

February 4, 2021

The Board of Directors of the Pathfinder Irrigation District met in their office in Mitchell, Nebraska, on Thursday, February 4, 2021.

Those present were: Jeff Jenkins, Monty Reisig, Alan Fenning, Mick Lookabill, Directors. Randy Hoff, President, Dennis Strauch, Manager, Rick Miller, Assistant Manager, and Margaret Harriger, Sec.-Treas. Absent: Harry Howell.

The meeting was called to order at 9:09 a.m. with reference being made to the "Open Meetings Act" as posted in the Boardroom.

The reading of the minutes was dispensed with as the minutes had been given to the Directors for prior review. A motion was made by Lookabill second by Reisig to approve the minutes as presented. A roll call vote was taken with Jenkins, Reisig, Fenning, Hoff, and Lookabill voting yes. Absent: Howell. Motion Carried.

Payroll and bills in the amount of \$160,707.13 were approved on a motion by Jenkins second by Reisig. A roll call vote was taken with Reisig, Fenning, Hoff, Lookabill and Jenkins voting yes. Absent Howell. Motion Carried.

The financial statement was approved on a motion by Jenkins second by Reisig. A roll call vote was taken with Fenning, Hoff, Lookabill, Jenkins and Reisig voting yes. Absent: Howell. Motion Carried.

The Manager provided a report on the ownership of water in the following reservoirs as of January 31, 2021. Pathfinder ownership stands at 459,160 acre-feet, Guernsey is 15,357 acre -feet, and the Inland Lakes are 22,846 acre- feet.

The Manager gave an update on the Payroll Protection Program Funds. We have been informed by Pinnacle Bank that the loan has been forgiven by SBA.

The Bureau of Reclamation is scheduled to begin the work on the abandoned outlet works at Lake Alice Dam # 1 in the near future. It is our understanding that the cost of the repairs is fully the Bureau's responsibility

Ballots were cast for the election of Directors for the North Platte Valley Irrigators Association. A motion was made by Fenning second by Reisig to cast all votes in Division # 1 for Jerald Meisner and in Division # 2 for Brooks Neely. A roll call vote was taken with Hoff, Lookabill, Jenkins, Reisig and Fenning voting yes. Absent Howell. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Lookabill second by Jenkins that a donation of \$2000.00 be made to the Family Farm Alliance. A roll call vote was taken with Hoff, Lookabill, Jenkins, Reisig and Fenning voting yes. Absent Howell. Motion Carried.

The Manager went over a few bills that had been introduced in the 2021 Legislature pertaining to water issues.

The 1st quarter budget report was reviewed by the Board.

A discussion was held on conducting future elections by mail. A motion was made by Lookabill second by Reisig to have future elections conducted by mail in ballots. A roll call vote was taken with Lookabill, Jenkins, Reisig, Fenning and Hoff voting yes. Absent Howell. Motion carried.

No one appeared during the time set aside for public comment.

The Manager's report was given as follows:

The tentative date for the next regular Board Meeting has been set for Thursday, March 4, 2021 at the District office in Mitchell, NE located at 140624 10th Street and will convene at 9:00 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

Randy Hoff, President

Margaret Harriger, Sec.-Treas.