

**REGULAR/PUBLIC MEETING**  
Of The  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
Of  
**DESCHUTES VALLEY WATER DISTRICT**  
July 8, 2024

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Deschutes Valley Water District was called to order by Chairman Kathy Marston (KM) at 7:00 P.M. Other commissioners present were Dana Oppenlander (DO) and Jo Guiney (JoG).

KM asked for public comment. No public in attendance.

JoG moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes and accept as presented. Seconded by DO. Motion carried.

DO moved to adopt the Resolution on Investments 2024.07.08 for fiscal year 2025. Seconded by JoG. Motion carried.

Joel Gehrett (JG) discussed the high-level fish screen evaluation proposal. Both Jacobs and Kleinschmidt have submitted bids for the project but with different levels of scope. Discussion followed. JG asked the board what level of evaluation they would like to see done. He stated FERC relicensing could cost two million dollars. JoG asked JG to investigate what company's other agencies like ours use for this type of work.

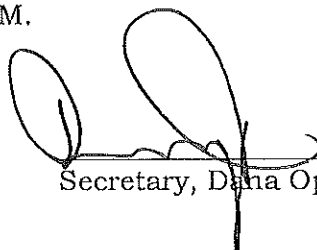
JG gave the following report to the board:

- Employee appreciation day was in June.
- IT services need to transition to a new company, Don Thompson from Microsphere is retiring.
- Gabriel is on last month of Pail Leave Oregon.
- Huge pumping increase over last month. The bill from Pacific Power is \$45,000.
- Need to create a long-term plan for awareness of outside water use and educate customers of different landscaping styles.
- Paperless billing is at 26%.
- SDAO has a webinar regarding the importance of board training.
- A new employee was let go so need to reopen hiring again.
- The annual audit starts July 29<sup>th</sup>. Kathy said she would interview with the auditors this year.

KM tabled the executive session until next month. JoG prefers that there be more than 3 board members for this executive session.

JoG moved to accept the financial statements, pay the Hydro and General Fund bills as presented and approve next month's payroll obligations. Seconded by DO. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 P.M.

  
Secretary, Dana Oppenlander