Scappoose Drainage Improvement Company

Minutes of the Annual Landowners Meeting

February 13, 2024

**Present:**

Board and Staff: Rob Hostettler, President; Karen Kessi, Vice President; Amanda Hoyt, Secretary/Treasurer; Megan Augeri, Director; Chase Christensen, General Manager; Jeff Condit, SDIC attorney; Janell Greisen, Contracted Bookkeeper/Administrative; Todd Graham, SDIC technology consultant.

Landowners/Representatives: Geoff Wenker, Ken Bernet, Gina Means, Marie Gadotti, Bob Salisbury (Port of Columbia County), Bob Short, Wyatt Roseman (Northwest Aggregates/Glacier NW), Chris Negelspach (City of Scappoose).

Zoom Participants: Jeremy Jones, Suzie Dahl, Anna P.

President Hostettler called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm at the Scappoose City Hall Council Chambers and led the flag salute. A quorum was declared with 4,001 acres of votes represented.

**Public Comment:** Ken Bernet thanked the board and Chase for all their work.

**Approval of 2023 Annual Landowner Minutes**

No public comment. Karen moved to approve the minutes as presented. Amanda seconded. No further discussion needed. Motion passed with 4 aye and 1 absent.

**SDIC Annual Report to Landowners** (copy attached)

President Hostettler read the notice for the record. No public comment.

**General Manager’s Report** (attached; expanded discussion of various topics is below)

**Infrastructure:** Received feedback from USACE on the toe drains and what to do with those located, due to weather. Response was they will be part of the periodic inspection and will need to be incorporated into the Flood Emergency Response Plan. The periodic inspection is usually by a third-party engineering firm. This is a top priority due to the time-sensitive nature and paperwork involved.

**Infrastructure/Treaty:** Public Comment: Ken Bernet asked what would cause higher levels than before. Chase responded, the treaty as it was written they come up to a plan on how much to pull back. Now it would be an “on-call.” If there was too much snow melt, we would only have Grand Coulee Dam and it couldn’t handle a large amount. Also, if water is too low, then it’s not available.

Geoff Wenker asked if the encroachments will still be on the inspection. Chase responded yes, they would be included but may not be permitted and if permitted they would each be an individual 408. Geoff was also concerned about items on the USACE that make SDIC look bad, but that USACE won’t clean up. Chase said his focus is those items that would get us kicked-out of the program.

No further public comments.

**Election of Director for 3-Year Term:** President Hostettler thanked Amanda Hoyt for her 3-years of service to SDIC. Nominations were taken from the floor. Ken Bernet nominated Amanda Hoyt. Amanda accepted the nomination. Geoff Wenker seconded the nomination. Bob Short moved to close nominations and to cast a unanimous vote for Amanda. Megan seconded. Motion carried unanimously by all present.

**New Business:** President Hostettler thanked landowners for attending. He also thanked Chase Christensen, Janell Greisen, Todd Graham, and Jeff Condit for their service to SDIC.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:09 pm.

Approved by the landowners on .

Signature

Printed Name and Title