

## **April 14, 2020 Organizational & Regular Directors Meetings**

The Directors of the Eastern Irrigation District held an organizational meeting and a regular meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Jason Hale	Director [Division 1]	Mr. Ivan Friesen	General Manager
Mr. David Peltzer	Director [Division 2]	Mr. Kevin Bridges	Assistant GM – Corporate Services
Mr. Ross Owen	Director [Division 3]	Mr. Marvin Koochin	Assistant GM – Legal & Corporate Services
Mr. Brian Schmidt	Director [Division 4]	Mrs. Wendy Enns	Executive Assistant
Mr. Don Jacobson	Director [Division 5]		
Mr. Bob Chrumka	Director [Division 6]		
Mr. Tracy Hemsing	Director [Division 7]		

### **ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

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

#### **1.0 Elections**

##### **1.01 Election of Chair**

I. Friesen congratulated the newly acclaimed and elected Directors, stepped in as chair and called for nominations for Board Chair.

#### **2020-04-093 Moved by T. Hemsing that J. Hale be nominated for Chair.**

Mr. Friesen called for nominations a second time.

#### **2020-04-094 Moved by D. Peltzer that R. Owen be nominated for Chair.**

Mr. Owen declined the nomination. Mr. Friesen called for nominations a third time. As no further nominations were accepted, J. Hale was elected Chair.

##### **1.02 Election of Vice-Chair**

J. Hale assumed the chair and called for nominations for Vice-Chair.

#### **2020-04-095 Moved by B. Schmidt that T. Hemsing be nominated for Vice-Chair.**

Mr. Hale called for nominations a second and third time. As no further nominations were placed, T. Hemsing was elected Vice-Chair.

#### **2.0 Appointments**

##### **2.01 Committee of the Whole**

All Directors are included on the Committee of the Whole.

**2.02 Alberta Irrigation Districts Association Executive**

T. Helsing was appointed as AIDA Representative; D. Peltzer will act as Alternate.

**2.03 Prairie Conservation Forum**

D. Peltzer will continue as PCF Representative.

**2.04 Crawling Valley Recreation Society**

J. Hale will continue as CVRS Representative.

**2.05 Joint Shared Services Committee**

B. Schmidt will continue as JSSC Representative; D. Jacobson will act as Alternate.

**2.06 MHC, Brooks Campus – Advisory Committee**

D. Jacobson was appointed as MHC, Brooks Campus Advisory Committee Representative.

**2.07 Scholarship Selection Committee**

All Directors and I. Friesen are included on the Scholarship Selection Committee.

**2.08 Watershed & Storage Committee**

All Directors and I. Friesen are included on the Watershed & Storage Committee.

**2.09 Newell Regional Tourism Association**

B. Schmidt was appointed as NRTA Representative.

**2020-04-096 Moved by B. Schmidt that the Board approve the appointments as stated. Seconded by R. Owen. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**REGULAR MEETING****1.0 Approval of Agenda**

It was requested that the Board develop an EID vision statement and mission statement, and that a resource person be brought in for a governance training session for Directors, administration and staff. It was also asked that the AGM item be addressed after Business Arising, rather than at the end of the meeting.

The following items were added to the agenda:

- 5.02 Water Delivery Date
- 8.02 EIDNet Fibre Project
- 9.01.1.1 Letters from Cor4 Oil Corp and Black Spur Oil Corp
- 11.0 Letter from Blaine Johnson
- 12.0 Snake Lake Reservoir

The following item was deferred to the May meeting:

- Farm Improvement Policy

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**2020-04-097 Moved by B. Schmidt that the Board adopt the Agenda as revised. Seconded by R. Owen. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **2.0 Approval of Minutes**

### **2.01 March 9, 2020 Regular Directors Meeting**

The minutes were accepted as presented.

**2020-04-098 Moved by T. Hemsing that the Minutes of the March 9, 2020 Regular Board Meeting be approved as presented. Seconded by B. Schmidt. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **2.02 April 3, 2020 Special Directors Meeting**

The minutes were accepted as presented.

**2020-04-099 Moved by D. Peltzer that the Minutes of the April 3, 2020 Special Board Meeting be approved as presented. Seconded by R. Owen. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **3.0 Business Arising**

There were no matters raised.

## **10.0 Annual General Meeting**

I. Friesen reviewed that at the March 10, 2020 Annual General Meeting, a motion was put forward by Wyatt Gutfriend, seconded by Tom Parker, to voice record the regular Directors meetings and post on the District website. A portion of the audience voted, resulting in 26 in favour and 13 opposed to the motion. Directors held a short discussion and Admin advised of the practicalities in facilitating the audio recording.

**2020-04-100 Moved by B. Schmidt that the EID monthly Board of Director Meetings be voice recorded and posted un-edited to the District website, so the public can hear the full discussions of the meetings. Seconded by D. Jacobson. CARRIED IN FAVOUR – J. Hale, T. Hemsing, B. Schmidt, D. Peltzer, D. Jacobson OPPOSED – B. Chrumka, R. Owen**

A Director requested that in response to Wayne Slenders' questions on District bylaw procedures, a summary explanation be placed on the website that explains the authority through the *Irrigation Districts Act, sec. 177* for irrigation districts to make bylaws. It was further suggested that this summary could also include a comment on the Board's responsibilities, differences between bylaw and policy development, and a comment regarding how the District's governance model works.

A Director brought back the comments heard at the AGM of the seasonal water transfer pilot project. Mr. Friesen reviewed that participation in transferring acre inch allocations across a farm link would require a maximum 18" average, not 24". The purpose of the pilot project is to obtain water user feedback and to test the water ordering and recording processes that would need to be modified to enable accurate water transfers. Although a couple individuals have indicated their willingness to

participate, Directors are to let I. Friesen know of any other water users which may be interested in this pilot project.

Lastly, for future AGMs, a Director suggested that questions from the floor either be directed to a particular director, or that the meeting Chair directs the question to a particular director or individual.

#### **4.0 Reports on Meetings / Events**

##### **4.01 Meeting with the Hon. Ric McIver, Minister of Transportation and Michaela Glasgo, MLA for Brooks-Medicine Hat**

Michaela Glasgo – MLA for Brooks-Medicine Hat facilitated a meeting with the Hon. Ric McIver – Minister of Transportation in Calgary on March 11<sup>th</sup> to discuss water storage options in the Bow Basin. Joining B. Chrumka was Richard Phillips – BRID GM, David McAllister – WID GM and Ray Kettenbach – WID Chair. An overview of all water storage opportunities was given, with a focus on Eyremore, Snake Lake and Delacour as the top 3 ranked projects. At her request, Mr. Friesen will be forwarding the presentation to MLA Glasgo for her distribution to other MLAs.

##### **2020-04-101 Moved by D. Peltzer that the Board resolve into the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by R. Owen. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

[9:59 a.m. – 10:04 a.m. Short break; R. Gagley entered the meeting.]

##### **10:00 a.m. Harold & Theresa Brauer – Decomm. Ditch in NW 13-17-17 W4M**

[10:26 a.m. H. & T. Brauer entered the meeting.]

[11:05 a.m. H. & T. Brauer exited the meeting.]

##### **11:30 a.m. Paul Barg, Sandy Bartman, Doug Barg – 01-C Springhill**

[11:47 a.m. – 11:52 a.m. Short break; P. Barg, D. Barg, S. Bartman and J. Kabut entered the meeting.]

[1:02 p.m. P. Barg, D. Barg and S. Bartman exited the meeting.]

[1:09 p.m. Short break; R. Gagly and J. Kabut exited the meeting; R. Volek and N. Fontaine entered.]

##### **1:15 p.m. JBS Conference Call – Request for Emergency Discharge**

[1:15 p.m. David Colwell – President of JBS Canada ULC; Celio Fritche – General Manager of JBS plant, Brooks; Cecilia Quintana Baez – Environmental Engineering Manager, Brooks; and Pat Gummeson – General Manager, MCF Feedyards joined the meeting via conference call.]

[1:40 p.m. D. Colwell, C. Fritche, C. Quintana Baez and P. Gummeson disconnected.]

##### **01-C Springhill cont'd.**

**2020-04-102 Moved by R. Owen that the meeting be reconvened. Seconded by B. Schmidt. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Direction Arising from the In-Camera Portion of the Meeting

**10:00 a.m. Harold & Theresa Brauer – Decomm. Ditch in NW 13-17-17 W4M**

Mr. Brauer will forward a letter to the Board outlining his specific requests.

**11:30 a.m. Paul Barg, Sandy Bartman, Doug Barg – 01-C Springhill**

After reconvening, a motion was carried under the Engineering Report.

**1:15 p.m. JBS Conference Call – Request for Emergency Discharge**

A letter from the Board will be forwarded to JBS Food Canada confirming the District's willingness to work with their request.

[2:14 p.m. – 2:34 p.m. Lunch break; R. Volek and N. Fontaine exited the meeting.]

Continuation of the Agenda

**5.0 Operations**

**5.01 Snowpack Report**

Snowpack levels for the Bow Basin are holding above or slightly below the upper quartile, with no drop recorded as of April 9<sup>th</sup>.

**5.02 Review of Water Delivery Date**

Due to diversion gates, canals and much of the infrastructure being frozen or full of snow, the May 8<sup>th</sup> date for earliest water delivery will be re-evaluated next week. Notice will be given to water users of the possibility of the date being delayed in some areas.

[2:49 p.m. R. Gagley and J. Kabut entered the meeting.]

**6.0 Engineering**

R. Gagley presented the following Engineering Report.

**01-C Springhill cont'd.**

Discussion continued from the in-camera portion of the meeting. Motion ~~2020-03-090~~ [rescinded by motion 2020-06-193] from the March 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting was upheld and included in the following motion which proposes 2 options for the 01-C Springhill rehabilitation. The water users must agree to the same option, either closed gravity pipeline or pressure pipeline, for supply of materials and to permit the project to be built as scheduled during the 2020/2021 construction year.

- ~~2020-04-103 Moved by B. Chrumka that the rehabilitation of 01-C Springhill be approved for:~~
- ~~• a closed gravity pipeline system for an estimated project cost of \$5,202,000; to be funded under the capital works program:
 
    - ~~○ with no cost to the landowners; or~~~~
  - ~~• a pressure pipeline system for an estimated \$5,012,000; to be funded under the capital works program:
 
    - ~~○ with the capital costs for the pumps and controls being recovered through the following surcharge and fees:
 
      - ~~• each customer served by the project will pay an additional surcharge and fee, as detailed below, in each year for 30 years following completion of the project:
 
        - ~~• for each irrigation acre, acre subject to a terminable agreement, or acre subject to an annual agreement, the surcharge will be \$11.50 per acre;~~
        - ~~• for each acre subject to a water conveyance agreement, the fee will be equivalent to \$11.50 per acre of irrigated land; and~~
        - ~~• for each household purposes agreement, rural water use agreement or other purposes agreement, the fee will be \$300.00 per agreement;~~~~
      - ~~○ the above noted surcharge and fees will be charged in addition to any other rate, fee, surcharge or other charge that may be applicable including the operation and maintenance surcharge and the electricity surcharge.~~~~~~

~~Seconded by D. Peltzer. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY [rescinded by motion 2020-06-193]~~

Mr. Gagley will notify the water users of the Board’s decision for rehabbing the system. Their decision will be brought to the May meeting.

**6.01 Project Status**

The 2019/2020 construction season is nearing completion with all capital projects in the ground and ready to run water. There is still a fair amount of cleanup on all large projects which is normal. Crews will finalize cleanup as the weather permits.

<b>EID CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS</b>	
<b>EARTHWORKS</b>	
West Bantry Canal	- 100% complete, final cleanup remains
<b>PIPELINE</b>	
E North Bantry	- 100% complete, final cleanup remains
U-02 Tilley Extension	- 100% complete, final cleanup remains
<b>STRUCTURES</b>	
19/20 Structure Program	- 60% complete
<b>IRP PROJECT</b>	
<b>EARTHWORKS</b>	
06 Bow Slope	- 100% complete

**6.02 Infrastructure Cost-Savings Grant – South Slope Feeders Ltd** (James Graham, George Graham, Gord Graham, John Graham, Joan Graham) – **Sec 13-16-16 W4M**

South Slope Feeders Ltd is proposing to convert Sec 13-16-16 W4M from flood to 4 corner arm pivots on the 06 Bow Slope pipeline project. The previous owner agreed to a reduction in flow, allowing the pipeline to be sized for pivots and not flood. Upon completion, these conversions qualify for a grant under the Infrastructure Cost-Savings Grant Policy for reduced costs to construction, and water efficiencies, at the time of a District rehabilitation project.

**2020-04-104 Moved by T. Hemsing that the Board approve the Infrastructure Cost-Savings Grants for South Slope Feeders Ltd for converting from flood to pivot in Sec 13-16-16 W4M at the time of the 06 Bow Slope pipeline project. The total grant payable to the Landowner is 4 x \$20,000 = \$80,000. Seconded by D. Jacobson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**6.03 Farm Improvement Infrastructure Grant – S & K Farms Ltd (Stephen & Kim Anderson)  
- S ½ 22-15-15 W4M**

S & K Farms Ltd is purchasing S ½ 22-15-15 W4M and is requesting that a pipeline lateral be installed for S ½ 22-15-15 W4M, removing 3 deliveries off the existing canal. Moving the delivery source to the pipeline would allow future savings for the District of approx. \$224,000 in automation and check structure costs. This project qualifies for an infrastructure grant under the Farm Improvement Policy, for improvement or reduction to the District's infrastructure on the Landowner's timeline. The pipeline is estimated to cost \$67,085; of which the EID by policy would pay 50/50 up to \$15,000 per quarter.

**2020-04-105 Moved by D. Peltzer that as per policy, and subject to the land transfer, the Board approve the Farm Improvement Infrastructure Grant for S & K Farms Ltd in S ½ 22-15-15 W4M, to be funded on a 50/50 cost-share basis up to \$15,000 per quarter EID share. The total project cost is \$67,085; of which the EID will pay \$30,000 and the Landowner will pay \$37,085. Seconded by D. Jacobson. CARRIED  
IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Hale, B. Schmidt, D. Peltzer  
OPPOSED – T. Hemsing, D. Jacobson**

[3:33 p.m. R. Gagley and J. Kabut exited the meeting; N. Lassiter entered.]

**7.0 Financial Report**

K. Bridges and N. Lassiter presented the following Financial Report.

**7.01 Financial Statements to February 29, 2020**

N. Lassiter presented the financial statements to February 29, 2020, noting the following overall:

- YTD revenues total about \$20.46 million and are tracking over YTD budget.
- YTD net operating expenses total about \$11.81 million and are tracking under YTD budget.
- YTD potential transfer to the Irrigation Works Fund is about \$8.65 million.

**2020-04-106 Moved by B. Schmidt that the Board approve the Financial Statements to February 29, 2020 as presented. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**7.02 Signing Officers & Officers of the Corporation Policy**

K. Bridges recommended that the Financial Services Supervisor be designated as a signing officer of the Eastern Irrigation District to fulfil the position's duties and responsibilities. The current signing officers of the District are the Chair, Vice-Chair, General Manager, Assistant General Manager(s), and

Manager of Special Projects. A draft Signing Officers & Officers of the Corporation Policy was presented with this addition for review.

**2020-04-107 Moved by R. Owen that the Signing Officers & Officers of the Corporation Policy be revised as presented. Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**7.03 Investment Policy**

A draft Investment Policy was also presented for review with the addition of Financial Services Supervisor included under the Portfolio Decision Making section.

**2020-04-108 Moved by B. Schmidt that the Investment Policy be revised as presented. Seconded by T. Hensing. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**7.04 Investment Account Resolution**

It was recommended to approve the following resolution to support the Signing Officers & Officers of the Corporation Policy and Investment Policy revisions.

**2020-04-109 Moved by D. Peltzer that one or more accounts in the name of the Eastern Irrigation District be opened and maintained with each of:**

- a) ATB Securities Inc.,
- b) Alberta Treasury Branches and ATB Financial,
- c) Bank of Montreal,
- d) Bank of Nova Scotia,
- e) BMO Nesbitt Burns Inc. and BMO Nesbitt Burns Ltd.,
- f) Connect First Credit Union Ltd. and Chinook Financial,
- g) Scotia Capital Inc. and ScotiaMcLeod,
- h) Servus Credit Union Ltd.,
- i) Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada and Sun Life Financial Trust Inc., and
- j) TD Securities Inc.

**And that any 2 of the District's signing officers be and are hereby authorized on behalf of the District to enter orders, give instructions, sign documents, buy, sell, withdraw assets and trade in bonds, stripped coupons, debentures, guaranteed investments, corporate securities and any other investments and/or securities and/or contracts relating thereto having a minimum investment grade rating as set out in the District's Investment Policy, by exchange or otherwise, for the account and risk of the District; and that the General Manager, an Assistant General Manager, the Manager of Special Projects or the Financial Services Supervisor be and are hereby authorized on behalf of the District to request and receive advice, quotations, offers and recommendations and to otherwise communicate with the District's financial institutions, brokers, investment advisors and managers; and the District hereby ratifies and confirms all and whatsoever that may be done by virtue of these authorizations;**

**And that any withdrawals from the said accounts shall be made payable only to the Eastern Irrigation District;**

**And that all of the above-listed actions carried out on behalf of the Eastern Irrigation District shall be valid and binding on the Eastern Irrigation District;**



And that these authorizations shall remain in full force and effect until written notice of revocation thereof shall have been filed by the Eastern Irrigation District with the appropriate branch of ATB Securities Inc.; Alberta Treasury Branches; ATB Financial; Bank of Montreal; Bank of Nova Scotia; BMO Nesbitt Burns Inc.; BMO Nesbitt Burns Ltd.; Connect First Credit Union Ltd.; Chinook Financial; Scotia Capital Inc.; ScotiaMcLeod; Servus Credit Union Ltd.; Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, Sun Life Financial Trust Inc. or TD Securities Inc.

Seconded by R. Owen. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**7.05 Bank of Nova Scotia Banking Resolution**

And particular to the Bank of Nova Scotia, approving the following resolution is required to support the Signing Officers & Officers of the Corporation Policy and Investment Policy revisions.

**2020-04-110 Moved by D. Peltzer that the Eastern Irrigation District hereby resolves that:**

- 1. The Bank of Nova Scotia (“Scotiabank”) be appointed as one of the Eastern Irrigation District’s bankers and that the Eastern Irrigation District agrees to the terms set out in the Scotiabank Financial Services Agreement or, where applicable, the Scotiabank Financial Services Agreement section of the Business Banking Services Agreement.**
- 2. Any two of the following persons are authorized to sign and deliver for the Eastern Irrigation District the Scotiabank Financial Services Agreement, any service requests and any other banking agreements with Scotiabank:**

<b>Chairman</b>	<b>Vice Chairman</b>	<b>General Manager</b>
<b>Manager Special Projects</b>	<b>Assistant General Manager</b>	<b>Financial Services Supervisor</b>

- 3. The persons and the required combination of those persons the Eastern Irrigation District verifies are the persons authorized and the combination of those persons required to give instructions, verifications and approvals on our behalf from time to time. The Eastern Irrigation District will provide this verification by a certificate in writing given to Scotiabank by any two of the officers set out below. The most recent certificate given to Scotiabank or The Bank of Nova Scotia will be the current certificate in effect:**

<b>Chairman</b>	<b>Vice Chairman</b>	<b>General Manager</b>
<b>Manager Special Projects</b>	<b>Assistant General Manager</b>	<b>Financial Services Supervisor</b>

- 4. All instructions, agreements and documents which the Eastern Irrigation District signs, makes, draws, accepts, endorses or completes and which are signed by the persons the Eastern Irrigation District has authorized from time to time are valid and binding on Eastern Irrigation District. The Eastern Irrigation District’s seal is not required on any written document to make it valid or to show consideration.**
- 5. This resolution remains in effect until the Eastern Irrigation District cancels it by written notice to Scotiabank and Scotiabank has acknowledged receiving the notice.**

Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[3:54 p.m. N. Lassiter exited the meeting; R. Moen entered.]

**8.0 EIDNet**

K. Bridges and R. Moen presented the following EIDNet Report.

**8.01 Monthly Report**

Since the beginning of March bandwidth per tower has increased 41.3% on average. This demand is due to many people working from home and students doing remote learning using applications that have a much higher demand for bandwidth. Although some adjustments had to be made to sectors in order to accommodate the increase in bandwidth, the network overall has been able to handle the increased demand. However, a moratorium on installs and upgrades is still in place for Duchess and Rosemary, those areas seeing the effects of the draw on the service in system hesitations and retries. Customer waiting lists for those areas are being maintained. Engineering of a fibre path between Brooks, One Tree, Duchess and Rosemary towers is in progress. Agreements have been sent out to landowners and negotiations are ongoing.

<b>1<sup>st</sup> QUARTER EIDNET REPORT</b>	
<b>EIDNet Accounts</b>	<b>Current Customers</b>
Legacy Residential Accounts	63
Residential Accounts	1,710
Business Accounts	21
EID Automation	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,798</b>

**8.02 Fibre Project**

At the beginning of the meeting D. Jacobson requested that the EIDNet fibre project be added to the agenda. A review of the project will be brought to the May meeting.

[3:58 p.m. R. Moen exited the meeting; N. Fontaine entered.]

**9.0 Lands**

**9.01 Lands, Oil & Gas**

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

**9.01.1 Oil & Gas Mid-Year Summary – October 1, 2019 to April 9, 2020**

Mr. Fontaine responded to questions and presented the Oil & Gas Mid-Year Summary as follows. A definite downturn in activity had occurred prior to COVID-19; it has slowed even more so since.

<b>Oil &amp; Gas Activity Report</b>	
<b>New Activity – October 1, 2019 to April 4, 2020</b>	
New Locations	13
Twinned Wells	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>

Pipelines	16.28 acres or 2.73 miles
Seismic Permits	2 programs completed in late fall
<b>Abandoned &amp; Reclaimed – October 1, 2019 to April 4, 2020</b>	
Abandonment Notifications	30 (11 Torxen, 8 CNRL, 6 Bonavista, 5 Cardinal)
Abandoned Twinned Wells	3 ( 3 Torxen)
Reclamation Certificates	11 ( 5 CNRL, 2 Cor4, 4 Torxen)
Canceled Locations	-

**9.01.1.1 Letters from Cor4 Oil Corp and Black Spur Oil Corp**

Letters were received from Cor4 Oil Corp. and Blackspur Oil Corp. requesting a 15% decrease in surface lease compensation payments. These requests, current and foreseeable industry activity, impact to area private landowners, District consultant’s advice, and application results through the Surface Rights Board were discussed. It was the consensus of the Board to not accept the proposals.

**9.01.2 County Land Purchase – NW 08-19-11 W4M**

This item was brought back from the January meeting. The County of Newell is offering for sale a 10 acre parcel of land in NW 08-19-11 W4M received through tax recovery. The parcel is a reclaimed well site, located within the Patricia Grazing Association. The County is now offering to sell the parcel for \$1.00 and receive a credit of 10 acres on future land acquisitions with the District. To complete the sale with no credit reservation, the following motion was carried.

**2020-04-11 Moved by T. Helsing that the District purchase the 10 acre parcel of land in NW 08-19-11 W4M from the County of Newell for \$2,470/acre = \$24,700. Seconded by B. Schmidt. CARRIED  
IN FAVOUR – B. Chrumka, R. Owen, J. Hale, B. Schmidt, T. Helsing, D. Jacobson  
OPPOSED – D. Peltzer**

**9.01.3 Campgrounds Update**

Due to the provincial rules and recommendations in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, EID administration and staff have chosen to close the Rolling Hills Reservoir Campground and corresponding 2020 seasonal camping draw. The campground will remain closed until the Alberta Government or the Chief Medical Officer of Health have deemed campgrounds safe to open. If this occurs during the 2020 camping season, RHRC will be open for daily camping only. Crawling Valley Recreation Society has chosen to follow the direction of the EID. RHRC managers and summer students will remain employed during the closure working on regular campground maintenance and improvement projects; summer students will assist at CVC as well. It is anticipated to have the boat launches at both campgrounds open and monitored by staff to prevent random watercraft access to the reservoirs. Increased surveillance of shorelines has been requested of County Constables; staff are also evaluating additional signage. N. Fontaine advised that the province has closed public access to Kinbrook Island Provincial Park and boat launch, however Lake Newell Resort Marina will be open.

[4:22 p.m. N. Fontaine exited the meeting; R. Volek entered.]

**9.02 Grazing**

R. Volek presented the following Grazing Report.

**9.02.1 GAC Recommendations**

To facilitate the regular spring Grazing Advisory Committee meeting, agenda items needing input were forwarded to GAC reps for them to give direction and finalize preparation of the 2020 grazing season. Responses were received from all 10 grazing associations.

**9.02.1.1 Set Turn-Out Date**

With the cool spring, it is anticipated that pasture growth will be 1-2 weeks delayed although moisture received should allow normal growth for the beginning of the season. GAC consensus was to allow May 1<sup>st</sup> and May 15<sup>th</sup> turn-out dates, with Associations delaying entry as applicable to conditions in their areas. The May 1<sup>st</sup> date is to allow grazing of Russian Rye regrass areas that are most suitably grazed at the earlier part of the season.

**2020-04-112 Moved by T. Hensing that the Cattle Grazing Turn-Out Date for regrass/tame pasture be May 1<sup>st</sup> and for native pasture be May 15<sup>th</sup>. Seconded by R. Owen. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.02.1.2 Review Maximum Grazing Listing per Member**

At the December meeting, the following motion was carried:

*2019-12-316 Moved by J. Hale that the maximum number of cow/calf pairs per member for the 2020 grazing season be set at 70 for full members, 47 for 2<sup>nd</sup> year members, and 23 for 1<sup>st</sup> year members; pending a review of pasture conditions in the spring. Seconded by T. Brummelhuis. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY*

Associations have reviewed pasture conditions, seeing potential spring pasture growth to be near normal and current placements of cattle as acceptable for the 2020 season, based on the 70 head maximum listing. Board consensus supported this recommendation.

**9.02.1.3 Proposed Reseeding Project – Newell Grazing**

At the December GAC meeting, a potential reseeded project for Newell Grazing was discussed. This 1,720 acre parcel located in Pt W ½ 25, Sec 26, Sec 35 & W ½ 36-16-14 W4M was initially seeded in the 1970's. Over the last several years the grass production has been very low and grazing is limited. The mainly Russian Rye grass stand is only palatable for a brief time early in the spring and late in the fall. Consensus was favourable to consider the project, subject to a review of the costs and reseeded plan at the spring GAC meeting. After a review of the information this spring, GAC reps supported proposing the reseeded project to the Board; estimated project cost of \$230,000. It was further recommended that a portion, or all, of the Internally Restricted Fund for Pasture Development (\$166,354.00) be utilized, as this project was not included in the 2019/2020 budget.

Through Board discussion it was agreed to approve the project, fully utilize the Internally Restricted Fund for Pasture Development, with the balance and corresponding amortization to be recovered through the Community Grazing Rate. Amortization of the Fund allotment will be recovered through the District's general revenue. The following pasture blend will be used, with some introduction of Milkvetch once available.

Pasture Blend

- 61% Meadow Bromegrass
- 20% Pubescent Wheatgrass
- 19% Tall Fescue
- 1 lb/acre Annual Ryegrass

**2020-04-113 Moved by T. Hemsing that the Board approve the Newell Grazing pasture reseeding project to reseed 1,720 acres in Pt W ½ 25, Sec 26, Sec 35 & W ½ 36-16-14 W4M for an estimated project cost of \$230,000; with all funds from the Internally Restricted Fund for Pasture Development being applied to the project cost. Seconded by D. Peltzer. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

[4:42 p.m. – 4:46 p.m. Short break; R. Volek exited the meeting; S. Connauton entered.]

**9.03 Assessment, Water & Lands**

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

**9.03.1 Assessment Report to March 31, 2020**

The Assessment Report for the period of January 1, 2020 to March 31, 2020 was presented, summarized as follows.

<b>EID WATER ROLL</b>					
<b>Acres on the Water Roll</b>	<b>Irrigation Acres</b>	<b>Terminable Acres</b>	<b>Annual Agreement</b>	<b>5R Soils Acres</b>	<b>Total</b>
January 1, 2020	302,168	3,637	39	15	305,859
March 31, 2020	303,075	3,637	39	15	306,766
Net increase	907	0	0	0	907
<b>Irrigation Acres Removed from the Water Roll</b> (acres sold back for new subdivisions or part of Farm Improvement)					< 2 >
<b>Irrigation Acres Added to the Water Roll</b> (acres purchased through Irrigation Dev. App. or Farm Improvement efficiencies)					909
Terminable Acres Converted to Irrigation Acres					0
Terminable Acres Canceled					0

Of the 311,000 acre expansion limit, 306,727 irrigation acres are on the roll, and 39 irrigation acres are currently under Annual Agreement.

**9.03.2 Farm Improvement Grant and Increase in Irrigation Acres Applications**

**9.03.2.1 Budget Report**

The Monthly Farm Improvement Grant Budget Report was presented as follows.

<b>FARM IMPROVEMENT GRANT BUDGET – MONTHLY REPORT</b>	
<b>2020 Farm Improvement Grant Budget as of October 1, 2019</b>	<b>\$2,000,000</b>
Grants approved but not paid ( <i>incomplete</i> ) as of September 30, 2019 *	< \$ 947,648 > *
2020 Budget Remaining ( <i>if all grants paid out from last year</i> )	\$1,052,352
<b>Farm Improvement Grants</b>	
October through March ( <i>approved and paid</i> )	< \$ 319,122 >
April ( <i>require approval</i> )	< \$ 48,300 >
<b>Total Budget Remaining (<i>if all grants paid out from last year</i>)</b>	<b>\$ 684,930</b>

\*Of the \$947,648 total for approved but unpaid grants, \$702,220 remains to be paid in the 2020 fiscal year.

\*\*Total grants paid to date within the 2020 fiscal year is \$564,550.

**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 \$2,500/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.

**Conversions** (*wheels, pivot, sub-surface*)

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

**9.03.2.2 Flood to Pivot – C & L Beasley Cattle (2014) Ltd** (Carl Beasley and Lee Beasley)

– E ½ 17-20-12 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 162 acres flood
- Current Assessment: 136 acres flood (26 acres transferred out for general assessment)
- Converting: 130 acres flood to pivot; keeping 6 acres outside the pivot area
- New Assessment: 136 acres (130 pivot, 6 outside)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding

**2020-04-114 Moved by R. Owen that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for C & L Beasley Cattle (2014) Ltd. for the conversion of 130 acres flood to pivot in E ½ 17-20-12 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$13,000 (130 acres x \$100/acre) less \$3,000 (6 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$10,000. Seconded by T. Hemsing. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Upgrades** (*panels, nozzles, drag hoses, pivots, pumps*) and **Corner Irrigation** (*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.

**9.03.2.3 Pump & Nozzles – Anchor H Farms Ltd** (Herbe & Holly Torkelson) – Pt SW 26-20-15 W4M

- Current Assessment: 89 acres (83 wiper pivot, 6 outside)
- Installing: pump & nozzles; keeping 6 acres outside pivot area
- Assessment remains the same at 89 acres (83 wiper pivot, 6 outside)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding

**2020-04-115 Moved by T. Hemsing that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Anchor H Farms Ltd for the pump and nozzles upgrade in Pt SW 26-20-15 W4M purchased for \$13,087. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$8,300 (83 acres x \$100/acre) less \$3,000 (6 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$5,300. Seconded by D. Peltzer. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.4 Pivot Replacement – Ronald & Michelle Gietz – W ½ 12-18-14 W4M**

- Current Assessment: 180 acres (134 pivot, 46 flood)
- Installing: pivot replacement; 46 acre separate flood field
- Assessment remains the same at 180 acres (134 pivot, 46 flood field)
- Pivot area has reached its maximum grant funding

**2020-04-116 Moved by D. Peltzer that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Ronald & Michelle Gietz for the pivot replacement in W ½ 12-18-14 W4M purchased for \$98,565. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$13,400 (134 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by R. Owen. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.5 Corner Pivot – Richard & Esther Wiens – Pt S ½ 11-21-16 W4M**

- Current Assessment: 89 acres (74 wiper pivot, 15 corner)
- Installing: corner pivot; keeping 2 acres outside pivot areas
- Assessment remains the same at 89 acres (74 wiper pivot, 13 corner pivot, 2 outside)
- Pivot areas have reached maximum grant funding

**2020-04-117 Moved by B. Schmidt that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Richard & Esther Wiens for the corner pivot in Pt S ½ 11-21-16 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$9,100 (13 acres x \$700/acre) less \$1,000 (2 acres x \$500/acre) deduction for keeping acres outside the pivot area = \$8,100. Seconded by D. Peltzer. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Increase in Irrigation Acres – Applications **RECEIVED BY** January 29, 2020

**Complete Increase in Irrigation Acres Applications Received by January 29, 2020**

Conversion from terminable to irrigation acres, the capital assets charge is \$100/acre. For infill and efficiency acres purchased, the capital assets charge is \$300/acre, up to 50 irrigation acres per parcel; and \$700/acre in excess of the 50 irrigation acres per parcel. For new acres added to a dry parcel the capital assets charge is \$700/acre.

**9.03.2.6 Brad & Lisa Calvert – NW 15-17-16 W4M**

- Previous Assessment: 30 acres
- Current Assessment: 33 acres wiper pivot (3 acres added for general assessment)
- Proposal: 60 acre pivot; 60 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: flood to pivot on E ½ 20-17-16 W4M; 146 acres x 1.5 = 73 conversion acres allowable
- New Assessment: 93 acres, all under pivot
- Notes: subject to soil testing requirements and parcel being served from existing #6041 turnout in NE 15

**2020-04-118 Moved by R. Owen that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Brad & Lisa Calvert for 60 new acres, gained through conversion efficiencies from flood to pivot on E ½ 20-17-16 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$42,000 (60 acres x \$700/acre). Seconded by B. Schmidt. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.7 Chinook Cattle Co Inc (Kelsey & Malissa Campbell) – various**

The Landowner has converted 6 various parcels from flood and wheels to pivot and is requesting that all acres outside of all pivots be transferred to complete various projects. Operations has no concerns.

**2020-04-119 Moved by R. Owen that the Board approve the transfer of:**

- **4 acres from NE 24-20-14 W4M to SE 23-20-14 W4M;**
- **4 acres from NW 19-20-13 W4M to SW 24-20-14 W4M;**

- **3 acres from NW 02-21-14 W4M to NW 24-20-14 W4M; and**
  - **45 acres from NE 24-20-14 W4M to NW 24-20-14 W4M.**
- all lands being owned by Chinook Cattle Co Inc. Seconded by D. Peltzer. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Pt SE 23, SW 24, NW 24 & NE 24-20-14

- Previous Assessment: 122 acres
- Current Assessment: 133 acres (11 acres transferred in, motion 2020-04-119)
- Proposal: 3 small wiper pivots; 66 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: 667 acres flood and wheels to pivot (6 various locations); 667 acres x various = 234 conversion acres allowable
- New Assessment: 199 acres, all under pivot
- Notes: finalization of conversion acres required by April 30, 2021

**2020-04-120 Moved by R. Owen that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Chinook Cattle Co Inc for 66 infill and new acres, gained through conversion efficiencies from flood and wheels to pivot on various locations. The capital assets charge is \$15,000 (50 acres x \$300/acre) + \$11,200 (12 acres x \$700/acre) = \$26,200. Seconded by D. Peltzer. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2020-04-121 Moved by R. Owen that the Board approve the registration of an Irrigable Unit on Pt SE 23, SW 24, NW 24 & NE 24-20-14; all lands being owned by Chinook Cattle Co Inc. Seconded by T. Hemsing. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.8 Adam Douglass – NW 17-23-16 W4M**

- Previous Assessment: 125 acres
- Current Assessment: 128 acres wiper pivot (3 acres added for general assessment)
- Proposal: corner arm addition; 17 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: 0
- New Assessment: 145 acres, all under corner arm wiper pivot

**2020-04-122 Moved by B. Schmidt that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Adam Douglass for 17 infill acres on NW 17-23-16 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$5,100 (17 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by D. Peltzer. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.9 John & Molly Douglass – NE 18-24-15 W4M**

- Current Assessment: 120 acres wiper pivot
- Proposal: move pivot stop; 2 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: 0
- New Assessment: 122 acres, all under wiper pivot

**2020-04-123 Moved by T. Hemsing that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for John & Molly Douglass for 2 infill acres on NE 18-24-15 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$600 (2 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by B. Schmidt. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



**9.03.2.10 Brody Ketchmark – SE 35-17-17 W4M and John & Teena Ketchmark – NW 29-17-16 W4M**SE 35-17-17 W4M

- Current Assessment: 123 acres flood and wheels
- Converting: 115 acres flood and wheels to pivot; (8 acres to be transferred to NW 29-17-16 W4M, Operations has no concerns)
- New Assessment: 115 acres, all under wiper pivot
- After transfer, parcel has reached its maximum grant funding

**2020-04-124 Moved by T. Hemsing that the Board approve the Farm Improvement for Brody Ketchmark for the conversion of 115 acres flood and wheels to pivot in SE 35-17-17 W4M. The Farm Improvement Grant payable to the Landowner is \$11,500 (115 acres x \$100/acre). Seconded by D. Peltzer. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2020-04-125 Moved by R. Owen that upon the land transfer of NW 29-17-16 W4M to Brody Ketchmark, the Board approve the transfer of 8 irrigation acres from SE 35-17-17 W4M, lands being owned by Brody Ketchmark, to NW 29-17-16 W4M, lands currently being owned by John & Teena Ketchmark. Seconded by T. Hemsing. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

NW 29-17-16 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 0 acres
- Current Assessment: 8 acres flood (8 acres transferred in, motion 2020-04-125)
- Proposal: 51 acre wiper pivot; 43 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: flood and wheels to pivot (115 acres in SE 35-17-17 W4M and 8 acres in NW 29-17-16 W4M);  $123 \text{ acres} \times 1.35 = 43$  conversion acres allowable
- New Assessment: 51 acres, all under wiper pivot
- Notes: subject to land transfer

**2020-04-126 Moved by B. Schmidt that upon the land transfer of NW 29-17-16 W4M to Brody Ketchmark, the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for 43 new acres gained through conversion efficiencies from flood and wheels to pivots in SE 35-17-17 W4M and NW 29-17-16 W4. The capital assets charge is \$30,100 (43 acres x \$700/acre). Seconded by R. Owen. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.11 Frederick (Norman) & Sheila Musgrove – SE 31-20-12 W4M**

- Current Assessment: 84 acres (51 south pivot, 33 flood)
- Proposal: 66 acre wiper pivot; 33 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: flood to pivot;  $33 \text{ acres} \times 1.4 = 13$  conversion acres allowable; 20 infill acres needed
- New Assessment: 117 acres, all under pivot (51 south pivot, 66 north wiper pivot)

**2020-04-127 Moved by R. Owen that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Frederick (Norman) & Sheila Musgrove for 13 efficiency acres gained through conversion from flood to pivot in SE 31-20-12 W4M, plus 20 infill acres. The capital assets charge is \$9,900 (33 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by T. Hemsing. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.12 Carl Scheibner – S ½ 07-23-16 W4M**

- Previous Assessment: 182 acres wheels and flood
- Current Assessment: 193 acres (11 acres added through the general assessment)
- Proposal: 251 acre wiper pivot; 58 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: wheels and flood to pivot; 182 acres x 1.35 = 64 conversion acres allowable
- New Assessment: 251 acres, all under wiper pivot
- Notes: subject to soils testing requirements and delivery off North Branch

**2020-04-128 Moved by D. Peltzer that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Carl Scheibner for 58 efficiency acres gained through conversion from wheels and flood to pivot in S ½ 07-23-16 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$15,000 (50 acres x \$300/acre) + \$5,600 (8 acres x \$700/acre) = \$20,600. Seconded by B. Schmidt. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.13 Cliff Sewall – SE 22-18-16 W4M**

- Previous Assessment: 78 acres
- Current Assessment: 89 acres flood (11 acres added in 1982)
- Proposal: 136 acre pivot; 47 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: flood to pivot; 89 acres x 1.35 = 31 conversion acres allowable; 16 infill acres needed
- New Assessment: 136 acres, all under pivot

**2020-04-129 Moved by T. Hemsing that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Cliff Sewall for 31 efficiency acres gained through conversion from flood to pivot in SE 22-18-16 W4M, plus 16 infill acres. The capital assets charge is \$14,100 (47 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by R. Owen. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.14 Justin Tateson – NW 04-15-15 W4M**

- Current Assessment: 112 acres pivot
- Proposal: infill of existing pivot; 20 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: 0
- New Assessment: 132 acres, all under pivot

**2020-04-130 Moved by T. Hemsing that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Justin Tateson for 20 infill acres in NW 04-15-15 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$6,000 (20 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by B. Schmidt. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.15 Clifford & Melanie Walde – S ½ 13-22-17 W4M**

- Current Assessment: 126 acres pivot
- Proposal: corner arm addition; 31 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: 0
- New Assessment: 157 acres, all under corner arm pivot
- Notes: project finalization required by April 30, 2021

**2020-04-131 Moved by R. Owen that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Clifford & Melanie Walde for 31 infill acres in S ½ 13-22-17 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$9,300 (31 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by B. Schmidt. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.16 Donald & Karen Walde – Pt NW 09-23-16 W4M**

- Current Assessment: 37 acres flood
- Proposal: 65 acre wiper pivot; 28 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: flood to pivot; 37 acres x 1.35 = 13 conversion acres allowable; 15 infill acres needed
- New Assessment: 65 acres, all under wiper pivot
- Notes: project finalization required by April 30, 2021

**2020-04-132 Moved by T. Hemsing that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Donald & Karen Walde for 13 efficiency acres gained through conversion from flood to pivot in Pt NW 09-23-16 W4M, plus 15 infill acres. The capital assets charge is \$8,400 (47 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by D. Peltzer. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.17 Cole Webb – NE 19-17-13 W4M**

- Previous Assessment: 91 acres (2 acres returned for subdivision consent)
- Current Assessment: 89 acres wheels
- Proposal: 106 acre pivot; 17 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: wheels to pivot; 70 acres x 1.15 = 10 conversion acres allowable  
flood to pivot; 19 acres x 1.5 = 9 conversion acres allowable
- New Assessment: 106 acres, all under pivot
- Notes: project finalization required by April 30, 2021

**2020-04-133 Moved by T. Hemsing that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Cole Webb for 17 efficiency acres gained through conversion from wheels and flood to pivot in NE 19-17-13 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$5,100 (17 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by B. Schmidt. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.18 Lawrence Wiebe – SW 21-21-16 W4M**

- Current Assessment: 122 acres flood
- Proposal: 134 acre pivot; 12 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: flood to pivot; 122 acres x 1.4 = 49 conversion acres allowable
- New Assessment: 134 acres, all under pivot
- Notes: project finalization required by April 30, 2021

**2020-04-134 Moved by D. Peltzer that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Lawrence Wiebe for 12 efficiency acres gained through conversion from flood to pivot in SW 21-21-16 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$3,600 (12 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by R. Owen. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.19 Albert & Frieda Zagorsky and Mark Zagorsky – NW 11-18-14 W4M**

- Current Assessment: 138 acres pivot
- Proposal: corner arm addition; 11 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: 0
- New Assessment: 149 acres, all under pivot

**2020-04-135 Moved by D. Peltzer that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Albert & Frieda Zagorsky and Mark Zagorsky for 11 infill acres in NW 11-18-14 W4M. The**

**capital assets charge is \$3,300 (11 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by T. Hemsing. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.20 Alex & Ellen Zagorsky – SE 24-17-14 W4M**

- Current Assessment: 131 acres flood
- Proposal: 145 acre corner arm pivot; 14 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: 131 acres x 1.22 = 29 acres allowable
- New Assessment: 145 acres, all under corner arm pivot

**2020-04-136 Moved by T. Hemsing that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Alex & Ellen Zagorsky for 14 efficiency acres gained through conversion from flood to pivot in SE 24-17-14 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$4,200 (14 acres x \$300/acre). Seconded by B. Chrumka. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Increase in Irrigation Acres – Applications **RECEIVED AFTER** January 29, 2020

**Complete Increase in Irrigation Acres Applications Received After January 29, 2020**

Conversion from terminable to irrigation acres, the capital assets charge is \$250/acre. For infill and efficiency acres purchased, the capital assets charge is \$750/acre, up to 50 irrigation acres per parcel; and \$1,750/acre in excess of the 50 irrigation acres per parcel. For new acres added to a dry parcel the capital assets charge is \$1,750/acre.

**9.03.2.21 Carter & Darlene Curran – NE 27-19-14 W4M**

- Previous Assessment: 43 acres wiper pivot
- Current Assessment: 45 acres (2 acres added through general assessment)
- Proposal: moving pivot stop; 31 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: 0
- New Assessment: 76 acres, all under wiper pivot
- Notes: subject to soils testing requirements

**2020-04-137 Moved by D. Peltzer that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Carter & Darlene Curran for 31 infill acres in NE 27-19-14 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$23,250 (31 acres x \$750/acre). Seconded by R. Owen. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.22 Garry & Jerri Fletcher – NW 16-20-13 W4M**

- Previous Assessment: 50 acres flood
- Current Assessment: 89 acres (25 acres added through conversion and 14 transferred)
- Proposal: moving pivot stop; 24 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: 0
- New Assessment: 113 acres, all under wiper pivot
- Notes: subject to retesting 15 acres of 5R soils in 2025/2030

**2020-04-138 Moved by R. Owen that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Garry & Jerri Fletcher for 24 infill acres in NW 16-20-13 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$18,000 (24 acres x \$750/acre). Seconded by T. Hemsing. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.23 Pedro & Justina Giesbrecht – NE 17-14-13 W4M**

- Previous Assessment: 134 acres
- Current Assessment: 136 acres pivot (2 acres added for general assessment)
- Proposal: corner arm addition; 19 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: 0
- New Assessment: 155 acres, all under corner arm pivot

**2020-04-139 Moved by T. Helsing that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Pedro & Justina Giesbrecht for 19 infill acres in NE 17-14-13 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$14,250 (19 acres x \$750/acre). Seconded by B. Schmidt. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.24 Pedro & Justina Giesbrecht – SE 18-14-13 W4M**

- Current Assessment: 133 acres pivot
- Proposal: corner arm addition; 10 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: 0
- New Assessment: 143 acres, all under corner arm pivot

**2020-04-140 Moved by T. Helsing that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Pedro & Justina Giesbrecht for 10 infill acres in SE 18-14-13 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$7,500 (10 acres x \$750/acre). Seconded by B. Schmidt. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.25 Nels & Betty Pedersen, Derek Pedersen – S ½ 02-15-15 W4M, N ½ 13 & SE 24-16-16 W4M**

The Landowners are requesting to transfer all acres outside of the pivots on SE 24-15-16 W4M and S ½ 02-15-15 W4M to NW 13-15-16 W4M for a proposed pivot. Operations has no concerns.

**2020-04-141 Moved by T. Helsing that the Board approve the transfer of:**

- **6 acres from SE 24-15-16 W4M, lands being owned by Nels & Betty Pedersen and Derek Pedersen; and**
- **2 acres from S ½ 02-15-15 W4M, lands being owned by Nels Pedersen and Derek Pedersen to N ½ 13-15-16 W4M, lands being owned by Nels & Betty Pedersen and Derek Pedersen. Seconded by D. Jacobson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- Previous Assessment: 55 acres flood
- Current Assessment: 63 acres flood (8 acres transferred in, motion 2020-04-141)
- Proposal: 89 acre pivot; 26 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: flood to pivot, 63 acres x 1.4 = 25 conversion acres allowable; 1 infill acre needed
- New Assessment: 89 acres, all under pivot
- Notes: subject to soils testing requirements

**2020-04-142 Moved by T. Helsing that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Nels & Betty Pedersen and Derek Pedersen for 25 efficiency acres gained through conversion from flood to pivot, plus 1 infill acre in N ½ 13-15-16 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$19,500 (26 acres x \$750/acre). Seconded by D. Jacobson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.26 South Slope Feeders Ltd** (James Graham, George Graham, Gordon Graham, John Graham, Joan Graham)

Sec 13-16-16 W4M

- Current Assessment: 504 acres flood
- Proposal: 4 quarter section, corner arm pivots; 98 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: 504 acres x (various ratings) = 231 conversion acres allowable
- New Assessment: 602 acres, all under corner arm pivots
- Notes: no assessment will be placed over the yard in NE 13

**2020-04-143 Moved by T. Hemsing that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for South Slope Feeders Ltd for 98 efficiency acres gained through conversion from flood to pivots in Sec 13-16-16 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$73,500 (98 acres x \$750/acre). Seconded by D. Jacobson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

NW 24-16-16 W4M and NE 02-17-16 W4M

The Landowners are requesting that 16 irrigation acres outside the pivot in NW 24-16-16 W4M be transferred to NE 02-17-16 W4M for a proposed corner arm pivot. Operations has no concerns.

**2020-04-144 Moved by T. Hemsing that the Board approve the transfer of 16 acres from NW 24-16-16 W4M, lands being owned by South Slope Feeders Ltd to NE 02-17-16 W4M, lands being owned by Graham Ventures Ltd. Seconded by D. Peltzer. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.27 Graham Ventures Ltd** (John Graham) – **NE 02-17-16 W4M**

- Previous Assessment: 1 acre (from pivot in NW 02)
- Current Assessment: 17 acres (16 acres transferred in, motion 2020-04-144)
- Proposal: 154 acre corner arm pivot; 137 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: flood to pivot, 16 acres x 1.4 = 6 conversion acres allowable, plus 133 allowable acres remaining from conversion acres in Sec 13-16-16 W4M
- New Assessment: 154 acres, all under corner arm pivot

**2020-04-145 Moved by T. Hemsing that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Graham Ventures Ltd for 137 new acres gained through conversion efficiencies from flood to pivots in Sec 13-16-16 W4M and NE 02-17-16 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$239,750 (137 acres x \$1,750/acre). Seconded by D. Jacobson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.2.28 Erik & Cornelia Versteegen – NE 06-15-13 W4M**

- Current Assessment: 135 acres pivot
- Proposal: corner arm addition; 10 acres needed
- Conversion Acres Gained: 0
- New Assessment: 145 acres, all under corner arm pivot

**2020-04-146 Moved by B. Schmidt that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Erik & Cornelia Versteegen for 10 infill acres in NE 06-15-13 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$7,500 (10 acres x \$750/acre). Seconded by R. Owen. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.3 Transfer of Irrigation Acres – Brooks Solar Corp – Pt SW 03-19-14 W4M to 1719660 AB Ltd**  
(Hendrik Pastink, Gerrit Van Asch, Berend Van Dijk) – **NE 28-18-15 W4M**

As Pt SW 03-19-14 W4M was purchased and rezoned to Commercial Industrial, the District notified the landowner, Brooks Solar Corp, that the 9 terminable acres were being cancelled and directed that the remaining 45 acres on the parcel be removed. Brooks Solar Corp has found a purchaser and is requesting that the 45 acres be transferred to 1719660 Alberta Ltd for a proposed pivot in NE 28-18-15 W4M, which is currently dry. Operations has no concerns.

**2020-04-147 Moved by T. Hemsing that subject to pivot stops in place and pivot survey, the Board approve the transfer of 45 acres from SW 03-19-14 W4M, lands being owned by Brooks Solar Corp to NE 28-18-15 W4M, lands being owned by 1719660 AB Ltd. Seconded by B. Schmidt. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.4 Irrigable Unit Discharge & Registration – Bantry Seed Farms Ltd** (Raymond Virostek and Derek Virostek) – **Pt NW 25, north Pt SW 25 & south Pt SW 25-16-13 W4M**

An Irrigable Unit is currently registered on Pt NW 25 & north Pt SW 25-16-13 W4M for an existing pivot. As the pivot swings into south Pt SW 25, the existing Irrigable Unit needs to be discharged and a new one registered on all portions.

**2020-04-148 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the discharge of the Irrigable Unit on Pt NW 25 & north Pt SW 25-16-13 W4M; all lands being owned by Bantry Seed Farms Ltd. Seconded by D. Peltzer. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2020-04-149 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the registration of an Irrigable Unit on Pt NW 25, north Pt SW 25 & south Pt SW 25-16-13 W4M; all lands being owned by Bantry Seed Farms Ltd. Seconded by D. Peltzer. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.03.5 Irrigable Unit Discharge & Registration – Endersby Cattle Co Ltd** (Sandra Beekman, Richard Beekman, Dan Endersby, Dianna Endersby, David Lyren, Bobbi-Jo Lyren, Donna Morishita, Bradly Morishita)- **various**

An Irrigable Unit is currently registered on Sec 34, SE 33 & Pt NE 28-20-17 W4M for 2 existing pivots. As these pivots encroach into N ½ 27, the existing Irrigable Unit needs to be discharged and a new one registered on all affected parcels.

**2020-04-150 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the discharge of the Irrigable Unit on Sec 34, SE 33 & Pt NE 28-20-17 W4M; all lands being owned by Endersby Cattle Co Ltd. Seconded by R. Owen. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2020-04-151 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board approve the registration of an Irrigable Unit on Sec 34, SE 33, Pt NE 28, NW 27 & NE 27-20-17 W4M; all lands being owned by Endersby Cattle Co Ltd. Seconded by R. Owen. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

[5:43 p.m. S. Connauton exited the meeting.]

**2020-04-152 Moved by B. Chrumka that the Board resolve into the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by R. Owen. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**11.0 Letter from Blaine Johnson**

**12.0 Snake Lake Reservoir**

**13.0 SolarKrafte**

**2020-04-152 Moved by T. Hemsing that the meeting be reconvened. Seconded by B. Schmidt. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Direction Arising from the In-Camera Portion of the Meeting

**11.0 Letter from Blaine Johnson**

A letter from Blaine Johnson was reviewed.

**12.0 Snake Lake Reservoir**

Consensus was gained on direction for Directors and Admin.

**13.0 SolarKrafte**

Confirmation of direction was given to Admin. Directors requested that SolarKrafte be asked to present to the Board.

Continuation of the Agenda

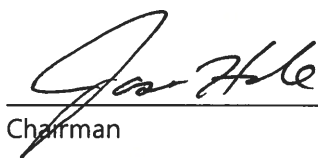
**14.0 Partners in Habitat Development (PHD) – 2019 Annual Report**

The 2019 Annual Report of the Partners in Habitat Development program was accepted as information.

**15.0 Upcoming Events**

- 15.01 Regular Board Meeting - Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m.
- 15.02 Regular Board Meeting - Tuesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 9:00 a.m.

**T. Hemsing moved adjournment of the meeting at 6:27 p.m.**




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Chairman




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General Manager