further discussion.

9.0 Engineering

9.01 09-A Springhill Infrastructure Cost-Savings Grants

R. Summach presented Infrastructure Cost-Savings Grants for the 09-A Springhill project.

9.01.1 Clint Morasch – NE 01-21-17 W4M

Clint Morasch is proposing to convert from flood to pivot in NE 01-21-17 W4M at the time of the 09-A Springhill pipeline project. The 72 acre pivot will be fed off the new pipeline.

2018-07-322 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Infrastructure Cost-Savings Grant for Clint Morasch in NE 01-21-17 W4M, for converting from flood to pivot at the time of the 09-A Springhill pipeline project. The Infrastructure Cost-Savings Grant payable to the Landowner is \$20,000. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2 Clint Morasch – SE 12-21-17 W4M

The Landowner is also proposing to eliminate a delivery at the time of the 09-A Springhill pipeline project, allowing the pipeline to be shortened 250 m and downsized for 600 m.

- 2018-07-323 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Infrastructure Cost-Savings Grant for Clint Morasch in SE 12-21-17 W4M, for eliminating a delivery at the time of the 09-A Springhill pipeline project, enabling the pipeline to be shortened and downsized. The Infrastructure Cost-Savings Grant payable to the Landowner is \$20,000. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - **9.01.3 Endersby Cattle Company Ltd. (Dan Endersby and Brad Morishita) NW 31-20-16 W4M** Endersby Cattle Company Ltd. (Dan Endersby and Brad Morishita) is proposing to convert from flood to pivot in NW 31-20-16 W4M at the time of the 09-A Springhill pipeline project. The 122 acre pivot will be fed off the new pipeline.
- 2018-07-324 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Infrastructure Cost-Savings Grant for Endersby Cattle Company Ltd. (Dan Endersby and Brad Morishita) in NW 31-20-16 W4M, for converting from flood to pivot at the time of the 09-A Springhill pipeline project. The Infrastructure Cost-Savings Grant payable to the Landowner is \$20,000. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.02 Project for Review – 17 Bow Slope

This rehabilitation project is located 3.2 km east of Scandia and is slated for the 2018/19 construction year. The existing canal is approx. 430 m in length and seeps into the adjacent field. It is being proposed to trim, line and armour this portion of canal, for an estimated \$237,000; to be funded under the capital works program.

2018-07-325 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the 17 Bow Slope rehabilitation project by trimming, lining and armouring the existing canal for an estimated \$237,000; to be funded under the capital works program. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.03 Request to Meet with the Board – Scott Tateson

A letter was received from Scott Tateson requesting to meet with the Board in regards to his delivery points in NE & NW 18-16-12 W4M. This letter and associated documents were discussed at length, as well as related reservoir pumping scenarios. The request to meet with the Board was not granted at this time. Staff were directed to bring information back to the Board on all 19 reservoir pumping scenarios for comparison and further discussion purposes.

[11:34 a.m. – 11:40 a.m. Short break; R. Gagley, J. Kabut and R. Summach exited the meeting.]

10.0 Secondary Hwy #873

Background correspondence concerning the paving of Sec. Hwy #873 was presented to the Board. This matter is to be brought back to the August meeting for discussion.

[11:47 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Lunch break; S. Connauton entered the meeting.]

11.0 Irrigation Applications – Tabled Motion 2018-06-284

2018-07-326 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that motion 2018-06-284 be lifted from the table. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A continuance of the discussion in June regarding irrigation applications was held prior to motion 2018-07-326 being voted upon.

2018-06-284 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that applications for new irrigation acres and infill acres not be accepted until the Board has established clear criteria for approving such applications. Applications for conversion acres will continue to be processed. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED
 IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, T. Brummelhuis
 OPPOSED – R. Johnson, G. Murray, J. Hale

12.0 Lands

12.01 Assessment, Water & Lands

S. Connauton presented the Assessment, Water & Lands report.

12.01.1 Farm Improvement Grant Applications

All new Farm Improvement Grants are subject to a reduction of \$500/acre for any corner acres or acres kept outside the pivot area; and a reduction for any previous grants received on that parcel. For any irrigation acres which are returned to the District, the EID will pay \$1,000/acre. For infill irrigation acres purchased, the capital assets charge is \$300/acre. With proof of installation, applications will be considered on a 2 year retroactive basis; with any approvals based on the grant values at the time of installation.

<u>Conversions</u> (wheels, pivot, sub-surface) The EID will pay up to \$100/irrigated acre for conversions, as per policy.

- **12.01.1.1 Irrigable Unit Registration 1719660 Alberta Ltd. (Ben Van Dyk) S** ½ 33-18-15 W4M The Landowner's pivot straddles the east/west boundary in S ½ 33-18-15 W4M, requiring an irrigable unit to be registered for both parcels.
- 2018-07-327 Moved by G. Murray that the Board approve the registration of an Irrigable Unit on S ½ 33-18-15 W4M, all lands being owned by 1719660 Alberta Ltd. (Ben Van Dyk). Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.01.1.2 Wheels to Pivot – 1719660 Alberta Ltd. (Ben Van Dyk) – S 1/2 33-18-15 W4M

- Current Assessment: 61 acres wheels
- Converting: 61 acres wheels to pivot; 16 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 77 acres, all under pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-07-328 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for 1719660 Alberta Ltd. (Ben Van Dyk) for the conversion of 61 acres wheels to pivot in S ½ 33-18-15 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$6,100 (61 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$4,800 (16 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

<u>Upgrades</u> (panels, nozzles, drag hoses, pivots, pumps) and <u>Corner Irrigation</u> (arm, pivot, subsurface) The EID will pay up to \$100/irrigated acre for conversions, as per policy.

12.01.1.3 Transfer – 1144288 Alberta Ltd. (Herman Meurs) – (various)

The Landowner is requesting to transfer 5 irrigation acres from NW 02-16-16 W4M to various quarters to accommodate the General Assessment and a corner arm addition.

2018-07-329 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the transfer of 5 irrigation acres from NW 02-16-16 W4M to:

- NE 02-16-16 W4M (1 acre),
- NW 01-16-16 W4M (1 acre), and
- SW 11-16-16 W4M (3 acres);

all lands being owned by 1144288 Alberta Ltd. (Herman Meurs). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.01.1.4 Pivot w/CA - 1144288 Alberta Ltd. (Herman Meurs) – SE 11-16-16 W4M

132 acres pivot

- Current Assessment:
- Installing: pivot replacement with corner arm; 15 additional acres needed
 - New Assessment: 147 acres (132 pivot, 15 corner arm)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-07-330 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for 1144288 Alberta Ltd. (Herman Meurs) for the pivot replacement and installation of corner arm in SE 11-16-16 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$13,200 (132 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$4,500 (15 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.01.1.5 Pivot w/CA - 1144288 Alberta Ltd. (Herman Meurs) – SW 11-16-16 W4M

- Current Assessment: 140 acres pivot (3 acres transferred in, motion 2018-07-329)
- Installing: pivot replacement with corner arm; 3 acres needed, plus 6
- additional acres needed for drain consolidation
- New Assessment: 149 acres (133 pivot, 16 corner arm)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-07-331 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for 1144288 Alberta Ltd. (Herman Meurs) for the pivot replacement and installation of corner arm in SW 11-16-16 W4M. The base Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,700 (137 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$13,300 (133 acres x \$100/acre) + \$2,800 (4 acres x \$700/acre) = \$16,100. The capital assets charge is \$2,700 (9 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.01.1.6 Transfer – Folkerts Farms Ltd. (Arthur Folkerts) – (various)

The Landowner is requesting to transfer 9 irrigation acres from SW 20-17-13 W4M to other quarters to accommodate the General Assessment.

2018-07-332 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the transfer of 9 irrigation acres from SW 20-17-13 W4M to:

- NE 29-17-13 (3 acres), and
- NE 31-17-13 W4M (6 acres);

all lands being owned by Folkerts Farms Ltd. (Arthur Folkerts). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.01.1.7 Panel – Folkerts Farms Ltd. (Arthur Folkerts) – SW 20-17-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 127 acres wiper pivot (9 acres transferred out, motion 2018-07-332)
- Installing: panel upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 127 acres, all under wiper pivot
- 2018-07-333 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Folkerts Farms Ltd. (Arthur Folkerts) for the panel upgrade in SW 20-17-13 W4M quoted at \$11,276. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$12,700 (127 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$11,276. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.01.1.8 Panel – Folkerts Farms Ltd. (Arthur Folkerts) – Pt. NE 29 & Pt. SE 32-17-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 131 acres pivot (3 acres transferred in, motion 2018-07-332)
- Installing: panel upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 131 acres, all under pivot

2018-07-334 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Folkerts Farms Ltd. (Arthur Folkerts) for the panel upgrade in Pt. NE 29 & Pt. SE 32-17-13 W4M quoted at \$11,146. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,100 (131 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$11,146. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.01.1.9 Panel – Folkerts Farms Ltd. (Arthur Folkerts) – SE 30-17-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 124 acres wiper pivot
- Installing: panel upgrade; 1 additional acre needed
- New Assessment: 125 acres, all under wiper pivot
- 2018-07-335 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Folkerts Farms Ltd. (Arthur Folkerts) for the panel upgrade in SE 30-17-13 W4M quoted at \$11,146. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$12,400 (124 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$11,146. The capital assets charge is \$300 (1 acre x \$300/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 12.01.1.10 Panel Folkerts Farms Ltd. (Arthur Folkerts) SW 30-17-13 W4M
 - Current Assessment: 124 acres pivot
 - Installing: panel upgrade; 5 additional acres needed for general assessment
 - New Assessment: 129 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-07-336 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Folkerts Farms Ltd. (Arthur Folkerts) for the panel upgrade in SW 30-17-13 W4M quoted at \$11,146. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$12,400 (124 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$11,146. The capital assets charge is \$1,500 (5 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.01.1.11 Nozzles – Daniel & Margaret Loewen – SW 33-20-15 W4M

- Current Assessment: 146 acres corner arm pivot
- Installing: panel upgrade; keeping 3 acres outside of pivot
- Assessment remains the same at 146 acres (143 pivot, 3 corners)
- 2018-07-337 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Daniel & Margaret Loewen for the panel upgrade in SW 33-20-15 W4M quoted at \$10,437. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$14,600 (146 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$10,437 less \$1,500 (3 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$8,937. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.01.1.12 Panel – West Gem Ranching Ltd. (Dwayne Klassen) – Pt. E 1/2 16-21-17 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 206 acres (Pt. E 1/2 16 & Pt. SE 21-21-17 W4M)
- Current Assessment: 228 acres (71 acres south wiper pivot, 157 acres north wiper pivot)
- Previous Grant: \$2,982 (motion 2016-10-230)

- Installing: panel upgrade to south pivot
- Assessment remains the same at 228 acres (71 acres south pivot, 157 acres north pivot)
- South pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-07-338 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for West Gem Ranching Ltd. (Dwayne Klassen) for the panel upgrade in Pt. E ½ 16-21-17 W4M quoted at \$12,254. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowners is \$7,100 (71 acres x \$100/acre) less \$2,982 (previous grant) = \$4,118. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.01.1.13 Panel – West Gem Ranching Ltd. (Dwayne Klassen) – Pt. NE 16 & Pt. SE 21-21-17 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 206 acres (Pt. E 1/2 16 & Pt. SE 21-21-17 W4M)
- Current Assessment: 228 acres (71 acres south wiper pivot, 157 acres north wiper pivot)
- Previous Grant: \$5,670 (motion 2016-10-230)
- Installing: panel upgrade to north pivot
- Assessment remains the same at 228 acres (71 acres south pivot, 157 acres north pivot)
- North pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-07-339 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for West Gem Ranching Ltd. (Dwayne Klassen) for the panel upgrade in Pt. E ½ 16 & Pt. SE 21-21-17 W4M quoted at \$12,254. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowners is \$13,500 (135 acres x \$100/acre) less \$5,670 (previous grant) = \$7,830. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.01.2 Assessment Report to June 30, 2018

The Assessment Report for the period of January 1, 2018 to March 31, 2018 was presented, summarized as follows.

EID Water Roll				
Acres on the Water Roll	Irrigation Acres	Terminable Acres	Total	
April 1, 2018	297,359	4,510	301,869	
June 30, 2018	297,903	4,461	302,364	
Net increase	544	< 49 >	495	
Irrigation Acres Removed from the Water Roll (acres sold back for new subdivisions or part of Farm Improvement)			< 0 >	
Irrigation Acres Added to the Water Roll (acres purchased through Irrigation Dev. App. or Farm Improvement efficiencies)			495	
Terminable Acres Converted to Irrigation Acres			49	
Terminable Acres Canceled			0	

12.01.3 Farm Improvement Program Update

An update was given on the Farm Improvement Program since the policy change in the spring of 2017 to include grants for upgrades and corner irrigation. The figures reported are for approved applications; grants are paid out once the landowner has met all requirements (receipts submitted, soils testing passes, General Assessment reconciled, etc.) and infrastructure has been surveyed or confirmed by the District.

Farm Improvement Program			
Date	Grants Approved	Amount	
May – December 2017	131	\$1,551,598	
January – June 2018	143	\$1,720,138	
Total	274	\$3,271,736	

11.0 Irrigation Applications – Tabled Motion 2018-06-284 cont'd.

This matter was revisited and a lengthy discussion was held concerning the intent and limitations of motion 2018-06-284 and the uncertainties surrounding the issue. The following 2 motions are included for clarity, the first one being from the April Board Meeting.

- 2018-04-228 Moved by B. Chrumka that, for the 2019 irrigation application season, the District reserve the remaining 3,000 acres below cap for infill acres, to a maximum of 50 acres/parcel as per the Increases in Irrigation Acres, Criteria & Guidelines Policy. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, R. Johnson, J. Hale, T. Brummelhuis OPPOSED – G. Murray
- 2018-06-284 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that applications for new irrigation acres and infill acres not be accepted until the Board has established clear criteria for approving such applications. Applications for conversion acres will continue to be processed. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, T. Brummelhuis OPPOSED – R. Johnson, G. Murray, J. Hale
- 2018-07-340 Moved by R. Johnson that staff be allowed to process Farm Improvement applications for up to 20 new irrigation acres each, in-house, as per policy. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, J. Culligan, R. Johnson, G. Murray, J. Hale OPPOSED – R. Owen, T. Brummelhuis

In summary, as per motion 2018-06-284 (which supersedes motion 2018-04-228), and until further notice, no irrigation development applications will be accepted. These are the applications that are typically received throughout the year that do not fall under the Farm Improvement Program parameters and are dealt with in the November Board Meeting.

As per motion 2018-07-340 it is further clarified that Farm Improvement grant applications will continue to be accepted and considered, as per policy, for parcels needing no more than 20 new irrigation acres. The 20 new irrigation acres is in addition to any conversion acres that may be factored from efficiencies in the project.

Lastly, it was confirmed that the General Assessment review will continue under the original direction.

12.0 Lands cont'd.

12.01 Assessment, Water & Lands cont'd.

12.01.3 Farm Improvement Program Update cont'd.

Following up as to the grants that have been paid out or approved in the Farm Improvement Program, a motion was put forward to adhere to the budget line in the 2018 fiscal year.

2018-07-341 Moved by J. Culligan that payouts for Farm Improvement grants:

- be limited to the \$2,000,000 budgeted for the 2018 fiscal year; and
- if the limit is reached prior to the end of the fiscal year, payments of any further grant funds be delayed until after October 1, 2018; or
- if any funds of the budgeted \$2,000,000 are remaining unspent, those funds be rolled over to the next fiscal year, beginning October 1, 2108. Seconded by B. Chrumka. TABLED

2018-07-342 Moved by J. Culligan that motion 2018-07-342 be tabled to the Budget meeting. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

This discussion will be brought forward at the upcoming Budget Meeting.

12.01.4 General Assessment Update

An update regarding the General Assessment review was detailed as follows:

- 3,460 parcels were reviewed; 2,289 required no change; 1,171 parcels required changes
- 563 parcels have completed the process; 608 are in the process (under review, or waiting on paperwork, Farm Improvement grants, irrigation development or soils testing)
- 1,225 acres were added to the assessment roll; 2,515 acres are yet to be added
- 290 acres were transferred to date; potentially 1,251 acres may yet be transferred

[1:57 p.m. – 2:04 p.m. Short break; S. Connauton exited the meeting.]

13.0 Equipment

13.01 Quotes for the Purchase of Excavators

Mr. Friesen presented the quotes received for the outright purchase of one 250 and one 350 excavator. The District is no longer opting for the lease-to-purchase arrangement.

250 Excavator			
Company	Year & Make	Quote	
Wajax Equipment	2018 Hitachi ZX 250LC-5	\$329,393.50	
Brandt Tractor Ltd.	2018 Deere 250 GLC	\$337,000.00	
Finning Canada	2018 Cat 326 FL	\$347,900.00	

350 Excavator			
Company	Year & Make	Quote	
Finning Canada	2018 Cat 336 FL	\$402,000.00	
Wajax Equipment	2018 Hitachi ZX 350LC-5	\$410,531.71	
Brandt Tractor Ltd.	2018 Deere 350 GLC	\$412,850.00	

2018-07-343 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the purchase of:

- a 2018 Hitachi ZX 250LC-5 Excavator for \$329,393.50; and
- a 2018 Hitachi ZX 350LC-5 Excavator for \$410,531.71

from Wajax Equipment, Calgary. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

14.0 Set Budget Meeting Date

A Special Board Meeting to discuss the proposed 2019 Budget was set for Tuesday, September 18th, 8:00 a.m.

2018-007-344 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board resolve into the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[2:17 p.m. R. Gagley and J. Kabut entered the meeting.]

9.0 Engineering cont'd.

- 9.04 Snake Lake Reservoir
- 9.05 01-C Springhill Maintenance Costs
- 15.0 Town of Bassano Storm Water Update
- 2018-07-345 Moved by G. Murray that the meeting be reconvened. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.0 Engineering cont'd.

9.04 Snake Lake Reservoir cont'd.

Specified information is to be brought back to the Board, if possible before mid-September. Further direction was given from Admin to Staff.

9.05 01-C Springhill Maintenance Costs cont'd.

Staff were directed to hold a meeting with all affected irrigation landowners on the 01-C Springhill project, and were advised on presentation numbers.

15.0 Town of Bassano Storm Water Update cont'd.

Admin was given direction on attempting to handle this matter in a collaborative manner. A meeting for all parties involved has been tentatively offered for the second week in August.

16.0 Upcoming Events

- 16.01 International Commission on Irrigation & Drainage
- 16.02 Regular Board Meeting
- 16.03 Budget Meeting
- 16.04 Regular Board Meeting
- 16.05 AIPA Directors Meeting

J. Hale moved adjournment of the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

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Chairman

- August 13th – 15th, Saskatoon, SK [attending: I. Friesen, R. Gagley, E. Wilson] - August 28th, 9:00 a.m.

- Tuesday, September 18th, 8:00 a.m.
- Tuesday, September 25th, 9:00 a.m.
- Thursday, September 27th, location TBA

General Manager

August 28, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting

The Directors of the Eastern Irrigation District held a regular meeting on the 28th day of August, 2018.

Mr. Jason Hale	Director	[Division 1]	Mr. Ivan Friesen	General Manager
Mr. Jim Culligan	Director	[Division 2]	Mr. Kevin Bridges	Assistant GM – Corporate Services
Mr. Ross Owen	Chair	[Division 3]	Mrs. Wendy Enns	Executive Assistant
Mr. Rod Johnson	Director	[Division 4]		
Mr. Tony Brummelhuis	Director	[Division 5]		
Mr. Bob Chrumka	Vice-Chair	[Division 6]		
Mr. George Murray V	Director	[Division 7] [10	0:30 — 10:32 a.m.]	

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, R. Johnson, J. Hale, T. Brummelhuis and I. Friesen were in attendance.

2018-08-346 Moved by J. Hale that the Board resolve into the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. In-Camera

2018-08-347 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the meeting be reconvened. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[10:30 a.m. G. Murray V, K. Bridges and W. Enns joined the meeting.]

1.0 Approval of Agenda

The following items were added to the agenda:

- 8.03 AIPA Irrigation District Water Quality Data Tool
- 10.01.1 Farm Improvement Grant Applications Budget Discussion
- 10.02.3 Offer from MCF to have Portion of JBS Lease Land Grazed
- 9.04 Reservoir Pumping
- 2.0 Letter of Resignation from George Murray V Division 7

[10:32 a.m. G. Murray V presented a letter of resignation to the Board and exited the meeting.]

2018-08-348 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board adopt the Agenda as revised. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.0 Letter of Resignation from George Murray V – Division 7

The letter of resignation from George Murray V was read and the options available to the District for dealing with a Director vacancy of these circumstances were identified. Part 2, Section 31(4) of the *Irrigation Districts Act* allows for a Board to either hold a by-election, in which case an appointment can be made in the interim; appoint a person; or leave the seat vacant until the next election for that division. This matter will be brought back to the September Board Meeting for a decision on the Director seat for Division 7 – Rolling Hills.

3.0 Approval of Minutes

- **3.01** July 24, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting The minutes were accepted as presented.
- 2018-08-349 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Minutes of the July 24, 2018 Regular Board Meeting be approved as presented. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.0 **Reports on Meetings / Events**

4.01 International Commission on Irrigation & Drainage - August 13th – 15th, Saskatoon, SK I. Friesen and E. Wilson attended the ICID conference in Saskatoon in mid-August. The conference theme was "Innovative and Sustainable Agri-water Management – Adapting to a Variable and Changing Climate", and had sub-themes of "Competing Water Demands", "Resilient Agriculture – Adapting Agriculture to Climate Change", and "Irrigation and Drainage in Perspective". Many countries from around the world were represented and although differences are inevitable, the same issues of the value of water, requirements for water efficiencies to meet growing demands, flood and drought resiliency, etc. were heard.

5.0 Business Arising

There were no matters raised.

6.0 Financial Report

K. Bridges presented the following Financial Report.

6.01 July 31, 2018 Financial Statements

The financial statements to July 31, 2018 were reviewed, noting the following overall:

- YTD revenues total about \$38.6 million and are tracking about 14% (\$4.6 million) over YTD budget.
- YTD net operating expenses total about \$23.5 million and are tracking about 9% (\$2.5 million) under YTD budget.
- YTD potential transfer to the Irrigation Works Reserve Fund is about \$15.1 million. A number of questions were responded to by administration.

2018-08-350 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Financial Statements to July 31, 2018, as presented. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 6.02 **3rd Quarter Accounts Receivable Report June 30, 2018** A variety of accounts were detailed.
- 2018-08-351 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the 3rd Quarter Accounts Receivable Report to June 30, 2018 as presented. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.03 Setting the Interest Rate Applicable to Financing Agreements

The interest rate applicable to financing agreements for capital assets charges and capital construction charges is reviewed annually in August, in preparation for the new construction season. A range of lending rates through some financial institutions and indications on the forecasted prime rate were provided.

2018-08-352 Moved by B. Chrumka that the interest rate applicable to Capital Assets Charge and Financing Agreements and to Capital Construction Charge and Financing Agreements be set at 7.0% per annum during the first 5 years of the term, and at 7.0% effective the first day of the sixth year of the term and for the balance of the term of the loan. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.0 EIDNet Report

There have been no major issues since the last report.

8.0 Operations

I. Friesen presented the following Operations Report.

8.01 Reservoir Status & Water Use to Date

Reservoirs are in good shape for this time of year and a typical drawdown to winter levels going into fall is predicted. Over the past month, total parcels irrigating has ranged from 365 on August 21^{st} to 1,100 on July 19th and diversions have ranged from 1,180 cfs to 2,440 cfs (15 year average is approximately 1,500 – 1,600 cfs for the first part of August). The river diversion (404,000 acft – August 22^{nd}) has largely supplied all irrigation demand, with reservoirs supplementing some demand as reservoirs have started to slowly be drawn down to winter levels.

With the hot, dry weather this season, water usage has been high with over 280 parcels in the District over 18" of usage.

8.02 Set Water Shut-Down Date

A water shut down date was again recommended for the Friday of Thanksgiving weekend to allow the system to drain over the long weekend, prior to the startup of construction season. This date will also aid in drawing down Bassano Dam pool for the installation of gates in the Emergency Spillway structure.

2018-08-353 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board set the Water Shut Down date for irrigation water to be Friday, October 5, 2018. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.03 AIPA Irrigation District Water Quality Data Tool

Rather than through the government site, all irrigation water quality data will now be available on idwq.ca, which AIPA secured and will host this site through their current web host providers. Through this newly developed web-based platform, information will continue to be available to the public on water quality index scores, along with current and historical project sampling data. The Board was in consensus to the sharing of this information.

[11:26 a.m. R. Gagley and R. Summach entered the meeting.]

9.0 Engineering

9.01 11-H West Bantry

This rehabilitation project begins approx. 8 km SW of Tilley. The West Bantry canal runs 5.5 km south, and the 17 km of 11-H West Bantry laterals run SE to the South Bantry Drain, serving 4,200 acres. It is being proposed to upgrade the canal as a precaution for an emergency event (power outage) and to replace the laterals with a closed gravity pipeline, for an estimated cost of \$1,488,000 and \$10,422,000 respectively. A number of questions were responded to by staff and administration.

2018-08-354 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the 11-H West Bantry rehabilitation project by installing 17 km of closed gravity pipeline and upgrading 5 km of canal and structures for an estimated cost of \$11,910,000; to be funded under the capital works program. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[11:56 a.m. – 12:38 p.m. Lunch break; R. Gagley and R. Summach exited the meeting; S. Connauton entered.]

10.0 Lands

10.01 Assessment, Water & Lands

S. Connauton presented the following Assessment, Water & Lands Report.

10.01.1 Farm Improvement Grant Applications – Budget Discussion

A lengthy discussion was held concerning the budgeted amount for Farm Improvement grants this year, approved grants pending payouts, forthcoming number of applications and payouts, and the application process itself.

2018-08-355 Moved by J. Culligan that as grant totals for approved Farm Improvement applications exceed the 2018 budgeted amount, applications at today's meeting and further this fiscal year be deferred until 2019 budget approval. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, T. Brummelhuis OPPOSED – R. Johnson, J. Hale

Information on the total remaining possible payout for Farm Improvement grants is to be brought back to the Board for budget discussion. This month's Farm Improvement applications were deferred to the September meeting, following budget approval.

The Farm Improvement policy is to be brought back for review on the application process. In order to build efficiencies in the process and hasten completion of payment, it is being considered that the policy be revised to:

- the infrastructure being required to be in place prior to applying, or
- the amount of time being lessened for completion, ex. 90 days

New applicants (further to the ones that were to be presented this month) are to be notified that the application policy is changing.

[1:19 p.m. S. Connauton exited the meeting; R. Volek & N. Fontaine entered.]

10.02 Grazing

R. Volek presented the following Grazing Report.

10.02.1 Standing Hay Tender

The reseeding of the Kitsim pivots back to pasture this spring resulted in good germination and growth. As a result, the standing hay was advertised for sale and it was recommended to accept the bid, which entails the swathing, baling and removing of the hay by mid-end September. 10% of the bales will be weighed to calculate the final tonnage and cost.

Standing Hay – Kitsim Pivots			
Bidder	\$ per Ton	x est. 800 Ton	
Anderson Farms Ltd. (Tim Anderson)	\$81.00	\$64,800	

2018-08-356 Moved by R. Johnson that the Standing Hay Tender on the Kitsim Pivots be awarded to Anderson Farms Ltd. (Tim Anderson) for the amount of \$81.00/ton. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.02.2 Set Round-Up Date

With good spring moisture and normal showers in May and June, the District as a whole had average grass growth. In July, the summer storms generally produced more rain in the Bassano, Gem, Finnegan, Rosemary and Duchess grazing leases. An October 27th deadline was approved, but with the onus put on grazing associations to remove cattle earlier if pasture conditions warrant it.

2018-08-357 Moved by J. Culligan that cattle are to be out of community leases by end of day on Saturday, October 27, 2018. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.02.3 Offer from MCF Holdings Ltd. to have Portion of JBS Lease Land Grazed

MCF Holdings Ltd has offered to let the Duchess Grazing Association graze a portion of the JBS lease land this fall. MCF requested that the EID temporarily fence out the pivots to enable the grazing. The Board was in agreement with this offer.

10.03 Lands, Oil & Gas

N. Fontaine presented the following Lands, Oil & Gas Report.

10.03.1 Alberta Open Farm Days – Bassano Dam Tours

Alberta Open Farm Days were held the third weekend of August this year and the EID once again participated by offering tours of the Bassano Dam to the public. This year, a morning and afternoon tour was held on Saturday 18th. Of the 100 people registered, approximately two thirds were residents of the EID. Very positive feedback from the participants was received.

10.03.2 Commercial Lease Annual Rent Review – Brooks Gymnastics Club

The annual rental rate for the Brooks Gymnastics Club is required to be mutually agreed upon between the Club and the EID by November 1st. In consideration of the satisfaction of the tenants with payment, maintenance and negligible administrative time, it was recommended that there be no increase to the triple net lease consisting of \$10 + utilities share, taxes and insurance for 2019.

2018-08-358 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board offer the Brooks Gymnastics Club a 0% increase on their lease agreement for 2019, which maintains the rental rate at \$10, plus taxes, insurance and utilities share. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.03.3 Request to Purchase Land – 2113543 Alberta Ltd. (George Murray IV) – Pt. SW 30-14-12 W4M As part of the General Assessment, it was noted that a pivot in Pt. SW 30-14-12 W4M was encroaching into a 20 acre parcel of EID land, within the quarter along the eastern boundary. A letter was received from George Murray IV, a shareholder of 2113543 Alberta Ltd., requesting to purchase the property. It was directed that this request be tabled until clarity is received on other outstanding issues connected to the shareholders.

[1:45 p.m. – 1:53 p.m. Short break; R. Volek exited the meeting; R. Gagley and J. Kabut entered.]

2018-008-359 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board resolve into the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.03.4 Homes By Us

- 11.0 Lake Newell Resort Update
- 9.0 Engineering cont'd.
 - 9.02 Snake Lake Reservoir
 - 9.03 01-C Springhill Maintenance Costs
 - 9.04 Reservoir Pumping
- 12.0 Town of Bassano Storm Water Update
- 13.0 Sec. Hwy #873

2018-08-360 Moved by J. Culligan that the meeting be reconvened. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.03.4 Homes By Us cont'd.

Direction was given to guide staff discussions with the landowner.

11.0 Lake Newell Resort Update cont'd.

Staff were advised regarding the installation of permanent markers and signs for District ROW at Lake Newell Resort and in the communication with the residents.

9.0 Engineering cont'd.

9.02 Snake Lake Reservoir cont'd.

A draft response letter to the landowners was approved as revised. An additional presentation was received as information.

9.03 01-C Springhill Maintenance Costs cont'd.

Admin and staff were requested to bring back additional numbers and information for further discussion on the 01-C Springhill project.

9.04 Reservoir Pumping cont'd.

Mr. Tateson is to be informed in writing that the EID can assist him by drawing down Bantry #1 Reservoir at the end of the season so that he can improve his delivery access this winter.

12.0 Town of Bassano Storm Water Update cont'd.

Mr. Friesen updated the Board concerning the Town of Bassano Storm Water matter. Another meeting will be held in Bassano on August 29th for all parties involved.

13.0 Sec. Hwy #873 cont'd.

Board consensus was for no action regarding this matter.

[4:37 p.m. N. Fontaine, R. Gagley and J. Kabut exited the meeting.]

2.0 Letter of Resignation from George Murray V – Division 7 cont'd.

A press release will be forwarded to the local newspapers regarding Mr. Murray's resignation and that Water Users in Division 7 are encouraged to contact the Chair or any Director during this vacancy. Jason Hale will now be the AIPA Executive Committee Alternate.

14.0 Upcoming Events

- 14.01 Budget Meeting
- 14.02 Regular Board Meeting
- 14.03 AIPA Directors Meeting
- 14.04 Regular Board Meeting

- Tuesday, September 18th, 8:00 a.m.
- Tuesday, September 25th, 9:00 a.m.
- Thursday, September 27th, Taber
- Tuesday, October 23rd, 9:00 a.m.

J. Hale moved adjournment of the meeting at 4:59 p.m.

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Chairman

General Manager

September 18, 2018 Special Directors Meeting

The Directors of the Eastern Irrigation District held a special meeting on the 18th day of September, 2018. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Jason Hale	Director	[Division 1]
Mr. Jim Culligan	Director	[Division 2]
Mr. Ross Owen	Chair	[Division 3]
Mr. Rod Johnson	Director	[Division 4]
Mr. Tony Brummelhuis	Director	[Division 5]
Mr. Bob Chrumka	Vice-Chair	[Division 6]
[vacant]		[Division 7]

Mr. Ivan Friesen Mr. Kevin Bridges Mr. Ryan Gagley Mrs. Wendy Enns

General Manager Assistant GM – Corporate Services Engineering Manager Executive Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m.

1.0 Approval of Agenda

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

2018-09-361 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board adopt the Agenda as presented. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.0 2018/2019 Budget Discussion

I. Friesen presented a general overview of the proposed budget for 2018/2019, including comparisons to past years' revenues and expenses, welcoming comment and answering questions from Directors throughout the meeting.

[8:41 a.m. – 8:46 a.m. Short break; C. Getz, D. Syvret and S. Dahl entered the meeting.]

2.01 Operations & Maintenance

Chuck Getz, North Division Superintendent, Don Syvret, South Division Superintendent and Shawn Dahl, Buildings & Grounds Superintendent entered the meeting. Several items were discussed for the Operations and Maintenance departments, including capital purchases, a new Bassano Dam maintenance budget line, pressure system maintenance, a projected decrease in some externally hired work, and matters associated with fuel purchase and storage.

[9:12 a.m. C. Getz, D. Syvret and S. Dahl exited the meeting.]

[9:15 a.m. R. McLean, T. Canning and E. Palaschak entered the meeting.]

2.02 Equipment & Shop

Roger McLean, Equipment Superintendent, Tom Canning, Assistant Equipment Superintendent and Earl Palaschak, Shop Supervisor/Heavy Duty Mechanic were in attendance. Mr. Friesen advised that cost recoveries from this department are set up to result in neither a profit nor loss point of balance. Various equipment, GPS assistance, requirements for work near powerlines, and an increased budget for fuel were discussed, along with capital purchases.

[9:28 a.m. R. McLean, T. Canning and E. Palaschak exited the meeting.]

[9:30 a.m. N. Fontaine, R. Volek and S. Connauton entered the meeting.]

2.03 Lands

Nathan Fontaine – Land Supervisor, Rick Volek, Land Administrator – Grazing and Staci Connauton – Land Administrator – Assessment, Water & Lands joined the meeting. In addition to capital purchases, discussions were held on a proposed grazing waterline project, the AIS Prevention Program, pressure system revenue, oil & gas development and abandonments, projected community grazing cattle numbers and grazing rate, the Rolling Hills Reservoir Campground and bylaw officer enforcement.

[10:14 a.m. - 10:22 a.m. Short break.]

The Farm Improvement program, budget, application process and policy were also given considerable discussion.

[10:50 a.m. N. Fontaine, R. Volek and S. Connauton exited the meeting.] [10:52 a.m. M. Porter and R. Moen entered the meeting.]

2.04 IT & EIDNet

Mark Porter – Information Services Technologist and Ronan Moen – Internet Services Supervisor entered the meeting. Various capital purchases and the aerial photo cost-shared program with the County were discussed; software & data security matters were also highlighted.

Mr. Moen presented an update to the EIDNet bandwidth improvement project proposal from last year, as engineered in conjunction with AFL. The Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) has established new guidelines for minimum bandwidth to the home. The recommendation is to have 50Mb download and 10Mbps upload by 2021, with even higher loads foreseeable. In order to accomplish this target District towers are going to require more bandwidth to handle the traffic load and EIDNet is nearing capacity issues. The two development options were reviewed, one which requires tower replacements, and larger or additional backhauls; and the other which entails fiber optic lines between towers, with some backhaul links remaining in place. This re-examination presented a multiple phase construction option with correlated investment requirements. Increased bandwidth demands, improved fiber media, private and municipal new growth concepts, asset lifespan, project funding, long term savings and available grants were all evaluated. It was directed that a more detailed financial comparison of the available options with their limitations be brought back to the Board.

[12:23 p.m. M. Porter and R. Moen exited the meeting.]

2.05 Administration

Remaining items of note from the Administration department were reviewed.

Mr. Friesen encouraged Directors to contact him with any questions or comments as they further assess the full budget prior to next week's meeting.

3.0 Upcoming Events

- 3.01 Regular Board Meeting
- 3.02 AIPA Special & Directors Meeting
- 3.03 EID Ducks Unlimited
- Annual Fundraising Dinner & Auction
- 3.04 Regular Board Meeting
- 3.05 Regular Board Meeting

- Tuesday, September 25th, 9:00 a.m.
- Thursday, September 27th, 10:00 a.m., Heritage Inn, Taber
- Friday, October 5th, 6:00 p.m., Heritage Inn, Brooks
- Tuesday, October 23rd, 9:00 a.m.
- Tuesday, November 27th, 9:00 a.m.

J. Hale moved adjournment of the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

Chairman

General Manager

September 25 and October 11, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting

The Directors of the Eastern Irrigation District held a regular meeting on the 25th day of September and 11th day of October, 2018. Those in attendance on September 25th were:

Mr. Jason Hale	Director	[Division 1]
Mr. Jim Culligan	Director	[Division 2]
Mr. Ross Owen	Chair	[Division 3]
Mr. Rod Johnson	Director	[Division 4]
Mr. Tony Brummelhuis	Director	[Division 5]
Mr. Bob Chrumka	Vice-Chair	[Division 6]
[vacant]		[Division 7]

Mr. Ivan FriesenGeneral ManagerMr. Kevin BridgesAssistant GM – Corporate ServicesMrs. Wendy EnnsExecutive Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m.

1.0 Approval of Agenda

The following items were added to the agenda:

- In-Camera
- 7.01.2 EID Lands Pt. N 1/2 01-18-15 W4M and Pt. NW 06-18-14 W4M
- 8.02 Request for Drain Relocation Mark & Valerie Watson NW 26-21-16 Update

2018-09-362 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board adopt the revised Agenda as amended. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2018-09-363 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board resolve into the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[8:07 a.m. K. Bridges and W. Enns exited the meeting.]

• Board & General Manager In-Camera

[8:29 a.m. K. Bridges and W. Enns rejoined the meeting.]

4.0 Division 7 Director Vacancy

5.0 Town of Bassano Storm Water Update

[10:17 a.m. N. Fontaine entered the meeting.]

7.0 Lands

7.01 Lands – Oil & Gas and Grazing

7.01.1 Carbon Development Corporation Land Acquisition

7.01.2 EID Lands – Pt. N 1/2 01-18-15 and Pt. NW 06-18-14 W4M

11.0 Lake Newell Resort

[10:30 a.m. N. Fontaine exited the meeting.]

2018-09-364 Moved by J. Culligan that the meeting be reconvened. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.0 Business Arising

There were no matters raised.

3.0 Approval of Minutes

3.01 August 28, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting The August 28, 2018 minutes were accepted as presented.

2018-09-365 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Minutes of the August 28, 2018 Regular Board Meeting be approved as presented. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.02 September 18, 2018 Special Directors Meeting The September 18, 2018 minutes were accepted as presented.

2018-09-366 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Minutes of the September 18, 2018 Special Board Meeting be approved as presented. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.0 Division 7 Director Vacancy cont'd.

In the case of a vacancy due to a Director stepping down, Part 2, Section 31(4) of the Irrigation Districts Act allows for a Board to either hold a by-election, in which case an appointment can be made in the interim; appoint an eligible person; or leave the seat vacant until the next election for that division. The term for a Director in Division 7, as well as 2 & 4, is due to expire in March/April 2019. After consideration and consultation regarding the available options and the schedule of elections, the following motion was carried.

2018-09-367 Moved by J. Culligan that the Director seat for Division 7 – Rolling Hills be left vacant until the Spring 2019 Election. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.0 Town of Bassano Storm Water Update cont'd.

Mr. Friesen will forward a letter to the Town of Bassano confirming the District's intentions and recommendations concerning this matter.

7.0 Lands cont'd.

7.01 Lands – Oil & Gas and Grazing cont'd.

7.01.1 Carbon Development Corporation Land Acquisition

Direction was given to begin land negotiations with the Carbon Development Corporation for the right-of-way land as described.

7.01.2 EID Lands - Pt. N 1/2 01-18-15 and Pt. NW 06-18-14 W4M

Frequent motorcycle and ATV use is apparent in Pt. N $\frac{1}{2}$ 01-18-15 and Pt. NW 06-18-14 W4M. An estimate to fence the open boundaries is to be obtained, for consideration as a Private Grazing Lease. It was also requested that the possibility of a signed agreement with a moto-cross club or homeowners' association be investigated if considering recreational use of the land.

11.0 Lake Newell Resort cont'd.

The Board was in agreement to Administration's recommendations concerning EID right-of-way signs at Lake Newell Resort, shoreline and land use monitoring, and annual attendance at Block Association meetings.

6.0 2018/2019 Budget – Further Review & Questions

Directors requested additional time to review the budget. Budget approval will be brought back to the next Board Meeting.

[10:46 a.m. S. Connauton entered the meeting.]

7.0 Lands cont'd.

7.02 Assessment, Water & Lands

S. Connauton presented the following Assessment, Water & Lands report.

7.02.1 Farm Improvement Policy

In follow up to August's meeting, a revised Farm Improvement Policy was presented to Directors for review which now limits total grant approvals to not exceed the annual budgeted amount (additional applications will be deferred to the next fiscal year). Furthermore, conversion and upgrade projects must now be completed prior to grant application. It is intended that these changes will assist in budgeting and planning for the District and in a more efficient grant process.

2018-09-368 Moved by J. Culligan that the revised Farm Improvement Policy be approved as presented. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The policy is available to be read in full on the District's website.

7.02.2 Request to Transfer Irrigation Acres – 1717853 AB Inc. (Neil Johnson) – NW 03-19-14 W4M

The landowner is requesting to transfer all the irrigation acres off of NW 03-19-14 W4M to 2 other landowners; one transfer for a proposed 95 acre pivot and the other transfer for a replacement

pivot and general assessment adjustments. The originating and end point locations are all river supported and the originating parcel will now become a dry parcel.

2018-09-369 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the transfer of 125 irrigation acres from NW 03-19-14 W4M to:

- NW 10-15-15 W4M (95 acres), lands being owned by C. O. Johnson & Sons Ranches (Blaine Johnson and Warren Johnson);
- NW 20-18-16 W4M (23 acres), lands being owned by Rejo Ranches Ltd. (James Buteau); and
- NE 25-18-16 W4M (7 acres), lands being owned by Rejo Ranches Ltd. (James Buteau). Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[11:13 a.m. S. Connauton exited the meeting, R. Gagley and J. Kabut entered.]

8.0 Engineering

8.01 2018/2019 Structures Program

J. Kabut presented the 2018/2019 Structures Program consisting of 1 check/drop structure and 6 nose pieces to be replaced, and 5 gabion walls to be added to existing settling ponds. The structures are estimated at \$900,000 to be funded under the capital works program. Structure composition, lifespan and technical advancements were all discussed.

2018-09-370 Moved by B. Chrumka that the 2018/2019 Structures Program be approved, at an estimated cost of \$900,000, to be funded under the capital works program. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.02 Request for Drain Relocation – Mark & Valerie Watson – NW 26-21-16 W4M – Update

R. Gagley summarized Mark & Valerie Watson's request for a drain relocation on NW 26-21-16 W4M and associated irrigation development project. As this parcel is being converted from terminable acres to irrigation acres it does not qualify for a Farm Improvement grant for a drain relocation on the landowner's timeline. In lieu of the miscommunication and misunderstanding, District pivot crossing bridges have been offered for loan for use as drain crossings on this quarter, until the County/EID Drainage Program is in the Rosemary area and can address the issue, in approximately 3-5 years.

[11:44 a.m. R. Gagley and J. Kabut exited the meeting.]

9.0 Equipment

9.01 Sale of Used Pickups

Last year the District's used pickups were sold in fall, rather than spring, so as not to carry the equipment over the winter and incur related costs. This procedure worked well and it was again proposed to sell the trucks as outlined below. Bids were requested of the two local auction houses.

7 1/2, 3/4 and 1 ton Trucks (1998 – 2014)		
Company	Bid	
Annett Auction Services	\$46,540.00 or 5% commission	
Charlton Auction Service Ltd.	-	

2018-09-371 Moved by J. Culligan that the District sell 7 used 1/2, 3/4 and 1 ton pickups through Annett Auction Services at 5% commission. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.0 Set Date for Supplemental Board Meeting

A meeting to finish the September agenda was tentatively scheduled for next day, 7:30 a.m. [This was later changed to Thursday, October 11th, 8:00 a.m.].

11:51 a.m. B. Chrumka moved the Board recess until Wednesday, September 26th, 7:30 a.m.

Those in attendance on October 11th were:

Mr. Jason Hale	Director	[Division 1]
Mr. Jim Culligan	Director	[Division 2]
Mr. Ross Owen	Chair	[Division 3]
Mr. Rod Johnson	Director	[Division 4]
Mr. Tony Brummelhuis	Director	[Division 5]
Mr. Bob Chrumka	Vice-Chair	[Division 6]
[vacant]		[Division 7]

Mr. Ivan FriesenGeneral ManagerMr. Kevin BridgesAssistant GM – Corporate ServicesMrs. Wendy EnnsExecutive Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m.

1.0 Approval of Agenda cont'd.

The following items were added to the agenda:

- 12.0 Letter to Water Users
- 13.0 Town of Bassano Storm Water Update
- 14.0 Policy Discussion Increases in Irrigation Acres, Criteria and Guidelines
- 15.0 Sec. Hwy #873 Sale of Land to the County
- 16.0 Homes By Us

The following items were deferred to the regular October meeting:

- 6.0 2018/2019 Budget Further Review & Questions
- 6.01 EID Revenues & Expenses Historical Data
- 6.02 EIDNet Bandwidth Options
- 7.02.3 Irrigation Applications for 2018 Update/Direction
- 7.03 Request to Purchase Land Robin & Pascalle Wisse Pt. NE 23-16-16 W4M

The following items were removed from the agenda:

- 7.01.4 Reservoir Right-of-Way Pasture Lands
- 7.01.5 Request to Purchase Land 2113543 AB Ltd. (George Murray IV)
- 14.0 Reports on Meetings/Events

2018-10-372 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board adopt the Agenda for day two as revised. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 2018-10-373 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board resolve into the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 12.0 Letter to Water Users
- **13.0** Town of Bassano Storm Water Update
- [9:26 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Short break.]
- 14.0 Policy Discussion Increases in Irrigation Acres, Criteria & Guidelines
- 15.0 Sec. Hwy #873 Sale of Land to the County
- 16.0 Homes By Us

2018-10-374 Moved by J. Culligan that the meeting be reconvened. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[11:00 a.m. - 11:05 a.m. Short break.]

12.0 Letter to Water Users cont'd.

An update letter to all water users concerning correspondence and events on the Irrigation Council Appeal matter, including an affidavit filed by the Chairman, will be posted to the website and mailed out Friday 12th morning.

13.0 Town of Bassano Storm Water Update cont'd.

The Town of Bassano storm water matter was updated and a full discussion followed. A response letter to the Town of Bassano regarding the Town's storm water and the Bassano spur line was forwarded October 5th. Direction and confirmation was given on obtaining further legal advice, developing and completing municipal storm and/or wastewater conveyance agreements, discussions with other districts, municipalities and insurance carrier, and possibly forwarding a letter to the Environment and Agriculture Ministers.

14.0 Policy Discussion – Increases in Irrigation Acres, Criteria & Guidelines cont'd.

A thorough discussion was also held further to recent months' policy discussions, on particulars within the Increases in Irrigation Acres, Criteria & Guidelines policy and related matters. It was requested that legal opinion be brought back to the next meeting on certain terminology, with a draft revised policy to follow. Staff are to send letters to new applicants for irrigation acres, informing them that the policy continues to be under review.

15.0 Sec. Hwy #873 – Sale of Land to the County cont'd.

In review of earlier efforts of the County and EID in lobbying for the improvement of Sec. Hwy #873, the following motion was carried.

2018-10-375 Moved by J. Culligan that in consideration of the District's previous proposals of partnership with the County of Newell and the Provincial Government for the improvement of Sec. Hwy #873, the payment received for land purchase and temporary work space be returned to the County of Newell. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

16.0 Homes By Us

Admin gave a verbal update on negotiations with the landowner. Staff will present a written request for approval of purchase at the October 23rd meeting.

[11:09 a.m. S. Connauton entered the meeting.]

6.0 2018/2019 Budget – Further Review & Questions

To provide sufficient time required for review and discussion, Directors requested that the budget and related matters be deferred to the regular October meeting. Meanwhile, in order to not hinder any business of the District, an interim allowance was approved.

2018-10-376 Moved by B. Chrumka that, as the 2018/2019 Budget approval has yet to be approved, a \$500,000 contingency be allowed for the General Manager's discretion on proposed capital purchases, projects and grants which are of a timely nature. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.0 Lands cont'd.

7.02 Assessment, Water & Lands cont'd.

7.02.1 Farm Improvement Policy cont'd.

In addition to revisions made to the Farm Improvement Policy at the first part of the September Board Meeting to accommodate budget restrictions and a more efficient grant application process, it was requested by Directors that the banking of efficiency acres no longer be allowed. The Policy will be further revised by removing the last bullet on the last page.

2018-10-377 Moved by J. Culligan that the Farm Improvement Policy be amended to no longer allow the banking of conversion acres. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The policy is available to be read in full on the District's website.

7.02.4 Farm Improvement Grant Applications – <u>Deferred from August's Meeting</u>

All Farm Improvement Grants are subject to a reduction of \$500/acre for any corner acres or acres kept outside the pivot area; and a reduction for any previous grants received on that parcel. For any irrigation acres which are returned to the District, the EID will pay \$1,000/acre. For infill irrigation acres purchased, the capital assets charge is \$300/acre. With proof of installation, applications will be considered on a 2 year retroactive basis; with any approvals based on the grant values at the time of installation.

<u>Conversions</u> (wheels, pivot, sub-surface) and <u>Corner Irrigation</u> (corner arm, corner pivot, subsurface) The EID will pay up to \$100/irrigated acre for conversions, as per policy. The EID will pay up to \$700/irrigated acre for pivot or subsurface conversions on corner acres which already have assessment, as per policy.

7.02.4.1 Flood to Pivot – Reece & Echo Chandler – NE 19-15-15 W4M

- Current Assessment: 75 acres flood
- Converting: 53 acres flood to pivot; 17 acre separate field, keeping 5 acres
- Assessment remains the same at 75 acres (53 pivot, 17 separate field, 5 corners)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-10-378 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Reece & Echo Chandler for the conversion of 53 acres flood to pivot in NE 19-15-15 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$7,500 (75 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$5,300 (53 acres x \$100/acre) less \$2,500 (5 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$2,800. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.2 Flood to Pivot & Wheels – Highmount Farms Ltd. (Eric Dick) – SW 36-20-16 W4M (Parcel A)

- Current Assessment: 142 acres flood
- Converting: 115 acres flood to pivot; 11 acre separate wheel field, keeping 3 acres in corners, 13 acres in existing corner pivots do not qualify
- Assessment remains the same at 142 acres (115 pivot, 11 wheels, 3 corners, 13 corner pivots)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-10-379 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Highmount Farms Ltd. (Eric Dick) for the conversion of 115 acres flood to pivot in SW 36-20-16 W4M (Parcel A). The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$12,900 (129 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$11,500 (115 acres x \$100/acre) less \$1,500 (3 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$10,000. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.3 Wheels to Pivot – Ronald & Merle Howard – South Pt. SE 15-18-14 W4M

- Current Assessment: 67 acres wheels
- Converting: 30 acres wheels to wiper pivot (remaining portion extends into
 - North Pt. SE 15); 37 acres separate wheel fields
- Assessment remains the same at 67 acres (30 wiper pivot, 37 wheels)
- Wiper pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding

- 2018-10-380 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Ronald & Merle Howard for the conversion of 30 acres wheels to wiper pivot in South Pt. SE 15-18-14 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$6,700; with the payable amount being \$3,000 (30 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 7.02.4.4 Irrigable Unit Registration Ron & Merle Howard and Riley Weatherhead & Robyn Smith – South Pt. SE 15 & North Pt. SE 15-18-14 W4M

A wiper pivot with center point in the South Pt. SE 15-18-14 W4M extends into the North Pt. SE 15, requiring an irrigable unit to be registered for both parcels.

2018-10-381 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the registration of an Irrigable Unit on South Pt. SE 15-18-14 W4M, lands being owned by Ron & Merle Howard, and North Pt. SE 15-18-14 W4M, lands being owned by Riley Weatherhead & Robyn Smith. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.5 Flood to Pivot & C/A – Kelly & Colette Kalo – S 1/2 12-19-15 W4M

- Assessment: 117 acres flood
- Converting: 37 acres flood to pivot, 80 acres flood to wiper pivot & 11 acres flood to corner arm; 11 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 128 acres (37 pivot, 80 wiper pivot, 22 corner arm)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-10-382 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Kelly & Colette Kalo for the conversion of 117 acres flood to pivot and 11 acres flood to corner arm in S ½ 12-19-15 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$11,700 (117 acres x \$100/acre) + \$7,700 (11 acres x \$700/acre) = \$19,400. The capital assets charge is \$3,300 (11 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.6 HP to LP Pivot – Gerald Martin and Richard Martin – W 1/2 25, Pt. Sec. 26, Pt. SE 35-20-15

- Assessment: 367 acres high pressure pivot
- Converting: 367 acres high pressure pivot to low pressure pivot; 4 additional acres needed for general assessment
- New Assessment: 371 acres, all under wiper pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-10-383 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Gerald Martin and Richard Martin for the conversion of 367 acres high pressure pivot to low pressure pivot in W 1/2 25, Pt. Sec. 26, Pt. SE 35-20-15 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$36,700 (367 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$1,200 (4 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.7 Flood to Pivot – M & L Farms Ltd. (Mike Steinbach and Lorraine Steinbach) – NE 25 & SE 36-20-18 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 34 acres flood
- Current Assessment: 60 acres (26 acres purchased in 2001 pivot was never installed)
- Converting: 34 acres flood to pivot; 20 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 80 acres, all under wiper pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-10-384 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for M & L Farms Ltd. (Mike & Lorraine Steinbach) for the conversion of 34 acres flood to wiper pivot in NE 25 & SE 36-20-18 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$3,400 (34 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$6,000 (20 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

<u>Upgrades</u> (panels, nozzles, drag hoses, pivots, pumps) and <u>Corner Irrigation</u> (arm, pivot, subsurface) Upon receipt, the EID will pay up to \$100/irrigated acre for upgrades, as per policy. The EID will pay up to \$700/irrigated acre for pivot or subsurface conversions on corner acres which already have assessment, as per policy.

7.02.4.8 Panel & Nozzles – 1184989 AB Ltd. (Barry Fleming) – Pt. Sec. 06-17-15 & Pt. N 1/2 31-16-15

- Previous Assessment: 94 irrigation acres + terminable acres + new development acres
- Current Assessment: 319 acres pivot
- Installing: panel & nozzles upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 319 acres, all under pivot
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-10-385 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for 1184989 AB Ltd. (Barry Fleming) for the panel and nozzles upgrade in Pt. Sec. 06-17-15 W4M & Pt. N ¹/₂ 31-16-15 W4M quoted at \$37,303. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$9,400 (94 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.9 Panel – Cinsan Enterprises Ltd. (Sandy Bartman) – NE 04-20-14 W4M

- Current Assessment: 145 acres (135 pivot, 10 acres corner arm pivots)
- Installing: panel upgrade; corner arm pivots have already received grant
- Assessment remains the same at 145 acres (135 pivot, 10 corner arm pivots)
- 2018-10-386 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Cinsan Enterprises Ltd. (Sandy Bartman) for the panel upgrade in NE 04-20-14 W4M quoted at \$12,695. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,500 (135 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$12,695. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.10 Pump – Clearview Hutterian Brethren – Sec. 23-23-18 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 240 acres pivot; 9 acres purchased through general assessment
- Current Assessment: 249 acres
- Previous Grant: \$4,519 (motion 2017-06-200)
- Installing: pump upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 249 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-10-387 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Clearview Hutterian Brethren for the pump upgrade in Sec. 23-23-18 W4M quoted at \$8,798. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$24,000 (240 acres x \$100/acre) less \$4,519 (previous grant) = \$19,481; with the payable amount being \$8,798. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.11 Pump – Clearview Hutterian Brethren – Sec. 24-23-18 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 167 acres pivot; 6 acres purchased through general assessment
- Current Assessment: 173 acres
- Previous Grant: \$10,154 (motion 2017-06-201)
- Installing: pump upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 173 acres, all under pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-10-388 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Clearview Hutterian Brethren for the pump upgrade in Sec. 24-23-18 W4M quoted at \$8,798. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$16,700 (167 acres x \$100/acre) less \$10,154 (previous grant) = \$6,546. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.12 Pump – Clearview Hutterian Brethren – Sec. 25-23-18 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 228 acres pivot; 8 acres purchased through general assessment
- Current Assessment: 236 acres
- Previous Grant: \$10,154 (motion 2017-06-202)
- Installing: pump upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 236 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-10-389 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Clearview Hutterian Brethren for the pump upgrade in Sec. 25-23-18 W4M quoted at \$8,798. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$22,800 (228 acres x \$100/acre) less \$10,154 (previous grant) = \$12,646; with the payable amount being \$8,798. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.13 Panel – George Enterprises Inc. (Floyd George) – SW 15-23-16 W4M

- Current Assessment: 138 acres pivot
- Installing: panel upgrade; keeping 2 acres outside of pivot
- Assessment remains the same at 138 acres (136 pivot, 2 outside)
- 2018-10-390 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for George Enterprises Inc. (Floyd George) for the panel upgrade in SW 15-23-16 W4M quoted at \$4,077. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,800 (138 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$4,077 less \$1,000 (2 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$3,077. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.14 Panel – George Enterprises Inc. (Floyd George) – Pt. NE 21-23-16 W4M

- Current Assessment: 107 acres (101 wiper pivot, 6 outside)
- Installing: panel upgrade; keeping 6 acres outside of pivot
- Assessment remains the same at 107 acres (101 wiper pivot, 6 outside)
- 2018-10-391 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for George Enterprises Inc. (Floyd George) for the panel upgrade in Pt. NE 21-23-16 W4M quoted at \$4,077. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$10,700 (107 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$4,077 less \$3,000 (6 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$1,077. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.15 Panel – George Enterprises Inc. (Floyd George) – NW & Pt. NE 21-23-16 W4M

- Current Assessment: 143 acres (138 pivot, 5 outside)
- Installing: panel upgrade; keeping 5 acres outside of pivot in NE
- Assessment remains the same at 143 acres (138 pivot, 5 outside in NE)

2018-10-392 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for George Enterprises Inc. (Floyd George) for the panel upgrade in NW & Pt. NE 21-23-16 W4M quoted at \$4,077. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$14,300 (143 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$4,077 less \$2,500 (5 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$1,577. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.16 Panel – George Enterprises Inc. (Floyd George) – SW 22-23-16 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 103 acres (plus 17 acres purchased in 2003, 15 in 2016 & 18 for corner arm)
- Current Assessment: 153 acres corner arm pivot
- Previous Grant: \$3,365 (motion 079-04-2002)
- Installing: pivot replacement
- Assessment remains the same at 153 acres, all under pivot (135 pivot, 18 corner arm)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-10-393 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for George Enterprises Inc. (Floyd George) for the pivot replacement in SW 22-23-16 W4M quoted at \$164,044. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$10,300 (103 acres x \$100/acre) less \$3,365 (previous grant) = \$6,935. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.17 Pivot – Delbert & M. Jean Giles – NW 29-18-16 W4M

- Current Assessment: 130 acres pivot
- Installing: pivot replacement; 6 additional acres needed for general assess.
- New Assessment: 136 acres, all under pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-10-394 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Delbert & M. Jean Giles for the pivot replacement in NW 29-18-16 W4M quoted at \$80,917. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$13,000 (130 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$1,800 (6 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.18 Pump – Charles & Wynona Hansen – NW 18-19-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 148 acres corner arm pivot; 5 acres purchased through gen. assess.
 - Current Assessment: 153 acres corner arm pivot
- Installing: pump upgrade
- 2018-10-395 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Charles & Wynona Hansen for the pump upgrade in NW 18-19-13 W4M quoted at \$14,049. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$14,800 (148 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$14,049. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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7.02.4.19 Panel – Peter Hansen – NW 03-20-14 W4M

- Current Assessment: 153 acres (137 pivot, 16 outside)
- Installing: panel upgrade; keeping 16 acres in corners
- Assessment remains the same at 153 acres (137 pivot, 16 corners)
- 2018-10-396 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Peter Hansen for the panel upgrade in NW 03-20-14 W4M quoted at \$10,728. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$15,300 (153 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$10,728 less \$8,000 (16 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$2,728. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.20 Panel – Peter Hansen – SW 03-20-14 W4M

- Current Assessment: 153 acres (137 pivot, 16 outside)
- Installing: panel upgrade; keeping 16 acres in corners
- Assessment remains the same at 153 acres (137 pivot, 16 corners)
- 2018-10-397 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Peter Hansen for the panel upgrade in SW 03-20-14 W4M quoted at \$10,728. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$15,300 (153 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$10,728 less \$8,000 (16 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$2,728. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.21 Panel – Albert & Carolyn Henrickson – SE 07-20-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 139 acres (133 pivot, 6 outside)
- Installing: panel upgrade; keeping 6 acres in corners
- Assessment remains the same at 139 acres (133 pivot, 6 corners)
- 2018-10-398 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Albert & Carolyn Henrickson for the panel upgrade in SE 07-20-13 W4M quoted at \$9,268. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,900 (139 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$9,268 less \$3,000 (6 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$6,268. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.22 Panel – Murray Jorgensen – NE 11-21-17 W4M

- Current Assessment: 127 acres pivot; 5 additional acres needed for general assessment
- Installing: panel upgrade
- New Assessment: 132 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-10-399 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Murray Jorgensen for the panel upgrade in NE 11-21-17 W4M quoted at \$7,818. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$12,700 (127 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$7,818. The capital assets charge is \$1,500 (5 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.23 Panel – Hutterian Brethren of Lathom – Pt. Sec. 13-20-17 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 159 acres pivot (38 acres purchased through irrigation develop.)
- Current Assessment: 197 acres corner arm pivot; 39 acres needed for general assess.
- Installing: panel upgrade

• Assessment remains the same at 197 acres; an annual irrigation agreement was approved for the remaining 39 acres, limited to 3 years (motion 2018-06-309)

2018-10-400 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Hutterian Brethren of Lathom for the panel upgrade in Pt. Sec. 13-20-17 W4M quoted at \$4,519. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$15,900 (159 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$4,519. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.4.24 Panel & Nozzles – Hutterian Brethren of Lathom – Pt. NW 13, Pt. NE 14, Pt. SE 23 & Pt. SW 24-20-17 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 136 acres pivot (10 acres purchased through 2002 general assess.)
- Current Assessment: 146 acres pivot; 7 additional acres needed for general assessment
- Installing: panel & nozzles upgrade
- New Assessment: 153 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-10-401 Moved by R. Johnson that motion 2018-06-294 be rescinded. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-10-402 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Hutterian Brethren of Lathom for the panel and nozzles upgrade in Pt. NW 13, Pt. NE 14, Pt. SE 23 & Pt. SW 24-20-17 W4M quoted at \$10,948. The Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,600 (136 acres x \$100/acre); with the payable amount being \$10,948. The capital assets charge is \$2,100 (7 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.5 Farm Improvement Grant Applications – <u>Received Prior to Policy Direction</u>

<u>Conversions</u> (wheels, pivot, sub-surface) and <u>Corner Irrigation</u> (corner arm, corner pivot, subsurface) The EID will pay up to \$100/irrigated acre for conversions, as per policy. The EID will pay up to \$700/irrigated acre for pivot or subsurface conversions on corner acres which already have assessment, as per policy.

7.02.5.1 Corner Pivot – Nathaniel & Lenora Dyck – S 1/2 18-23-16 W4M

- Current Assessment: 19 acres
- Previous Grant/Deduction: (motion 2017-10-339)
- Converting: 2 corner pivots (\$100/acre grant previously applied for 2 acres); keeping 5 acres outside pivot areas (deduction previously applied for 19 acres)
- Assessment remains the same at 19 acres (8 acre N pivot, 6 acre SE pivot, 5 outside)
- Pivot areas have reached maximum grant funding
- 2018-10-403 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Nathaniel & Lenora Dyck for the 2 corner pivots in S ½ 18-23-16 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$8,400 (12 acres x \$700/acre) + \$1,200 (2 acres x \$600/acre) = \$9,600. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-10-404 Moved by J. Culligan that the deduction of \$500/acre applied in October 2017 for SE 18-23-16 W4M be returned to Nathaniel & Lenora Dyck for 12 acres of new efficiencies; 12 acres x \$500/acre = \$6,000. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.5.2 Irrigable Unit Registration – Cross Antler Hill Inc. (Nathaniel & Lenora Dyck) & Nathaniel & Lenora Dyck – S 1/2 18-23-16 W4M

A pivot located in SW 18-23-16 W4M reaches into the SE, requiring the registration of an irrigable unit on the S $\frac{1}{2}$.

2018-10-405 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the registration of an Irrigable Unit on Pt. SW 18-23-16 W4M, lands being owned by Cross Antler Hill Inc. (Nathaniel Dyck) and SE 18-23-16 W4M, lands being owned by Nathaniel & Lenora Dyck. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.5.3 Flood to Pivot with C/A - Don Walde - SW 09-23-16 W4M

- Current Assessment: 141 acres flood
- Converting: pivot with corner arm; 12 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 153 acres (136 pivot, 17 corner arm)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-10-406 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Don Walde for the installation of a pivot with corner arm in SW 09-23-16 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$13,600 (136 acres x \$100/acre) + \$3,500 (5 acres x \$700/acre) = \$17,100. The capital assets charge is \$3,600 (12 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

<u>Upgrades</u> (panels, nozzles, drag hoses, pivots, pumps) and <u>Corner Irrigation</u> (arm, pivot, subsurface) Upon receipt, the EID will pay up to \$100/irrigated acre for upgrades, as per policy. The EID will pay up to \$700/irrigated acre for pivot or subsurface conversions on corner acres which already have assessment, as per policy.

7.02.5.4 Panel – Bantry Seed Farms (Ray Virostek and Derek Virostek) – Pt. W 1/2 25-16-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 121 acres wiper pivot (2 acres transferred to NE 26-16-13 W4M)
 - Previous Grant: \$9,996 (motion 2016-10-229)
- Installing: panel upgrade
- New Assessment: 119 acres, all under wiper pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-10-407 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Bantry Seed Farms (Ray Virostek and Derek Virostek) for the panel upgrade in Pt. W ½ 25-16-13 W4M quoted at \$15,154. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$11,900 (119 acres x \$100/acre) less \$9,996 (previous grant) = \$1,904. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.5.5 Panel – Douglass & Roxanne Dafoe – NW 16-16-16 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 154 acres (39 acres purchased in 2008)
- Current Assessment: 193 acres wiper pivots
- Previous Grant: \$9,240 (motion 2008-09-216)
- Installing: panel upgrade in NW; 5 additional acres needed in NW for GA
- New Assessment: 198 acres, all under wiper pivots

2018-10-408 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Douglass & Roxanne Dafoe for the panel upgrade in NW 16-16-16 W4M quoted at \$1,796. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$15,400 (154 acres x \$100/acre) less \$9,240 (previous grant) = \$6,160; with the payable amount being \$1,796. The capital assets charge is \$1,500 (5 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.5.6 Panel & Corner Pivot – William (Bill) Martin – Pt. S 1/2 04-21-14 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 167 acres (8 acres purchased in 2016)
- Current Assessment: 150 acres pivot, 25 acres wiper pivot
- Previous Grant: \$1,008 (motion 2016-06-153)
- Installing: panel upgrade, and corner pivot (retroactive)
- Assessment remains the same at 175 acres, all under pivot
- 2018-10-409 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for William (Bill) Martin for the panel upgrade quoted at \$12,619 and corner pivot in Pt. S ½ 04-21-14 W4M. The base top up Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$15,000 (150 acres x \$100/acre) less \$1,008 (previous grant) = \$13,992; with the payable amount being \$12,619 + \$11,186 (17 acres x \$658/acre) = \$23,805. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.5.7 Panel – Neufeld Dyck Farms Ltd. (Ben & Samantha Dyck) – SW 28-20-15 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 133 acres (14 acres purchased in 2007)
- Current Assessment: 150 acres pivot (3 acres purchased for general assessment)
- Previous Grant: \$7,980 (motion 2007-11-288)
- Installing: panel upgrade
- Assessment remains the same at 150 acres, all under corner arm pivot
- 2018-10-410 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Neufeld Dyck Farms Ltd. (Ben & Samantha Dyck) for the panel upgrade in SW 28-20-15 W4M quoted at \$4,449. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$13,300 (133 acres x \$100/acre) less \$7,980 (previous grant) = \$5,320; with the payable amount being \$4,449. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.6 Farm Improvement Grant Applications – <u>Received after Policy Direction</u>

<u>Conversions</u> (wheels, pivot, sub-surface) and <u>Corner Irrigation</u> (corner arm, corner pivot, subsurface) The EID will pay up to \$100/irrigated acre for conversions, as per policy. The EID will pay up to \$700/irrigated acre for pivot or subsurface conversions on corner acres which already have assessment, as per policy.

7.02.6.1 Flood to Pivot - Jacob Giesbrecht – E 1/2 19-17-12 W4M

- Assessment: 54 acres flood
- Converting: 54 acres flood to wiper pivot; 52 additional acres needed
 (irrigation development application approved November 2017)
- New Assessment: 106 acres, all under wiper pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding

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- 2018-10-411 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Jacob Giesbrecht for the conversion of 54 acres flood to wiper pivot in E ½ 19-17-12 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$5,400 (54 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$11,000 (50 acres x \$300/acre plus 2 acres x \$700/ acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - **7.02.6.2 Irrigable Unit Discharge & Registration Jacob Giesbrecht Pt. Sec. 19-17-12 W4M** One delivery exists in Pt. SW 19-17-12 W4M, with a wiper pivot covering Pt. SE & Pt. NE, therefore an irrigable unit is required to be discharged from the Pt. S ¹/₂ and registered on all 3 part-quarter sections.
- 2018-10-412 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the discharge of an Irrigable Unit on Pt. SE & Pt. SW 19-17-12 W4M, all lands being owned by Jacob Giesbrecht. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-10-413 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the registration of an Irrigable Unit on Pt. SE, Pt. SW & Pt. NE 19-17-12 W4M, all lands being owned by Jacob Giesbrecht. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 7.02.6.3 Transfer of Irrigation Acres Allen & Donna Nielsen (various)

The landowner has applied for a Farm Improvement grant on NE 25-16-16 W4M; 10 acres in flood corners currently being utilized are being transferred to Pt. Sec. 36-16-16 W4M to reconcile the general assessment.

2018-10-414 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the transfer of 10 irrigation acres from NE 25-16-16 W4M, to:

- SE 36-16-16 W4M (1 acre);
- NE 36-16-16 W4M (5 acres); and
- NW 36-16-16 W4M (4 acres);

all lands being owned by Allen & Donna Nielsen. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.6.4 Flood to Pivot – Allen & Donna Nielsen – NE 25-16-16 W4M and Pt. Sec. 36-16-16 W4M

<u>NE 25-16-16 W4M</u>

- Previous Assessment: 132 acres flood; 10 acres transferred out (motion 2018-10-414)
- Current Assessment: 122 acres flood
- Previous Grant: \$10,248 (motion 2016-08-198)
- Previous Deduction: \$5,000 (10 acres x \$500/acre)
- Top up Conversion: 122 acres flood to pivot
- Assessment remains the same at 122 acres, all under pivot
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding

Pt. Sec. 36-16-16 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 207 acres pivot; 10 acres transferred in (motion 2018-10-414)
- Current Assessment: 217 acres pivot
- Converting: 10 acres flood to pivot
- Assessment remains the same at 217 acres, all under pivot

- 2018-10-415 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Allen & Donna Nielsen for the conversion of 122 acres flood to pivot in NE 25-16-16 W4M and 10 acres flood to pivot in Pt. Sec. 36-16-16 W4M. The top up Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner for NE 25 is \$12,200 (122 acres x \$100/acre) less \$10,248 (previous grant) = \$1,952. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner for Pt. Sec. 36 is \$1,000 (10 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-10-416 Moved by J. Culligan that the deduction of \$500/acre applied in August 2016 for NE 25-16-16 W4M be returned to Allen & Donna Nielsen for 10 acres of new efficiencies; 10 acres x \$500/acre = \$5,000. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.6.5 Flood to Pivot – David Wolfman and Aaron Wolfman – SE 08-22-16 W4M

- Assessment: 78 acres flood
- Converting: 54 acres flood to wiper pivot; 24 acres separate flood field
- Assessment remains the same at 78 acres (54 wiper pivot, 24 flood field)
- 2018-10-417 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for David Wolfman and Aaron Wolfman for the conversion of 54 acres flood to wiper pivot in SE 08-22-16 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$5,400 (54 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02.6.6 Pivot w C/A – Richard & Lecia Martin – SE 22-21-15 W4M

- Assessment: 102 acres wiper pivot
- Installing: replacement pivot with corner arm; 14 additional acres needed
- New Assessment: 116 acres, all under pivot (102 pivot, 14 corner arm)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-10-418 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Richard & Lecia Martin for the pivot replacement in SE 22-21-15 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$10,200 (102 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge is \$4,200 (14 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[11:52 a.m. S. Connauton exited the meeting.]

14.0 Policy Discussion – Increases in Irrigation Acres, Criteria & Guidelines cont'd.

Admin was requested that legal opinion be gained by next meeting if possible, whether the District's differentiation of "conversion acres" can be identified separately from "new" or "irrigation development acres" and clarified satisfactorily through policy.

2018-10-419 Moved by B. Chrumka that, pending legal clarity on revised policy, no further new irrigation acres shall be approved, with exception to acres granted for General Assessment reconciliation. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, J. Hale, T. Brummelhuis OPPOSED – R. Johnson [12:12 p.m. R. Gagley and R. Summach entered the meeting.]

8.0 Engineering cont'd.

8.02 11-H West Bantry Infrastructure Cost-Savings Grants

R. Summach presented the Infrastructure Cost-Savings Grants for the 11-H West Bantry rehab project.

8.02.1 Darren & Melinda Skanderup – S 1/2 03-17-13 W4M

Darren & Melinda Skanderup are proposing to convert from flood to section wiper pivot in SW & SE 03-17-13 W4M at the time of the 11-H West Bantry rehab project, for a total of 202 irrigation acres.

2018-10-420 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Infrastructure Cost-Savings Grants for Darren & Melinda Skanderup in S ½ 03-17-13 W4M, for converting from flood to pivot at the time of the 11-H West Bantry pipeline project. The grant payable to the Landowner is \$20,000 for SW 03-17-13 W4M and \$20,000 for SE 03-17-13 W4M = \$40,000. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.02.2 Dennis & Inga Petersen – E ½ 28-16-13 W4M Dennis & Inga Petersen are proposing to convert from flood to pivot in both NE and SE 28-16-13 W4M at the time of the 11-H West Bantry project, for a total of 145 and 149 irrigation acres respectively.

2018-10-421 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Infrastructure Cost-Savings Grants for Dennis & Inga Petersen in E ½ 28-16-13 W4M, for converting from flood to pivot at the time of the 11-H West Bantry pipeline project. The grant payable to the Landowner is \$20,000 for NE 28-16-13 W4M and \$20,000 for SE 28-16-13 W4M = \$40,000. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.02.3 Jill Mrakava (Martyn Meeuwsen) – NE 22-16-13 W4M The future landowner, Martyn Meeuwsen, is proposing to convert from flood to pivot in NE 22-16-13 W4M at the time of the 11-H West Bantry project, for a total of 113 irrigation acres.

- 2018-10-422 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Infrastructure Cost-Savings Grant for Martyn Meeuwsen in NE 22-16-13 W4M, for converting from flood to pivot at the time of the 11-H West Bantry pipeline project. Upon transfer of title, the grant payable to the Landowner is \$20,000. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - **8.02.4 George & Szandra Muschiol SW 27-16-13 W4M** George & Szandra Muschiol are proposing to convert from flood to pivot in SW 27-16-13 W4M at the time of the 11-H West Bantry project, for a total of 134 irrigation acres.
- 2018-10-423 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Infrastructure Cost-Savings Grant for George & Szandra Muschiol in SW 27-16-13 W4M, for converting from flood to pivot at the time of the 11-H West Bantry pipeline project. The grant payable to the Landowner is \$20,000. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[12:23 p.m. G. Gagley and R. Summach exited the meeting.]

16.0 Snake Lake Reservoir

An appraisal report was received as information.

17.0 Information from Harold Brauer

Notes from Harold Brauer concerning a decommissioned ditch in NW 13-17-17 W4M were received as information.

18.0 Financial Report

18.01 August 31, 2018 Financial Statements

The Financial Statements to August 31, 2018 were received as information.

- YTD revenues total about \$41.85 million and are tracking about 12% (\$4.5 million) over YTD budget.
- YTD net operating expenses total about \$26.4 million and are tracking about 7% (\$2.1 million) under YTD budget.
- YTD potential transfer to the Irrigation Works Fund is about \$15.45 million.

19.0 EIDNet Report

The EIDNet Report was received as information; there have been no major issues since the last report.

20.0 Operations

20.01 Reservoir Status & Water Use to Date

The Reservoir Status & Water Use to Date report was received as information. From August 15th – September 15th the total parcels irrigating has ranged from 180 on September 5th to 528 on August 16th and diversions have ranged from 405 cfs to 1,380 cfs. The river diversion to September 19th is 425,000 acre feet. Reservoirs continue to be drawn down or be held at winter levels. The October 5th water shut down date to Water Users will also be the end of this year's diversion from the river.

21.0 Buildings & Grounds

21.01 Campgrounds Update

The Campgrounds Update was also received as information. Both Rolling Hills Reservoir Campground and Crawling Valley Campground had successful seasons with near capacity campsites and minimal issues. Grounds and irrigation systems are being prepared for winter, and work on the shower house addition at CVCG will commence at the end of September.

22.0 Upcoming Events

- 22.01 AIPA Special & Directors Meeting
- 22.02 EID Ducks Unlimited
 - Annual Fundraising Dinner & Auction
- 22.03 MHC Brooks Community Dinner
- 22.04 Regular Board Meeting
- 22.05 Water and Agriculture Conference
- 22.06 Regular Board Meeting

- Thursday, September 27th, 10:00 a.m., Heritage Inn, Taber
- Friday, October 5th, 6:00 p.m., Heritage Inn, Brooks
- Tuesday, Oct 16th, 6:00 p.m., Brooks Campus Cafeteria
- Tuesday, October 23rd, 9:00 a.m.
- Thursday, November 22nd, Crossfield
- Tuesday, November 27th, 9:00 a.m.
- 22.07 Municipal / Irrigation District Roundtable [date TBD], MD of Taber Office

B. Chrumka moved adjournment of the meeting at 12:26 p.m.

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General Manager

October 23 & 30, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting

The Directors of the Eastern Irrigation District held a regular meeting on the 23rd and 30th days of October, 2018. Those in attendance on October 23rd were:

Mr. Jason Hale	Director	[Division 1]	Mr. Ivan Friesen	General Manager
Mr. Jim Culligan	Director	[Division 2]	Mr. Kevin Bridges	Assistant GM – Corporate Services
Mr. Ross Owen	Chair	[Division 3]	Mrs. Wendy Enns	Executive Assistant
Mr. Rod Johnson	Director	[Division 4] [ap	ologies]	
Mr. Tony Brummelhuis	Director	[Division 5]		
Mr. Bob Chrumka	Vice-Chair	[Division 6]		
[vacant]		[Division 7]		

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

1.0 Approval of Agenda

To accommodate an arranged phone call, item 11.0 Town of Bassano Storm Water Update was moved to the beginning of the meeting. The following item was added to the agenda:

• 3.02 Information from Harold Brauer

In consideration of the absence of Mr. Johnson, a supplementary meeting was set for Tuesday, October 30th, 9:00 a.m., with the following items being deferred to that date:

- 3.01 Policy Discussion Increases in Irrigation Acres, Criteria & Guidelines
- 3.02 Information from Harold Brauer
- 9.02.2 10 Irrigation Leases 5 Year Rate Review
- 9.03.1 Reservoir Right-of-Way Pasture Lands
- 10.01 Snake Lake Reservoir

2018-10-424 Moved by J. Hale that the Board adopt the Agenda as revised. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2018-10-425 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board resolve into the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.0 Town of Bassano Storm Water Update

[10:26 a.m. – 10:33 a.m. Short break.]

2.0 2018/2019 Budget – Further Review & Questions

2.01 EIDNet Bandwidth Options

2018-10-426 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the meeting be reconvened. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[12:25 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lunch break.]

11.0 Town of Bassano Storm Water Update cont'd.

Admin was requested to arrange an EID / County Joint Meeting to discuss the Town of Bassano Storm Water situation. Other matters of mutual interest will also be on the agenda for this annual meeting.

2.0 2018/2019 Budget – Further Review & Questions cont'd.

To reflect overall budget discussions, the 2018/2019 Budget is to be revised with an approximate 1% increase in revenues. These revisions are to be brought back for further assessment and potential budget approval on October 30th. For the 2019/2020 Budget, an approximate 1% decrease in expenses is to be planned.

2.01 EIDNet Bandwidth Options cont'd.

A full financial plan for EIDNet, correlating with bandwidth upgrade options, is to be brought back to the Board for presentation. A third-party evaluation on the upgrade options is also to be arranged.

4.0 Approval of Minutes

4.01 September 25 & October 11, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting

The Regular September Board of Directors Meeting was held over two days, September 25th and October 11th. These minutes were accepted as presented.

2018-10-427 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Minutes of the September 25 & October 11, 2018 Regular Board Meeting be approved as presented. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.0 Reports on Meetings / Events

5.01 EID Ducks Unlimited Annual Fundraising Dinner & Auction, October 5th, Brooks

T. Brummelhuis represented the Board at the EID Ducks Unlimited annual fundraising dinner and auction in Brooks on October 5th. Some staff also attended the event. Unfortunately, both attendance and fundraising were noticeably down.

5.02 MHC Board of Governors – Brooks Community Dinner – October 16th, Brooks Campus

J. Hale represented the EID at the Medicine Hat College Board of Governors – Brooks Community Dinner on October 16th. This annual dinner was an informative evening and had representation from a variety of community stakeholders.

6.0 Financial Report

K. Bridges presented the following Financial Report.

6.01 Preliminary Financial Statements – September 30, 2018

It was noted that the financial statements at this point should be viewed as preliminary and incomplete as month-end and year-end accounting work is continuing. The following was noted overall:

- YTD revenues total about \$42.38 million and are tracking about 4% (\$1.6 million) over YTD budget.
- YTD net operating expenses total about \$28.63 million and are tracking about 8% (\$2.5 million) under YTD budget.
- YTD potential transfer to the Irrigation Works Fund is about \$13.75 million.

2018-10-428 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Preliminary Financial Statements to September 30, 2018, as presented. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.02 4th Quarter Investment Report – September 30, 2018

The book value of the District's investments plus bank account balances at September 30, 2018 was \$634,176 or 0.58% higher than the book value at September 30, 2017.

Investment	Matured	Purchased
EID – Short Term	\$24,520,000	\$25,650,000
IRP – Short Term	\$6,135,000	\$6,000,000
Emergency Spillway – Short Term	\$10,250,000	\$11,900,000
EID – Long Term	-	-
Partners in Habitat Development	\$180,000	\$170,000

- 2018-10-429 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the 4th Quarter Investment Report to September 30, 2018 as presented. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - **6.03 4th Quarter Accounts Receivable Report September 30, 2018** A variety of accounts were detailed and questions answered.
- 2018-10-430 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the 4th Quarter Accounts Receivable Report to September 30, 2018 as presented. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.0 EIDNet Report

There have been no major issues since the last report.

Current EIDNet Customer Accounts		
Legacy Residential Accounts	92	
Residential Accounts	1,616	
Business Accounts	26	
EID Automation	41	
Total	1,775	

8.0 Equipment

Mr. Friesen presented the Equipment report.

8.01 Sale of ¹/₂, ³/₄ & 1 Ton Trucks – Results of Auction

The seven $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{3}{4}$ and 1 ton trucks sold at the Annett Auction last weekend for a total of \$61,200 less 5% commission = \$58,140. The guaranteed price, had it been chosen, was \$46,540.

8.02 Sale of Old Bridge

A request was received from Firmin Declercq to purchase one of the District's decommissioned 80' steel bridges. It is estimated that the value of these as scrap is between \$80 and \$100/ton. Considering the cost to the purchaser to load and haul, and having sold a similar bridge for \$5,000 in the past, this request was granted.

- 2018-10-431 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that one of the old steel bridges be sold to Firmin Declercq for \$5,000 as is, where is; with the purchaser incurring all costs associated with loading and moving the bridge and ensuring Workers Compensation coverage while on EID lands. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- [1:31 p.m. N. Fontaine and S. Connauton entered the meeting.]

9.0 Lands

9.01 Assessment, Water & Lands

S. Connauton presented the following Assessment, Water & Lands report.

9.01.1 Assessment Report to September 30, 2018

The Assessment Report for the period of July 1, 2018 to September 30, 2018 was presented, summarized as follows.

EID Water Roll				
Acres on the Water Roll	Irrigation Acres	Terminable Acres	Total	
July 1, 2018	297,903	4,461	302,364	
September 30, 2018	299,537	4,367	303,904	
Net increase	1,634	< 94 >	1,540	
Irrigation Acres Removed from the Water Roll (acres sold back for new subdivisions or part of Farm Improvement)			< 6 >	
Irrigation Acres Added to the Water Roll (acres purchased through Irrigation Dev. App. or Farm Improvement efficiencies)			1,546	
Terminable Acres Converted to Irrigation Acres			94	
Terminable Acres Canceled			0	

9.01.2 Farm Improvement Grant Applications

9.01.2.1 Panel – John Butkiewicz – SE 22-16-13 W4M

- Current Assessment: 139 acres
- Previous Grant: \$10,000 (2000)
- Installing: panel upgrade; keeping 4 acres outside of pivot
- Assessment remains the same at 139 acres (135 pivot, 4 corners)
 - Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-10-432 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for John Butkiewicz for the panel upgrade in SE 22-16-13 W4M quoted at \$8,588. The top up Farm Improvement

Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$13,500 (135 acres x \$100/acre) less \$10,000 (previous grant) less \$2,000 (4 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$1,500. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.2 Panel & C/A – Skrove Agro Services Ltd. (Chad Skrove) – SW 14-15-14 W4M

- Assessment: 145 acres (122 pivot, 23 flood)
- Installing: panel upgrade
- Converting: 23 acres flood to corner arm
- Assessment remains the same at 145 acres, all under pivot

2018-10-433 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Skrove Agro Services Ltd. (Chad Skrove) for the installation of a panel upgrade quoted at \$4,782 and the installation of a corner arm in SW 14-15-14 W4M. The base Farm Improvement Grant available to the Landowner is \$14,500 (145 acres x \$100/acre); with the amount payable being \$4,782 plus \$16,100 (23 acres x \$700/acre) = \$20,882. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.3 Pivot Replacement – Matthew Vossepoel – SW 29-16-12 W4M

- Current Assessment: 145 acres
- Installing: pivot replacement; keeping 13 acres outside of pivot
- Assessment remains the same at 145 acres (132 pivot, 13 corners)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-10-434 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Matthew Vossepoel for the pivot replacement in SW 29-16-12 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$13,200 (132 acres x \$100/acre) less \$6,500 (13 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$6,700. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.4 Farm Improvement Grants Paid to Date

The EID fiscal year end is September 30th. Farm Improvement Grants paid out this month for completed projects totaled \$45,082.

9.01.3 Irrigable Unit Registration – Fred Barg – Pt. N 1/2 & Pt. S 1/2 32-19-14 W4M

The landowner has 2 pivots installed on Pt. N ¹/₂ & Pt. S ¹/₂ 32-19-14 W4M, one of which crosses into a separate parcel on the west side, requiring that an irrigable unit be placed on both described parcels.

2018-10-435 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the registration of an Irrigable Unit on Pt. N ¹/₂ & Pt. S ¹/₂ 32-19-14 W4M, all lands being owned by Fred Barg. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.4 Return of Acres – Frank & Margaret Wiebe – SW 31-16-15 W4M The Landowners are requesting to sell 5 irrigation acres outside the wiper pivot in SW 31-16-15 W4M back to the District. A deduction was previously applied to these acres in June 2016.

2018-10-436 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the purchase of Frank & Margaret Wiebe's 5 acres of water rights on SW 31-16-15 W4M to the District. The amount payable to the Landowner

is \$5,000 (5 acres x \$1,000/acre) plus the return of \$2,500 (5 acres x \$500/acre prior deduction) = \$7,500. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[rescinded by motion 2018-11-462]

[1:43 p.m. S. Connauton exited the meeting.]

9.02 Lands, Oil & Gas

N. Fontaine presented the Lands, Oil & Gas report.

9.02.1 Request to Purchase Land – Robin & Pascalle Wisse – Pt. NE 23-16-16 W4M

A request was received from Robin & Pascalle Wisse to purchase an adjacent 5.25 acres in Pt. NE 23-16-16 W4M in Rainier, part of the Water Operator's residence lands. This request was reviewed but denied.

9.02.3 Carbon Development Corporation Land Acquisition

Carbon Development Corporation owns several parcels of land, including abandoned railroad ROW, within the EID. These parcels were acquired with the intent of developing a coal mine, but the project is no longer being pursued and the parcels are available for purchase. As some of the ROW runs through EID pasture lands it was previously directed to obtain the applicable parcels and a purchase price has since been mutually agreed upon. Any lands purchased in the package not bordered by the EID will be offered for sale to the adjacent landowner at the same price per acre plus survey, subdivision and legal fees.

2018-10-437 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the purchase of the identified portions of abandoned railway ROW in Townships 17 & 18, Range 16, consisting of approximately 104 acres, from the Carbon Development Corporation for \$93,000. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.02.4 Homes By Us Land Acquisition

Approximately 164 acres in Pt. SE 31 & Pt. W $\frac{1}{2}$ 32-17-14 W4M, north of Kinbrook Island Provincial Park, is now owned by Homes By Us. Originally the lands were proposed for development but have not proceeded. The preliminary design stage of the Scott Canal pipeline rehab project is showing that commencing the pipeline at Lake Newell in NW 32, rather than the existing alignment, has significant cost savings for the District in the amount of \$2,000,000 - \$2,500,000. Board direction was previously given to negotiate on the purchase of these lands and a purchase price has since been mutually agreed upon.

2018-10-438 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the purchase of the identified portions of shoreline land in Pt. W 1/2 32 & Pt. SE 31-17-14 W4M, consisting of approximately 164 acres, from Homes By Us for \$2,125,000. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[1:55 p.m. N. Fontaine exited the meeting.]

12.0 Staffing Update

Directors were apprised of recent staffing departures and new hires.

2:00 p.m. J. Hale moved the Board recess until Tuesday, October 30th, 9:00 a.m.

Those in attendance on October 30th were:

Mr. Jason Hale	Director	[Division 1]
Mr. Jim Culligan	Director	[Division 2]
Mr. Ross Owen	Chair	[Division 3]
Mr. Rod Johnson	Director	[Division 4]
Mr. Tony Brummelhuis	Director	[Division 5]
Mr. Bob Chrumka	Vice-Chair	[Division 6]
[vacant]		[Division 7]

Mr. Ivan Friesen Mr. Kevin Bridges Mrs. Wendy Enns

General Manager Assistant GM – Corporate Services Executive Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

[9:02 a.m. R. Gagley and N. Fontaine entered the meeting.]

1.0 Approval of Agenda cont'd.

- The following item was added to the agenda:
- 9.02.5 Letter from City of Brooks

2018-10-439 Moved by J. Hale that the Board adopt the continued Agenda as revised. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.0 Business Arising

3.02 Information from Harold Brauer

In follow up to a motion carried in March and subsequent notes from the landowner, the matter of a decommissioned ditch, change in delivery point and tree removal in NW 13-17-17 W4M was brought back to the table for review. Direction was given to R. Gagley to bring additional information back to the Board regarding the Bow City waterline east of this parcel.

9.0 Lands cont'd.

9.02 Lands, Oil & Gas cont'd.

9.02.1 10 Irrigated Leases – 5 Year Rate Review

N. Fontaine advised that 10 Irrigated Leases are due for a rental rate review. These leases were awarded at auction in 2013 with a term of 20 years, expiring December 31, 2033. The first year's rent was set at \$5,000 to accommodate breaking the land and the subsequent 4 years rent was established by multiplying the irrigated acres and the bid price, plus GST. The lessee was responsible to put up the pivot, install the mainline and connect power to the site. The lease agreement states that rental rates are to be mutually agreed upon, but cannot fall below the original bid amount. Several water users, both lessees and lessors, were consulted for comparatives and a

recommendation of \$150/acre, or more if the auction rate was higher, was presented to the Board. After a thorough discussion, the following motion was carried.

2018-10-440 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the 5 year rental rates for Irrigated Leases:

- #8367, #8368, #8369, #8370, #8371, #8372 and #8373 in the Rolling Hills area to be increased to \$150/acre on wetted acres; and
- #8375 and #8376 in the Gem area to remain at \$157/acre on wetted acres;

plus water and taxes, for the years 2019 through 2023. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Irrigated Lease #8374 is to be brought back to the Board with additional information.

[9:58 a.m. - 10:04 a.m. Short break; N. Fontaine exited the meeting.]

2018-10-441 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board resolve into the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.0 2018/2019 Budget – Further Review & Questions cont'd.

2.01 EIDNet Bandwidth Options cont'd.

- [11:00 a.m. 11:06 a.m. Short break; K. Bridges, R. Gagley and W. Enns exited the meeting.]
- [11:37 a.m. I. Friesen exited the meeting.]
- [11:55 a.m. I. Friesen rejoined the meeting.]
- [12:08 p.m. 12:34 p.m. Lunch break; K. Bridges, R. Gagley and W. Enns rejoined the meeting.]

[12:38 p.m. N. Fontaine re-entered the meeting.]

10.0 Engineering

10.01 Snake Lake Reservoir

[1:25 p.m. R. Gagley exited the meeting; R. Volek entered.]

9.0 Lands cont'd.

- 9.02 Lands, Oil & Gas cont'd.
- 9.02.5 Letter from City of Brooks
- 9.03 Grazing

9.03.1 Reservoir Right-of-Way Pasture Lands

[2:17 p.m. – 2:23 p.m. Short break; N. Fontaine and R. Volek exited the meeting; S. Connauton entered.]

3.0 Business Arising cont'd.

3.01 Policy Discussion – Increases in Irrigation Acres, Criteria & Guidelines

2018-10-442 Moved by B. Chrumka that the meeting be reconvened. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.0 2018/2019 Budget – Further Review & Questions cont'd.

The budget was given final consideration and a number of budget lines were further reviewed. Direction was given that office and field staff procedures for conveyance agreements be confirmed and this information brought back to the Board.

2.01 EIDNet Bandwidth Options cont'd.

The EIDNet Bandwidth Options proposal is to be further discussed when additional evaluations have been received.

10.0 Engineering cont'd.

10.01 Snake Lake Reservoir cont'd. Board direction was given to staff.

9.0 Lands cont'd.

- 9.02 Lands, Oil & Gas cont'd.
- **9.02.5 Letter from City of Brooks cont'd.** Board direction was given to Administration.

9.03 Grazing cont'd.

9.03.1 Reservoir Right-of-Way Pasture Lands cont'd. A draft agreement specific to grazing reservoir right-of-way pasture lands is to be brought back to the Board for review.

3.0 Business Arising cont'd.

3.01 Policy Discussion – Increases in Irrigation Acres, Criteria & Guidelines cont'd.

A new policy titled "Increase in Irrigation Acres Policy (2018)" was presented to the Board for review. This policy suspends Bylaw 840 (2003) "Increase in the Irrigation Expansion Limit" and replaces the "Increases in Irrigation Acres, Criteria and Guidelines" policy. Reflective of nearing the 311,000 Expansion Limit for the EID, the new policy limits the type of irrigation acres which may qualify for addition to the assessment roll, and confirms and clarifies District parameters for assessing irrigation applications. Essentially, the new policy only allows irrigation acres to be granted for General Assessment balancing requirements or for Farm Improvement projects on acres gained through efficiencies created from irrigation method conversions. All applications for new acres which are additional to efficiency/conversion acres, whether for infill or not; new acres for projects on dry parcels; and new acres for irrigation development applications will be held until the earlier of 2 years or when the Expansion Limit is increased. The draft policy was reviewed by Directors and a number of questions were responded to by Admin. It was requested that the proposed policy be revised by:

- removing "utilization or" and "or effective" in clause 10.5;
- changing words such as "he" and "his" to gender neutral words, as applicable;
- adding a gender clause; and
- this policy is to be reviewed in 6 months, or sooner if needed by decision of the Board.

[3:18 p.m. S. Connauton exited the meeting.]

2018-10-443 Moved by J. Culligan that Bylaw 840 (2003) be suspended and the policy titled "Increases in Irrigation Acres, Criteria and Guidelines", dated as amended February 2018, be rescinded and replaced with the revised resolution titled "Increase in Irrigation Acres Policy (2018)". Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The policy is available in its entirety on the District's website.

2.0 2018/2019 Budget – Further Review & Questions cont'd.

The 2018/2019 budget, as revised, was given Board approval.

2018-10-444 Moved by J. Hale that the Board of Directors approve the 2018/2019 Budget of the Eastern Irrigation District as revised. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13.0 Upcoming Events

13.01	Remembrance Day Ceremonies	- Sunday, November 11 th , JBS Canada Centre, 10:30 a.m. [<i>R. Owen laying wreath</i>]
13.02	Alberta Irrigation Districts Assoc. AGM	- Tuesday, November 13 th , Lethbridge Lodge, 10:00 a.m. [B. Chrumka, R. Owen, I. Friesen]
13.03	Scholarship Committee Meeting	- Thursday, November 15 th , 3:30 p.m. [B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Culligan, R. Johnson, T. Brummelhuis, I. Friesen]
13.04	EID / County Joint Meeting	- Thursday, November 15 th , 5:00 p.m., County Office [all]
13.05	Water and Agriculture Conference	- Thursday, November 22 nd , Crossfield
13.06	Regular Board Meeting	- Tuesday, November 27 th , 9:00 a.m.
13.07	Municipal / Irrigation District Roundtab	le - Lethbridge [R. Owen attending]

- 13.08 Regular Board Meeting
- 13.09 Corporate Planning Meetings
- Tuesday, December 18th, 9:00 a.m.
- January, 2019 [tentative]

T. Brummelhuis moved adjournment of the meeting at 3:29 p.m.

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General Manager

October 23 & 30, 2018

November 27, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting

The Directors of the Eastern Irrigation District held a regular meeting on the 27th day of November, 2018. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Jason Hale	Director	[Division 1]
Mr. Jim Culligan	Director	[Division 2]
Mr. Ross Owen	Chair	[Division 3]
Mr. Rod Johnson	Director	[Division 4]
Mr. Tony Brummelhuis	Director	[Division 5]
Mr. Bob Chrumka	Vice-Chair	[Division 6]
[vacant]		[Division 7]

Mr. Ivan Friesen Mr. Kevin Bridges Mrs. Wendy Enns General Manager Assistant GM – Corporate Services Executive Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

1.0 Approval of Agenda

The following items were added to the agenda:

- 7.06 Letter from Peacock Linder Halt & Mack LLP re Tateson Ranching Ltd. (Scott Tateson) –
 Reservoir Delivery for NE & NW 18-16-12 W4M and Request to Meet with the Board
- 9.02.1 Letter from Erik Versteegen re Irrigated Lease Rate Review
- 9.02.2 Letter from Claassen Farms Ltd. (Louis Claassen) re Irrigated Lease Rate Review
- 9.03.12 Letter from Gem Grazing Association re Extra Cattle in the Gem Lease
- 11.0 EID / County Joint Meeting

2018-11-445 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board adopt the Agenda as revised. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.0 Approval of Minutes

2.01 October 23 & 30, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting

It was requested to amend the minutes by adding the following discussion from the October meeting:

• 3.01, page 172, add a fourth bullet stating "this policy is to be reviewed in 6 months, or sooner if needed by decision of the Board".

A review date will also be noted on the policy document.

2018-11-446 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Minutes of the October 23 & 30, 2018 Regular Board Meeting be approved as amended. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.0 Reports on Meetings / Events

Directors advised of two upcoming meetings.

4.0 Business Arising

There were no matters raised.

5.0 Financial Report

K. Bridges presented the following Financial Report.

5.01 Financial Statements – October 31, 2018

The financial statements to October 31, 2018 were reviewed, noting the following overall:

- YTD revenues total about \$5.1 million and are tracking over YTD budget, largely due to October revenues including 2 months of oil & gas annual rentals and EIDNet subscription fees.
- YTD net operating expenses total about \$933,000 and are tracking under YTD budget.
- YTD potential transfer to the IWF is about \$4.2 million.

A number of questions were responded to by administration.

2018-11-447 Moved by J. Hale that the Board approve the Financial Statements to October 31, 2018, as presented. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.0 AGM & Election

Mr. Bridges proposed scheduling options for the District's Annual General Meeting and Election considerations. To date, no governmental changes have been announced concerning including irrigation districts in the definition of "elected authorities" to authorize certain provisions such as advance voting, special ballots, voting subdivisions and list of electors.

6.01 Set AGM, Nominations Close, Board Meetings & Election Dates

The following dates were set, with the allowance in the schedule to conduct an Advance Vote the second week in April, if legislative provision is made to authorize irrigation districts to do so.

2018-11-448 Moved by J. Culligan that:

- the March Board Meeting be held on Monday, March 18, 2019;
- the Annual General Meeting be held on Tuesday, March 19, 2019;
- the right to file nominations expires on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.;
- if necessary, an Election be held Tuesday, April 16, 2019; and
- an Organizational Meeting be held Tuesday, April 23, 2019.

Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.02 Electoral Divisions Bylaw #926

The Electoral Divisions Bylaw was revised to include the NW 36-20-19 W4M parcel, which was officially added to the District in January. It was requested that the electoral divisional boundaries be examined to address the imbalance in water user representation. This topic will be brought to the Corporate Planning sessions.

- 2018-11-449 Moved by J. Hale that Bylaw #926 (2018), be introduced and read the first time this 27th day of November, 2018. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-11-450 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board read and approve Bylaw #926 (2018) the second time this 27th day of November, 2018. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-11-451 Moved by J. Culligan that with all Directors being present, consent be granted to give third reading to Bylaw #926 (2018) this 27th day of November, 2018. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2018-11-452 Moved by J. Hale that Bylaw #926 (2018), being a Bylaw of the Eastern Irrigation District to Provide for the Division of the District into Electoral Divisions, be read the third time and finally passed. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.03 2019 Election Date Bylaw #927

The 2019 Election Date Bylaw was presented, reflecting dates as per motion 2018-11-448. Direction was given to investigate moving the entire process approximately 2 weeks earlier, for future elections. If keeping the same format, this would also impact the year-end audit and report book publication deadlines.

- 2018-11-453 Moved by R. Johnson that Bylaw #927 (2018), be introduced and read the first time this 27th day of November, 2018. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-11-454 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board read and approve Bylaw #927 (2018) the second time this 27th day of November, 2018. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-11-455 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that with all Directors being present, consent be granted to give third reading to Bylaw #927 (2018) this 27th day of November, 2018. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-11-456 Moved by J. Hale that Bylaw #927 (2018), being a Bylaw of the Eastern Irrigation District to Set the Date for the Election, if any, to be held in 2019, be read the third time and finally passed. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- [9:46 a.m. 9:51 a.m. Short break; R. Gagley entered the meeting.]

7.0 Engineering

R. Gagley presented the following Engineering Report.

7.01 Project Status

R. Gagley presented the following project status, advising that crews started construction October 22nd with 17 Bow Slope; it was completed in under 2 weeks. For 09-A Rolling Hills, 1,200 m of pipeline has been installed and 3.2 km of ditch reclaimed. The large 11-H West Bantry project has 13 km of open ditch reclaimed and 3.2 km remaining. Landowners are being assisted with the removal of pumping infrastructure in preparation for pipelining on this project to start mid-December. A number of questions were responded to by staff and administration.

	EID CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS
EARTHWORKS	
17 Bow Slope	- job complete, final cleanup remaining
H West Bantry Canal	- surveyed, Board approved, detailed design complete, ROWs signed, construction 0% complete
PIPELINE	
11-H West Bantry	- surveyed, Board approved, detailed design complete, ROWs signed, construction 5% complete

STRUCTURES		
18/19 Structure Program	- surveyed, Board approved, detailed design complete, ROWs n/a	
IRP PROJECTS		
EARTHWORKS		
09-A Rolling Hills	- surveyed, Board approved, detailed design complete, ROWs signed, construction 25% complete	
09-A Springhill	- surveyed, Board approved, detailed design complete	

7.02 County/EID Drainage Program Update

Mr. Gagley gave additional comment to the County/EID Drainage Program summary below. Director advisements were given concerning a portion of the Rainier South project.

COUNTY/EID DRAINAGE PROGRAM		
CURRENT PROJECTS		
Millicent	- 28.8 km completed in 2016/17	
Minicent	- 4.5 km awaiting HMQ approval	
	- 10.3 km completed in 2017, 8.4 km completed in 2018	
Rainier South	- 12.7 km remaining, to be completed early next year	
	- \$990,000 spent this year	
FUTURE PROJECTS		
	- 38.3 km total project size	
Rainier North	- 75% of landowners signed	
	- construction planned to start mid-2019	
Bow City - 13.9 km total project size - construction planned to start in 2020		
Rosemary	- construction planned to start approximately in 2021	
	- multi-year project, at least 4 years to complete	

7.03 IRP Annual Rolling 3-Year Plan for 2019/20 to 2021/22

The District's Annual Rolling 3-Year Plan for the provincial government's Irrigation Rehabilitation Program, for the years 2019/20 to 2021/22, was presented. A number of questions were responded to by admin and staff. Completed projects and continuing projects were listed in the report, with new projects being reviewed and outlined as follows:

IRP Annual Rolling 3-Year Plan			
Year Project Estimated Expenditure			
Proposed Year 1 - 2019/20	06 Bow Slope	\$4,500,000	
Proposed Year 2 - 2020/21	[no project]	-	
Proposed Year 3 - 2021/22	Scott Pipeline	\$8,800,000	

2018-11-457 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the IRP Annual Rolling 3-Year Plan for the years 2019/20 to 2021/22. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.04 Request for Drain Relocation – Alfred & Nancy Klassen – SW 36-22-17 W4M

The landowners are requesting a drain relocation to accommodate a pivot with corner arm in SW 36-22-17 W4M. The current drain severs the parcel diagonally and it is being proposed to relocate the drain to the west boundary and along the yard site in the SW corner. The project is estimated to cost \$46,500, of which the EID by policy would pay 75% up to \$50,000.

2018-11-458 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement Drain Relocation for Alfred & Nancy Klassen in SW 36-22-17 W4M, to be funded on a 75/25 cost-share basis up to \$50,000. The total project cost is \$46,500; of which the EID would pay \$34,875 and the Landowner would pay \$11,625. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.05 Information from Harold Brauer – Update

Additional information was brought back to the Board regarding Mr. Brauer's concerns. A waterline west of NW 13-17-17 W4M and Sec. Hwy #539 serves the Bow City Campground and is owned by Alberta Transportation. It is this line that is used to drain the system, as such the decommissioned ditch on NW 13 is not needed by the District. Mr. Gagley provided a rough estimate to bore beneath the road if Mr. Brauer is interested in negotiating with Alberta Transportation to tie into the line to the west. Through discussion it was consensus to inform Mr. Brauer that the Board upheld motion 2018-03-135, is offering information on an available option, but there being no additional assistance from the District.

7.06 Letter from Peacock Linder Halt & Mack LLP re Tateson Ranching Ltd. (Scott Tateson) – Reservoir Delivery for NE & NW 18-16-12 W4M and Request to Meet with the Board

A letter was received from Peacock Linder Halt & Mack LLP on behalf of Tateson Ranching Ltd. (Scott Tateson) requesting to meet with the Board concerning the reservoir delivery for NE & NW 18-16-12 W4M. A lengthy discussion was held reviewing various aspects of this matter. Direction was given to add a note referencing policy in the draft response letter, and to forward the letter and all attachments to Johanna Price – Peacock Linder Halt & Mack LLP, Jennifer Nitschelm, Director – Irrigation Secretariat, and Dennis Roth – Ackroyd LLP.

[11:35 a.m. R. Gagley exited the meeting.]

8.0 Equipment

8.01 Quotes on the Purchase of ¹/₂ Ton Trucks

Mr. Friesen presented quotes for the purchase of four $\frac{1}{2}$ ton, regular cab – long box, or extended cab – short box trucks.

Dealership	4 - ½ Ton Regular Cab Long Box	4 - ½ Ton Extended Cab Short Box
Martin Chrysler Ltd Brooks	-	\$31,887.00
Davis Dodge - Fort Macleod	\$34,452.00	\$33,037.00
Sun City Ford - Medicine Hat	\$33,158.00	\$33,768.00
Harwood Ford Sales - Brooks	\$35,144.81	\$35,822.06
Davis Chevrolet Brooks	-	-

2018-11-459 Moved by B. Chrumka that the District purchase: four ½ ton extended cab short box trucks at \$31,887.00 per unit; from Martin Chrysler Ltd. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.02 Quotes on Purchase of Picker Truck

Quotes were also presented for the purchase of a Picker Truck to replace the 2006 model.

Truck		
Make/Dealer	Truck Price	Total \$
Mack	\$158,250.00	\$169,250.00
Freightliner	\$159,685.00	\$176,740.00
Kenworth T 880	\$171,091.25	\$178,100.00
Peterbilt	-	\$193,710.00

Deck & Crane			
Make/Dealer	Comments	Steel Deck & Scissor Hoist	Total \$
Horizon T&B	Fassi F215A.0.25 with remote	20' deck	\$95,575.00
Commercial	Amco Veba V924-6S with remote 20' deck \$96,765.00		\$96,765.00
ARW Truck	Hiab 228E-5 HiDuo 21' deck \$121,217.28		

Trailer	
Make/Dealer	Total \$
Oasis	\$26,500.00
Horizon T&B	\$27,980.00

2018-11-460 Moved by R. Johnson that the District purchase components for a Picker Truck as follows:

- Mack truck from Transwestern Truck Centres, Calgary for \$169,250;
- deck and crane from Horizon Truck & Body Ltd., Lethbridge for \$95,575; and
- trailer from Oasis Trailer Manufacturing, Rolling Hills for \$26,500

for a total of \$291,325. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[11:41 a.m. – 12:12 p.m. Lunch break; S. Connauton entered the meeting.]

9.0 Lands

9.01 Assessment, Water & Lands

S. Connauton presented the following Assessment, Water & Lands report.

9.01.1 Farm Improvement Policy

It was recommended that clarification be added to policy confirming that the filling in of dugouts which are in the path of a pivot qualify for the 50/50 cost-share Farm Improvement Grant, up to \$12,000.

2018-11-461 Moved by R. Johnson that clause 10.0 of the Farm Improvement Policy be revised as presented. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The revised Farm Improvement Policy can be viewed in its entirety on the District's website.

9.01.2 Farm Improvement Grant Applications

All Farm Improvement Grants are subject to a reduction of \$500/acre for any corner acres or acres kept outside the pivot area; and a reduction for any previous grants received on that parcel. For any irrigation acres which are returned to the District, the EID will pay \$1,000/acre. For infill irrigation acres purchased, the capital assets charge is \$300/acre. With proof of installation, applications will be considered on a 2 year retroactive basis; with any approvals based on the grant values at the time of installation.

9.01.2.1 Return of Acres – Frank & Margaret Wiebe – Rescind Motion

At last month's meeting, a request from Frank & Margaret Wiebe to sell 5 acres of water rights in SW 31-16-15 W4M back to the District was approved. Due to a pending land transfer, the Landowners have now decided not to sell the acres.

2018-11-462 Moved by J. Culligan that motion 2018-10-436 be rescinded. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

<u>Cost-Shares</u> (turnouts, crossings, drain relos, tree removal, machine leveling, gated pipe, etc.) The EID will cost-share the project up to a maximum amount, as per policy.

9.01.2.2 50/50 Cost Share – Bruce & Dulcie Beasley – NE & SE 28-19-13 W4M

The landowners are applying for a 50/50 cost-share to remove trees and fill in 2 ponds and a ditch in NE & SE 28-19-13 W4M to accommodate pivot design. The work on both parcels, which does not include hauling trees or material, is estimated to cost \$17,000 of which the EID by policy will pay 50% up to \$12,000 per parcel.

2018-11-463 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Bruce & Dulcie Beasley for the removal of trees and filling in of 2 ponds and a ditch in NE & SE 28-19-13 W4M, to be funded on a 50/50 cost-share basis up to \$12,000. The project for both parcels is estimated to cost \$17,000; of which the Landowner's share is \$8,500. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

<u>Conversions</u> (wheels, pivot, sub-surface) The EID will pay up to \$100/irrigated acre for conversions, as per policy.

9.01.2.3 Wheels to Pivot - Tracy O'Hara - NE 31-20-14 W4M

Previous Motion:	2016-07-181; application resubmitted
Current Assessment:	80 acres wheels
Converting:	80 acres wheels to pivot; 12 additional acres needed
Conversion Acres Gained:	80 acres wheels to pivot = 12 conversion acres allowable
New Assessment: 92 acres, all under pivot	
Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding	

- 2018-11-464 Moved by J. Culligan that motion 2016-07-181 be rescinded. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2018-11-465 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Tracy O'Hara for the conversion of 80 acres wheels to pivot in NE 31-20-14 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$8,000 (80 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge for 12 acres gained through efficiencies is \$3,600 (12 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

<u>Upgrades</u> (panels, nozzles, drag houses, pivots, pumps) Upon receipt, the EID will pay up to \$100/irrigated acre for upgrades, as per policy.

9.01.2.4 Panel & Nozzles – The Hutterian Brethren of Bow City – Sec 34-17-17 W4M

Previous Assessment:196 acres (180 acres purchased for irrigation development)Current Assessment:376 acres pivotInstalling:panel & nozzles upgradeAssessment remains the same at 376 acres, all under pivotParcel has reached its maximum grant funding

2018-11-466 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for The Hutterian Brethren of Bow City for the panel and nozzles upgrade in Sec. 34-17-17 W4M quoted at \$20,928. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$19,600 (196 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.5 Panel – The Hutterian Brethren of Bow City – Sec 29-17-17 W4M

Previous Assessment:	57 acres (acres purchased in 2002 for irrigation development)
Current Assessment:	131 acres pivot + 17 acres annual agreement = 148 acres
Installing:	nozzles & gear box upgrade
Assessment remains the same	at 131 acres, all under pivot
Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding	

2018-11-467 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for The Hutterian Brethren of Bow City for the nozzles and gear box upgrade in Sec. 29-17-17 W4M quoted at \$5,928. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$5,700 (57 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.3 Increase in Irrigation Acres – Applications for 2019

Applications for an increase in irrigation acres for 2019 were presented in compliance with the Increase in Irrigation Acres Policy (2018); only projects gaining efficiency acres through irrigation method conversions were recommended.

9.01.3.1 Calvin & Lorette Cameron - N 1/2 14-18-14 W4M

Current Assessment:	136 acres (124 wiper pivot, 22 flood)
Proposal:	147 acres under 2 wiper pivots; 11 additional acres needed
Conversion Acres Gained:	22 acres flood to pivot = 11 conversion acres allowable
New Assessment:	147 acres, all under pivot
Notes:	soils not required; irrigable unit will be required; 45 acres needed
	to complete the main pivot once the acres become available

2018-11-468 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Calvin & Lorette Cameron for 11 additional acres, gained through conversion efficiencies, on N 1/2 14-18-14 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$3,300 (11 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.3.2 Guy Fukuda, Warren Fukuda and Harold Fukuda – SE 27-20-12 W4M

Current Assessment:	117 acres wheels
Proposal:	120 acre pivot; 3 additional acres needed
Conversion Acres Gained:	117 acres wheels to pivot = 18 conversion acres allowable
New Assessment:	120 acres, all under pivot
Notes:	soils not required

2018-11-469 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Guy Fukuda, Harold Fukuda and Warren Fukuda for 3 additional acres, gained through conversion efficiencies, on SE 27-20-12 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$900 (3 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.3.3 Cole Webb - NE 19-17-13 W4M

Current Assessment:	89 acres wheels
Proposal:	106 acre pivot; 17 additional acres needed
Conversion Acres Gained:	70 acres wheels to pivot = 10 conversion acres allowable
	19 acres flood to pivot = 10 conversion acres allowable
New Assessment:	106 acres, all under pivot
Notes:	soils not required

2018-11-470 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Cole Webb for 17 additional acres, gained through conversion efficiencies, on NE 19-17-13 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$5,100 (17 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.3.4 2125538 AB Ltd. (Erich van der Linde) – N 1/2 23-18-15 W4M

Current Assessment:	180 acres wheels
Proposal:	196 acres under wiper pivot and wiper pivot with corner arm;
	16 additional acres needed
Conversion Acres Gained:	180 acres wheels to pivot = 27 conversion acres allowable
New Assessment:	196 acres, all under pivot
Notes:	soils not required; irrigable unit will be required

- 2018-11-471 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for 2125538 AB Ltd. (Erich van der Linde) for 16 additional acres, gained through conversion efficiencies, on N 1/2 23-18-15 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$4,800 (16 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 9.01.2 Farm Improvement Grant Applications cont'd.

9.01.2.6 50/50 Cost Share – 2125538 AB Ltd. (Erich van der Linde) – NE 23-18-15 W4M

The landowner is applying for a 50/50 cost-share to remove trees in NE 23-18-15 W4M to accommodate a new pivot design. The work, which does not include hauling the trees, is estimated to cost \$2,000 of which the EID by policy will pay 50% up to \$12,000.

2018-11-472 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for 2125538 AB Ltd. (Erich van der Linde) for the removal of trees in N ½ 23-18-15 W4M, to be funded on a 50/50 cost-share basis up to \$12,000. The project is estimated to cost \$2,000; of which the Landowner's share is \$1,000. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.01.2.7 Farm Improvement Grants – 2019 Fiscal Year Budget Report

The Farm Improvement Grant 2019 Fiscal Year Budget Report for October 1, 2018 to November 27, 2018 was presented as follows.

FARM IMPROVEMENT GRANTS – 2019 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET	
2019 Farm Improvement Grant Budget as of October 1, 2018 \$4,000,000	
Grants approved but not paid (<i>incomplete</i>) as of September 30, 2018 *	< \$1,694,485 > *
2019 Budget Remaining (if all grants paid out from last year)	\$2,305,515
Farm Improvement Grants	
October (approved and paid)	< \$ 32,468 >
November (approved)	< \$ 42,800 >
Total Budget Remaining (if all grants paid out from last year)	\$2,230,247

*Of the \$1,694,485 total for approved but unpaid grants, \$1,609,967 remains to be paid in the 2019 fiscal year.

[12:25 p.m. S. Connauton exited the meeting, N. Fontaine entered.]

9.02 Lands, Oil & Gas

N. Fontaine presented the following Lands, Oil & Gas report.

9.02.1 Letter from Erich Versteegen re Irrigated Lease Rate Review

A letter was received from Erich Versteegen requesting that the rate set last month for Irrigated Leases #8367, #8368, #8369 and #8370 for the years 2019 through 2023 be reduced. The percentage increase and work completed by the Lessee to improve the land were argued, with an offer of 5% per year over the next 15 years. Market rental rates were reviewed again by the Board and it was the consensus of the group to uphold motion 2018-10-440 setting the rental rate at \$150/acre.

9.02.2 Letter from Claassen Farms Ltd. (1565567 AB Ltd. – Louis Claassen) re Irr Lease Rate Review

A similar letter was received from Claassen Farms Ltd. (1565567 AB Ltd. – Louis Claassen) requesting that the rate set last month for Irrigated Leases #8371, #8372 and #8373 also be reduced. As per the above, this request was also denied.

9.02.3 Irrigated Lease #8374 – 5 Year Rate Review

Irrigated Lease #8374 was brought back to the Board with additional information. Discussion centered on parcel conditions, work to reclaim, bid package information, lease auction, lessee improvements on other parcels and market rent, with the following motion being carried.

2018-11-473 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the 5 year rental rate for Irrigated Lease: #8374 be maintained at \$132/acre on wetted acres; plus water and taxes, for the years 2019 through 2023. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED IN FAVOUR – R. Owen, J. Culligan, R. Johnson, J. Hale OPPOSED – B. Chrumka, T. Brummelhuis

[12:55 p.m. R. Volek, Dale Christman and Dale Pfahl entered the meeting.]

1:00 p.m. Long Term Lease Rider Recognition – Presentation of Gifts – Dale Christman, Dale Pfahl

Recently retired long-term Lease Riders, Dale Christman and Dale Pfahl, were invited to the Board Meeting for a presentation of appreciation. Lease riding in the Duchess Grazing Association for over 30 years, and the Tilley Swing Field for over 20 years respectively, gratitude was extended to the gentlemen for their dedication and stewardship of the EID lands and framed prints were presented.

[12:58 p.m. R. Volek, D. Christman and D. Pfahl exited the meeting.]

9.02.4 Irrigated & Dry Lease #7247 – 5 Year Rate Review

Irrigated & Dry Lease #7247 in the Patricia area is a unique lease as it has 1,755 acres of grazing (250 AUM) and 432 acres (2 pivots) of irrigation. The irrigation water is pumped from the North Bantry up into a small reservoir, then 2 pumps move it from the reservoir to the pivots. The annual rental consists of the convenience factor and carrying capacity factor for the grazing portion; and the irrigation rate for the pivots, which is now up for review. A number of questions were responded to by staff and admin.

2018-11-474 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the 5 year rental rate for the irrigation portion of Irrigation and Dry Lease:

• #7247 in the Patricia area to be increased to \$120/acre on wetted acres; plus water and taxes, for the years 2019 through 2023. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.02.5 Request to Transfer Irrigated Leases #8216 & #8254 - Nannt to Halsema

Fred Nannt is requesting to transfer Irrigated Leases #8216 and #8254 to Eusebius Halsema. Once residing within the District boundaries, Mr. Halsema will be eligible to hold the irrigated leases.

2018-11-475 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that Irrigated Leases #8216 & #8254 be transferred from Fred Nannt to Eusebius Halsema, upon meeting the District residency requirement. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.02.6 Oil & Gas Activity Report – Year End Summary (Oct 1, 2017 – Sep 30, 2018)

N. Fontaine presented the Oil & Gas year-end summary. A few questions were responded to concerning orphaned wells and abandoned pipe.

Oil & Gas Activity Report October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018	
New Activity	
New Locations	49

Twinned Walls	26	
Twinned Wells	26	
Total	75	
Pipelines	253 acres or 1,518 miles	
Seismic	2 permits or 199.35 miles	
Abandoned Wells		
Notifications	91	70 CNRL, 14 Torxen, 7 Cardinal
Twinned Well Notifications	5	1 CNRL, 2 Torxen, 2 Cardinal
Reclaimed Wells		
Reclamation Certificates	16	1 CNRL, 14 Cenovus/Torxen, 1 Arc
Canceled Locations	-	

9.02.7 Canal ROW Sale of Land - NW 11-15-15 W4M (IL #8329 - Bruce Takeda)

The Lessee of Irrigated Lease #8329 in Pt. NW & Pt. NE 11-15-15 W4M has exercised the option to purchase as per the lease agreement. Adjacent to the west boundary of the lease the EID owns a 21.58 acre ROW along the Bow Slope Canal. The existing pivot and pumping equipment currently encroach onto the EID land. It is being recommended to sell a portion of the ROW to accommodate the lease.

- 2018-11-476 Moved by R. Johnson that the approximate 15.21 acres of excess ROW land east of the Bow Slope Canal in NW 11-15-15 W4M be sold to current IL #8329 Lessee Bruce Takeda upon the purchase of the lease, subject to the acres being consolidated into the parcel:
 - 3 irrigated acres at \$7,000/acre = \$21,000
 - 12.21 dry acres at \$2,000/acre = \$24,420

for a subtotal of \$45,420 plus all required survey, legal, subdivision, consolidation and capital asset fees; final areas are subject to confirmation. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.02.8 Canal ROW Sale of Land – SW 11-15-15 W4M (IL #8330 – Nancy Takeda)

The Lessee of Irrigated Lease #8330 in Pt. SW & Pt. SE 11-15-15 W4M has also exercised the option to purchase as per the lease agreement. Adjacent to the west boundary of the lease the EID owns a 19.65 acre ROW along the Bow Slope Canal. It is being recommended to sell a portion of the ROW to allow for consolidation of the parcels and provide an opportunity for future expansion.

2018-11-477 Moved by R. Johnson that the approximate 15.91 acres of excess ROW land east of the Bow Slope Canal in NW 11-15-15 W4M be sold to current IL #8329 Lessee Nancy Takeda upon the purchase of the lease, subject to the acres being consolidated into the parcel:

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• 15.91 dry acres at $2,000/acre = $31,820
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for a subtotal of \$45,420 plus all required survey, legal, subdivision, consolidation and capital asset fees; final areas are subject to confirmation. Seconded by J. Culligan. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[1:21 p.m. – 1:24 p.m. Short break; R. Volek entered the meeting.]

9.03 Grazing

R. Volek presented the following Grazing report.

9.03.1 Summary of 2018 Grazing Season

The 2018 grazing season began with average spring moisture and grass growth but as the season developed, southern regions received significantly less rainfall. As a result, and with a flexible Round Up Date, the cattle in the south were gathered approximately a week before those in the north. Overall, grass conditions are good with average to very good carryover grass throughout the District. Exceptional spring runoff filled dugouts to capacity and resulted in less pumping and waterline maintenance costs. 249 members placed 17,375 head of cattle, and the season was extended to October 27. New improvements consisted of 21.5 km of waterlines, 7 tanks, 3 dugouts and 49 km of fence. As germination was excellent on the newly reseeded Kitsim pivots, the standing hay was tendered. The lease cleanup program progressed well with Gem, Patricia, Tilley and Tilley Swing leases now being complete. Rolling Hills, Rosemary, Bantry and Finnegan Swing leases will be targeted for 2019. A number of small fires, but only one major fire, occurred in 2019. The large fire consumed approximately 350 acres in the Bassano area, and it was believed it was started from someone driving off trail. The JBS irrigated farm lease south of Rock Lake became fully operational this summer. Approval to apply effluent to NE 02-20-15 W4M (north EID pasture pivot) is still pending from Alberta Environment. The Policy Governing Eligibility and Operation of Pastures on EID Lands was revised slightly for clarity in April, and in June a temporary amending motion was instated which prevents the acceptance of any new corporate applications until further notice. This ban will be in place until legal clarity is received regarding District bylaws and policies. A number of questions were responded to by Mr. Volek.

[1:36 p.m. R. Johnson exited the meeting.]

9.03.2 Set Total Number of Cattle for the 2019 Grazing Season

With pasture conditions being very good overall and significant carryover grass in most leases, an AUM of 87,500 was recommended for the 2019 grazing season. This translates to 17,500 head (cow/calf pair) over 5 months.

2018-11-478 Moved by J. Culligan that the total number of cattle for Community Grazing Pastures be set at 87,500 AUM for the 2019 grazing season. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[1:42 p.m. R. Johnson rejoined the meeting.]

9.03.3 Set AUM Grazing Rate for the 2019 Grazing Season

The AUM grazing rate for community pastures is set annually. This rate is also used in calculations for the annual fees charged for Private Grazing Leases. A number of considerations were expressed, including recent years' rates, market rate, pasture improvements, pasture cleanup, oil & gas compensation, surplus and deficits.

2018-11-479 Moved by J. Hale that the AUM Grazing Rate for the 2019 season be set at \$13.50/AUM. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[2:03 p.m. J. Hale declared a pecuniary interest and exited the meeting. R. Johnson offered to leave the meeting, but it was determined that there was no pecuniary interest as his Private Grazing Lease is an annual lease based on a flat rate of payment.]

9.03.4 Private Grazing Lease Convenience Factor – 5 Year Rate Review

Private Grazing Leases were reissued in 2008 with a 5 year rate review of the Convenience Factor included in the agreement. Annual rent includes a Convenience Factor charge and a Carrying Capacity charge (the same as community pastures), and the leaseholder is responsible for all fencing costs. It was reviewed that in 2013 an increase was applied to the first part of the calculation for the Convenience Factor. This time it was discussed to address the second part of the calculation so as not to penalize the smaller leases.

2018-11-480 Moved by J. Culligan that the Private Grazing Lease Convenience Factor of:

• (\$4.00/acre for 1st 160 acres) + (\$4.00 x remaining AUM over 26) be increased to:

• (\$4.00/acre for 1st 160 acres) + (\$5.00 x remaining AUM over 26) for years 2019 through 2023. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The full calculation for Private Grazing Lease charges is now:

Convenience Factor Carrying Capacity Factor (\$4.00/acre for 1st 160 acres) + (\$5.00 x remaining AUM over 26) + (Comm. Grazing Rate)(fullAUM)

[2:14 p.m. J. Hale rejoined the meeting.]

9.03.5 Request to Transfer PGL #7037 – John Douglass to 358645 AB Ltd (Neil Douglass) John Douglass is the sole lessee of PGL #7037. He is requesting to transfer 1/2 interest to 358645 Alberta Ltd. (Neil Douglass). This is a 15 year lease with 5 years remaining and can only be transferred to family members only. 358645 Alberta Ltd. (Neil Douglass) meets all eligibility requirements.

2018-11-481 Moved by J. Hale that half interest of Private Grazing Lease #7037 be transferred from John Douglass to 358645 Alberta Ltd. (Neil Douglass). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.03.6 Request to Transfer PGL #7219 – Larry Hirch to Victor & Dorothy Lethbridge

Larry Hirch, and Victor & Dorothy Lethbridge, both have a ¹/₂ interest in PGL #7219. L. Hirch is requesting to transfer his ¹/₂ interest to V. & D. Lethbridge, who will then have sole interest in the lease and continue to meet all eligibility requirements.

2018-11-482 Moved by J. Culligan that half interest of Private Grazing Lease #7219 be transferred from Larry Hirch to Victor & Dorothy Lethbridge. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.03.7 PGL Turned Back to EID – #7024 (Scott Sewall) PGL #7024, W ½ 31-19-12 W4M, has been turned back to the EID as the Lessee is no longer eligible to hold the lease. This 319 acre, 45 AUM, lease was transferable to family members only and expires in 2023. Fencing, corrals and windbreak improvements total \$21,000. A short discussion followed.

2018-11-483 Moved by J. Culligan that Private Grazing Lease #7024 (W ½ 31-19-12 W4M), approximately 310 grazing acres and 45 AUM, be tendered out as:

- a long term Private Grazing Lease, expiring at the end of 2038;
- with a \$21,000 minimum bid; and

• with standard restrictions and requirements. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.03.8 PGL Expired - #7214 (Robert McKnight)

The 3 year lease for PGL #7214, SW 27, NE 27, SE 34 & SW 35-14-13 W4M, has expired. This 640 acre, 115 AUM, lease was kept out of a long term agreement as potential irrigation development. All fence maintenance costs were the responsibility of the lessee. A short discussion followed.

2018-11-484 Moved by R. Johnson that Private Grazing Lease #7214 (SW 27, NE 27, SE 34 & SW 35-14-13 W4M), approximately 640 grazing acres and 115 AUM, be tendered out as

- a 3 year lease, expiring on October 1, 2021;
- with no minimum bid; and
- with standard restrictions and requirements, but no Private Grazing Lease deduction. Seconded by J. Hale. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.03.9 Kitsim Pivots – Pasture Establishment Costs

Costs for reseeding the Kitsim pivots to irrigated pasture totaled \$113,912.31 less \$84,483.00 in hay sale = \$29,413.31 net. As per motion 2017-12-462, costs to be paid from the District's general revenues were \$65/acre for seed and \$25/acre for seeding; all other reseeding costs were to be recovered from the grazing associations. The total EID contribution is calculated to be \$36,164.35 which exceeds the net cost and leaves \$0 to be recovered from grazing associations.

[12:23 p.m. – 12:54 p.m. Lunch break.]

9.03.10 Rock Lake Pivot – Letter from Dan Plumer

A letter was received from Dan Plumer regarding concerns with the irrigated farming agreement with JBS and the operation of the EID pivots south and east of Rock Lake reservoir that are utilized for irrigated pasture by Duchess Grazing. The new pivot on NE 02-20-15 W4M did not receive approval to apply effluent from Alberta Environment due to a portion of the soils on this parcel that were classified as 5R. In the past, 5R soils were allowed to be irrigated with treated industrial wastewater. The pivot to the south of the pivot on NE 02 has also been denied application of TIW due to high EC values in the lower horizons. Because of logistical issues with the application of fresh water, volumes delivered were low to these parcels and pasture growth was poor. To accelerate the acceptability of the soils to apply effluent, a proposal from MCF was reviewed to double seed the parcels to a spring and fall Triticale to be silage in July and the regrowth grazed in the fall. A number of questions were responded to by staff and admin. The Board was in agreement with the proposal from MCF to address the effluent irrigation restrictions. Monitoring of this and other matters will be increased next year by both parties.

[2:50 p.m. - 2:54 p.m. Short break.]

2018-11-485 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board resolve into the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.03.11 Reservoir Right-of-Way Pasture Lands

9.03.12 Letter from Gem GA re Extra Cattle in the Gem Lease

[3:39 p.m. R. Volek exited the meeting, R. Gagley entered.]

7.0 Engineering cont'd.

7.06 Snake Lake Reservoir

[3:56 p.m. R. Gagley and N. Fontaine exited the meeting; R. Moen entered.]

10.0 EIDNet Report

- 10.01 Monthly Report
- 10.02 Bandwidth Options

11.0 EID / County Joint Meeting

2018-11-486 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the meeting be reconvened. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.0 Lands cont'd.

9.03.11 Reservoir Right-of-Way Pasture Lands

It was requested that additional information be brought back to the Board for consideration of requirements and parameters within a proposed lease agreement, including a range of annual rent projections.

9.03.12 Letter from Gem GA re Extra Cattle in the Gem Lease

The EID was copied a letter to a grazing member regarding extra cattle in the lease. This was received as information only as the matter was handled at the Association level.

7.0 Engineering cont'd.

7.06 Snake Lake Reservoir

Direction was given to staff.

10.0 EIDNet Report

10.01 Monthly Report

A moratorium has currently been put on new installs and upgrades in the Rosemary, Patricia and One Tree areas because of backhaul bandwidth issues. All but 4 automation sites have now been shut down for winter.

10.02 Bandwidth Options

Consensus on future direction was gained.

2018-11-487 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Backhaul Bandwidth Project to increase capacity for One Tree, Patricia and Cassils areas, estimated at \$168,000. Seconded by J. Hale. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

11.0 **EID / County Joint Meeting**

A short review was held on one matter from the EID/County Joint Meeting.

12.0 **Corporate Planning – Dates, Topics**

Corporate Planning is to be tentatively set for January 15th & 16th, 2019. Suggested topics include:

- Irrigation Expansion Limit
- Capital Assets Charge •
- **EIDNet**
- **Election Boundaries**
- Budget
- Water Storage

13.0 **Upcoming Events**

- 13.01 Crawling Valley Recreation Society Mtg - Tuesday, November 27th [J. Hale]
- 13.02
- 13.03
- 13.04 GAC Meeting
- 13.05 Regular Board Meeting
- 13.06 Scholarship Awards & Reception
- 13.07 Corporate Planning
- 13.08 Regular Board Meeting

- AIDA / Irrigation Council Joint Meeting Wednesday, November 28th, Lethbridge [B. Chrumka]
- Municipal / Irrigation District Roundtable [date TBD], Lethbridge [R. Owen attendina]
 - Thursday, December 13th, 1:00 p.m. [I. Friesen, R. Volek]
 - Tuesday, December 18th, 9:00 a.m.
 - Thursday, December 20th, 5:00 p.m.
 - January 15 & 16, 2019
 - Tuesday, January 22, 2019, 9:00 a.m.
- B. Chrumka moved adjournment of the meeting at 4:37 p.m.

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Chairman

General Manager

December 18, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting

The Directors of the Eastern Irrigation District held a regular meeting on the 18th day of December, 2018. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Jason Hale	Director	[Division 1]
Mr. Jim Culligan	Director	[Division 2]
Mr. Ross Owen	Chair	[Division 3]
Mr. Rod Johnson	Director	[Division 4]
Mr. Tony Brummelhuis	Director	[Division 5]
Mr. Bob Chrumka	Vice-Chair	[Division 6]
[vacant]		[Division 7]

Mr. Ivan Friesen Mr. Kevin Bridges Mrs. Wendy Enns General Manager Assistant GM – Corporate Services Executive Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m.

1.0 Approval of Agenda

The following items were added to the agenda:

- 3.04 Brooks Medicine Hat Town Hall Meeting December 13th
- 6.03 Crawling Valley Campground
- 6.06 Engineering Contract Work

2018-12-488 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board adopt the Revised Agenda as amended. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.0 Approval of Minutes

2.01 November 27, 2018 Regular Directors Meeting

It was requested to amend the minutes by adding the following:

• 9.02.1, page 183, insert "per year" after "5%".

2018-12-489 Moved by J. Hale that the Minutes of the November 27, 2018 Regular Board Meeting be approved as corrected. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.0 Reports on Meetings / Events

3.01 2018 Water & Agriculture Conference – Crossfield, November 22nd

A report was submitted by Dan Buell, Land Administrator – Habitat, Wildlife & Access, who had attended the 2018 Water & Agriculture Conference in Crossfield on November 22nd. Representatives from government, nonprofit, and industry were in attendance; and presentations included climate variation, riparian buffers, wetlands management and water usage in beef production.

3.02 Crawling Valley Recreation Society Meeting – November 27th

J. Hale attended a Crawling Valley Recreation Society Meeting on November 27th, reporting that it was a really good year with the campground and marina being very well attended. The Society is planning on building a sports court near the playground; a written request is to be submitted. A

request was also presented for the District to consider an AIS trained, seasonal roving inspection employee. Mr. Friesen will investigate associated costs, qualifications, possible sniffer dog, etc. for this potential position.

3.03 Joint AIDA / Irrigation Council Meeting – Lethbridge, November 28th

Alberta Irrigation Districts Association met with Irrigation Council in Lethbridge on November 28th. B. Chrumka advised that feedback was being received for Irrigation Council's planning meetings and that every district had representation at this meeting. Notice was given to districts for the likelihood to plan for less government funding in the future. Jurisdiction on water quality matters, the desired support and relationship between districts and Council, and other issues pertaining to irrigated agriculture were addressed by representatives.

3.04 Brooks – Medicine Hat Town Hall Meeting – December 13th

R. Owen and J. Culligan attended the Brooks – Medicine Hat Town Hall Meeting in Brooks on December 13th. The meeting was well attended, although neither agriculture nor irrigation matters were discussed.

4.0 Business Arising

There were no matters raised.

5.0 Financial Report

K. Bridges presented the following Financial Report.

5.01 Financial Statements – November 30, 2018

The financial statements to November 30, 2018 were reviewed, noting the following overall:

- YTD revenues total about \$7.35 million and are over YTD budget.
- YTD net operating expenses total about \$1.6 million and are under YTD budget.
- YTD potential transfer to the Irrigation Works Fund is about \$5.75 million.

2019 revenues from amortization of deferred grants (approx. \$1 million) and 2019 amortization expenses (approx. \$3.1 million) have not been posted. A number of questions were responded to by administration.

2018-12-490 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board approve the Financial Statements to November 30, 2018, as presented. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.02 Brooks & District Health Foundation Pledge re Dialysis

As the dialysis funding campaign has been terminated due to provincial withdrawal of support, J. Culligan enquired whether any adjustments need to be made in the District's budget. It was agreed that as the EID had pledged their support, with funds to be released once the fundraising goal was achieved, there were no budgeting revisions necessary. It was also stated that the District may consider contributing to a similar project in the future.

[9:42 a.m. – 9:48 a.m. Short break; R. Gagley entered the meeting.]

6.0 Engineering

R. Gagley presented the following Engineering Report.

6.01 Project Status

The pipeline crews are on schedule, one completing 09-A Rolling Hills on December 11th, then moving to 11-H West Bantry; and the other beginning 09-A Springhill on January 7th after completing maintenance projects.

	EID CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS	
EARTHWORKS		
17 Bow Slope	- job complete, final cleanup remaining	
H West Bantry Canal	 surveyed, Board approved, detailed design complete, ROWs signed, construction 0% complete 	
PIPELINE		
11-H West Bantry	- surveyed, Board approved, detailed design complete, ROWs signed, construction 5% complete	
STRUCTURES		
18/19 Structure Program	- surveyed, Board approved, detailed design complete, ROWs n/a, construction 25% complete	
IRP PROJECTS		
EARTHWORKS		
09-A Rolling Hills	- job complete, final cleanup remaining	
09-A Springhill	- surveyed, Board approved, detailed design complete	

6.02 Information from Harold Brauer – Update

An update was given to the Board on the latest discussions with Mr. Brauer concerning the decommissioned ditch in NW 13-17-17 W4M.

6.03 Crawling Valley Campground

It was requested that precast and cast-in-place options for a possible additional boat launch at Crawling Valley Campground be investigated and brought back to the Board.

[10:02 a.m. R. Gagley exited the meeting.]

7.0 Equipment

7.01 Quotes on Purchase of ³/₄ and 1 Ton Trucks

I. Friesen presented quotes for the purchase of three ³/₄ ton, regular cab, long box trucks and one 5500 extended or crew cab and chassis truck.

Dealership	3 - ¾ Ton Regular Cab Long Box	1 – 5500 Extended Cab & Chassis	
Martin Chrysler Ltd. Brooks	[no pricing, unable to supply]	[no pricing, unable to supply]	
Davis Dodge Fort Macleod	\$34,899.00 [2018 pricing]	\$56,204.00 [2018 pricing]	
Sun City Ford Medicine Hat	\$37,464.00	\$61,842.00	

Harwood Ford Sales Brooks	\$37,871.25	\$64,444.25 [crew cab] \$63,400.25 [super cab]
Davis Chevrolet Brooks Brooks	\$34,561.00	[not available]

2018-12-491 Moved by R. Johnson that the District purchase:

- three ³/₄ ton regular cab long box trucks from Davis Chevrolet Brooks for \$34,561.00; and
- one 5500 extended cab and chassis from Sun City Ford, Medicine Hat for \$61,842.00. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[10:10 a.m. N. Fontaine and S. Connauton entered the meeting.]

8.0 Lands

8.01 Assessment, Water & Lands

S. Connauton presented the following Assessment, Water & Lands Report.

8.01.1 Farm Improvement Grant Applications

8.01.1.1 Budget Report

The Farm Improvement Grant Budget Report for October 1, 2018 to December 18, 2018 was presented as follows.

FARM IMPROVEMENT GRANT BUDGET REPORT	
2019 Farm Improvement Grant Budget as of October 1, 2018	\$4,000,000
Grants approved but not paid (<i>incomplete</i>) as of September 30, 2018 *	< \$1,694,485 > *
2019 Budget Remaining (if all grants paid out from last year)	\$2,305,515
Farm Improvement Grants	
October & November (approved and paid)	< \$ 75,268 >
December (require approval)	< \$ 34,900 >
Total Budget Remaining (if all grants paid out from last year)	\$2,195,347

*Of the \$1,694,485 total for approved but unpaid grants, \$1,577,499 remains to be paid in the 2019 fiscal year.

All Farm Improvement Grants are subject to a reduction of \$500/acre for any corner acres or acres kept outside the pivot area; and a reduction for any previous grants received on that parcel. For any irrigation acres which are returned to the District, the EID will pay \$1,000/acre. For infill irrigation acres purchased, the capital assets charge is \$300/acre. With proof of installation, applications will be considered on a 2 year retroactive basis; with any approvals based on the grant values at the time of installation.

<u>Conversions</u> (wheels, pivot, sub-surface)

The EID will pay up to \$100/irrigated acre for conversions, as per policy.

8.01.1.2 Flood to Pivot – Carol & Hugh Green – NW 05-20-14 W4M

Previous Motion:	2016-05-130; application resubmitted	
Current Assessment:	108 acres flood	
Converting:	108 acres flood to wiper pivot; 18 additional acres needed	
Conversion Acres Gained:	108 acres flood to pivot = 54 conversion acres allowable	
New Assessment:	126 acres, all under wiper pivot	
Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding		

2018-12-492 Moved by R. Johnson that motion 2016-05-130 be rescinded. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2018-12-493 Moved by R. Johnson that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Carol & Hugh Green for the conversion of 108 acres flood to pivot in NW 05-20-14 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$10,800 (108 acres x \$100/acre). The capital assets charge for 18 acres gained through efficiencies is \$5,400 (18 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

> <u>Upgrades</u> (panels, nozzles, drag hoses, pivots, pumps) Upon receipt, the EID will pay up to \$100/irrigated acre for upgrades, as per policy.

8.01.1.3 Pivot Replacement with Corner Arm – Helen Lengyel – NW 13-15-14 W4M

- Current Assessment: 149 acres (122 wiper pivot, 27 outside pivot)
- Installing: replacement pivot with corner arm
- Assessment remains the same at 149 acres (122 wiper pivot, 17 corner arm, 10 outside)
- Parcel has reached its maximum grant funding
- 2018-12-494 Moved by T. Brummelhuis that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Helen Lengyel for the replacement pivot and corner arm upgrade in NW 13-15-14 W4M purchased for \$157,411. The Farm Improvement Grant available and payable to the Landowner is \$12,200 (122 acres x \$100/acre) + \$11,900 (17 acres x \$700/acre) less \$5,000 (10 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$19,100. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.01.2 General Assessment Update

An update regarding the General Assessment review was detailed as follows:

- 3,481 parcels were reviewed; 2,319 required no change; 1,162 required changes
- 809 parcels have completed the process; 353 are in the process (under review, or waiting on paperwork, Farm Improvement grants, irrigation development, or soils testing)
- 1,814 acres were added to the assessment roll; 1,611 acres are yet to be added
- 483 acres were transferred to date of the 1,146 potential total

Further Board discussion is required for the General Assessment concerning non-compliant issues and permanent and removable encroachments.

[10:26 a.m. S. Connauton exited the meeting.]

8.02 Lands, Oil & Gas

N. Fontaine presented the following Lands, Oil & Gas Report.

8.02.1 Set Rates for Dirt, Land Spraying & Seismic

A recommendation for no increase to rates for land spraying, seismic and fill was presented. A number of questions were responded to by Mr. Fontaine. Directors requested that the topsoil rate be removed from the motion for standard rates and that the selling of topsoil only be considered in a case-by-case circumstance.

2018-12-495 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Oil & Gas rates for 2019 be set as:

- Land Spraying \$3,500/well;
- Seismic for Source Lines \$2,250/mile;
- Seismic for Receiver Lines \$1,450/mile;
- Seismic for off right-of-way access \$500/mile;
- Fill for Commercial Use \$7.00/m³ (fill material on District land must be obtained from an approved source on District land);
- Fill for Water Users \$3.00/m³; and
- Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.02.2 Request to Trade Land – Gutfriend – SE 01-14-14 W4M & Pt. W 1/2 06-14-13 W4M

A request was received from Brent & Susan Gutfriend to trade approx. 7.6 acres of land in Pt. W ¹/₂ 06-14-13 W4M for approx. 8.8 acres of EID land in SE 01-14-14 W4M. This request arises from the County approaching the landowners with the offer to close and sell the road allowance between the parcels which is being farmed, however, the closure would remove the legal access to SE 01 for the EID. Due to deep coulees, the existing fence veers off quarter section boundaries and allows for Gutfriends to utilize a portion of EID land, and vice versa. It is being proposed that a land trade would resolve both access and fencing issues. Cost estimates for survey, subdivision, consolidation and Land Titles Office fees were presented and discussed. It was directed to bring this matter back with additional information on the irrigated land and river frontage values.

[10:47 a.m. - 10:51 a.m. Short break; R. Volek entered the meeting.]

8.03 Grazing

R. Volek presented the following Grazing Report.

8.03.1 Report on GAC Meeting

A Grazing Advisory Committee Meeting was held December 13th to discuss the 2018 grazing season, 2019 cattle listings, grazing policy, JBS project and Kitsim pivots, along with other matters. Draft minutes of the meeting were provided to Directors. From the GAC Meeting, two recommendations were made to the EID Board as summarized below.

Discussion regarding grass conditions summarized that the north portion of the District has excellent carryover grass, however lower rainfall in the south regions during 2018 put some pressure on the reserve grass.

GAC18-11 Moved by B. Hall to recommend that the Board of Directors set the maximum number per member at 84, subject to possible revisions in the spring. Seconded by C. Harbinson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Additional clarity to the definition of residency within the grazing policy was requested, which would aid in the review of applications.

GAC18-12 Moved by D. Peltzer that a recommendation to the EID Board be made to add clarity to 3.1(d) of the Policy Governing Eligibility and Operation of Pastures on EID Lands to read that a new member must be a resident of the District by December 1st of the application year. Seconded by G. Andrew. CARRIED (10 in favour, 6 opposed)

Board discussion was held; the following motion was approved for further accuracy.

- 2018-12-496 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Policy Governing Eligibility and Operation of Pastures on EID Lands be amended by adding:
 - "A new member must be a resident of the District by December 1st of the year in which the application is submitted."

to the end of clause 3.1(d). Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

J. Culligan abstained from voting on the matter.

8.03.2 2019 Cattle Listings

Total cattle numbers at this point are slightly above last year, with membership remaining about the same.

2019 Cattle Numbers Summary – as of December 18, 2018					
Association	2018	2019	Difference	2018 Members	2019 Members
Bantry	594	614	+20	9	9
Bassano	1,080	1,055	-25	15	14
Duchess	1,327	1,390	+63	19	21
Eyremore	1,845	1,899	+54	24	24
Gem	2,788	2,831	+43	37	36
Newell	2,276	2,350	+74	31	31
Patricia	2,797	2,887	+90	38	38
Rolling Hills	1,217	1,441	+224	19	24
Rosemary	1,878	1,947	+69	30	29
Tilley	1,573	1,561	-12	27	25
Total	17,375	17,975	+600	249	251
Members				15 new	, 13 dropped out

8.03.3 Set Grazing Number Per Member

Pasture conditions are to be reappraised in the spring and, if necessary, the maximum numbers allotted members will be lowered.

2018-12-497 Moved by J. Hale that the maximum number of cow/calf pairs per member for the 2019 grazing season be set at 84 for full members, 56 for 2nd year members, and 28 for 1st year members. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.03.4 Request to Transfer PGL #7076 – Art Paetkau to Paul & Kristie Paetkau

Art Paetkau and Paul Paetkau currently each have 1/2 interests in Private Grazing Lease #7076. Art is requesting to transfer his 1/2 interest to Paul & Kristie Paetkau who meet all eligibility requirements.

2018-12-498 Moved by J. Hale that half interest of Private Grazing Lease #7076 be transferred from Art Paetkau to Paul & Kristie Paetkau. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2018-12-499 Moved by J. Culligan that the Board resolve into the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.03.5 Reservoir Right-of-Way Pasture Lands

[11:51 a.m. R. Volek exited the meeting.]

8.02 Lands, Oil & Gas cont'd.

8.02.3 Letter from Cardinal Energy Ltd.

[11:56 a.m. – 12:33 p.m. Lunch break; N. Fontaine exited the meeting, R. Moen entered.]

9.0 EIDNet Report

9.01 Monthly Report

9.02 Bandwidth Options

[1:00 p.m. R. Moen exited the meeting.]

[1:18 p.m. – 1:21 p.m. Short break; R. Gagley re-entered the meeting.]

6.0 Engineering cont'd.

- 6.04 Snake Lake Reservoir
- 6.05 Reservoir Pumping Scott Tateson
- 6.02 Information from Harold Brauer cont'd.
- 6.06 Engineering Contract Work

10.0 North Bantry Headgates

[2:45 p.m. – 2:47 p.m. Short break.]

11.0 Town of Bassano Storm Water Update

3.0 Reports on Meetings / Events cont'd.

3.04 Brooks – Medicine Hat Town Hall Meeting cont'd.

12.0 Corporate Planning – Draft Agenda

13.0 Annual Report Book

13.01 Annual Financial Statements – Related Party Transactions

2018-12-500 Moved by J. Culligan that the meeting be reconvened. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.0 Lands cont'd.

8.03.5 Reservoir Right-of-Way Pasture Lands cont'd.

A revised draft agreement is to be brought back to the Board for finalization and consideration of entering into agreements with the present owners of the specified adjacent lands.

8.02.3 Letter from Cardinal Energy Ltd. cont'd.

A letter was received from Cardinal Energy Ltd. requesting to meet with the Board. This request was denied.

9.0 EIDNet Report cont'd.

9.01 Monthly Report cont'd.

There have been no major issues since the last report.

9.02 Bandwidth Options cont'd.

Further information was provided to Directors.

6.0 Engineering cont'd.

- **6.04** Snake Lake Reservoir cont'd. This matter was reviewed and updated.
- **6.05 Reservoir Pumping Scott Tateson cont'd.** This matter was reviewed and it was the consensus to forward the letter in the New Year as drafted.

6.02 Information from Harold Brauer cont'd.

Direction was given to admin to forward a letter of response as per the following motion.

2018-12-501 Moved by B. Chrumka that Mr. Brauer be forwarded a letter stating that the Board's decision in March 2018, motion 2018-03-135 still stands; that there will be no further contribution by

the District; and that if the original offer is to be accepted, a response must be received in writing by the end of 10 business days. Seconded by R. Johnson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Upon receipt of the letter and in consideration of the holidays, the date for the end of 10 business days will be stated in the letter as January 11, 2019.

6.06 Engineering Contract Work cont'd.

District engineering requirements were reviewed.

10.0 North Bantry Headgates cont'd.

An update was given to Directors regarding North Bantry Headgates and direction received.

11.0 Town of Bassano Storm Water Update cont'd.

An update concerning the Town of Bassano Storm Water matter was given to the Board; consensus with the legal recommendation was gained.

3.0 Reports on Meetings / Events cont'd.

3.04 Brooks – Medicine Hat Town Hall Meeting cont'd.

Direction was given to invite Drew Barnes, MLA for Cypress – Medicine Hat to the EID for an orientation on general irrigation matters, to be conducted by District Admin.

12.0 Corporate Planning – Draft Agenda cont'd.

Agenda items and tour schedules were confirmed.

13.0 Annual Report Book cont'd.

13.01 Annual Financial Statements – Related Party Transactions cont'd.

The Related Party Transaction note in the Annual Report Book is to be given further clarity using the terms "Revenues <u>of the District</u>" and "Expenses <u>of the District</u>".

14.0 Upcoming Events

14.01	Scholarship Awards & Reception	- Thursday, December 20 th , 5:00 p.m.
		[R. Owen, B. Chrumka, J. Hale, R. Johnson, T. Brummelhuis,
		I. Friesen attending]
14.02	Municipal / Irrigation District Roundtab	le - [date TBD], Lethbridge [R. Owen attending]
14.03	Board Retreat / Corporate Planning	- January 15 & 16, 2019
14.04	Regular Board Meeting	- Tuesday, January 22, 2019, 9:00 a.m.
14.05	2019 AIDA Water Conference	- February 4-6, 2019, Calgary
		[R. Owen, B. Chrumka, J. Culligan, J. Hale, I. Friesen,

Eastern Irrigation District

14.06 Regular Board Meeting

R. Gagley, J. Kabut, R. Summach attending] - Tuesday, February 26, 2019, 9:00 a.m.

[3:58 p.m. I. Friesen, K. Bridges, R. Gagley and W. Enns exited the meeting.]

B. Chrumka moved adjournment of the meeting at 3:58 p.m.

Chairman

General Manager