

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
TALENT IRRIGATION DISTRICT
APRIL 7, 2026**

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TALENT IRRIGATION DISTRICT met in a regular session at the office of the district located at 104 West Valley View Road, Talent, Oregon, on the above date. President Winters called the board meeting to order at 7:02 a.m.

ROLL CALL BY: Manager Derry

PRESENT: Mike Winters ----- President
Jeff Hogan ----- Vice President (by telephone)
Jeff Bohn ----- Director
Brian Hampson ----- Consulting General Manager
Wanda Derry ----- Secretary/Manager
Sharee Burns ----- Executive Director
Bo Bergren ----- Dam Operator

VISITORS: Matt Borman ----- Bear Creek Orchard Manager/MID
Board Member
Josh Minchow ----- Bear Creek Orchard Operator
John Funke ----- Water User at 585 W. Valley View Rd.
and Green Springs Power Plant
Operator
Ricky Clark ----- OSU Extension Service
Bill Swartz ----- Water User at 787 Anderson Crk. Rd
Dave Westerberg ----- Water User at 816 E. Valley View Rd.
Matt Lichtenstein ----- Water User at 431 Foss Rd.
Kerri Vargas ----- Water User at 4455 Pioneer Rd.
Dawn Watson ----- Water User at 4491 Pioneer Rd.
Patty Holman ----- City of Ashland TID Water User

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR AND EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS OF MARCH 3, 2026

The Minutes of the Regular and Executive Session board meetings of March 3, 2026, were presented to the Board for their review.

Motion: Director Bohn approves the minutes as presented.

Second: Vice President Hogan

Ayes: President Winters, Vice President Hogan and Director Bohn

Nays: None

CLAIM SHEET FOR JANUARY 2026 TOTALING \$231,965.63

The Board reviewed the Claim Sheet for December for check numbers 4210 through 4271 and the itemized list of Visa charges for the month. The total claim sheet amount of \$231,965.63, less the

exceptional items of \$26,021.88, leaves a Claim Sheet balance of \$205,943.75 for the regular expenses for the month.

Motion: Director Bohn approves the claim sheet as presented.
Second: Vice President Hogan
Ayes: President Winters, Vice President Hogan and Director Bohn
Nays: None

FINANCIAL SUMMARY, ITEMIZED BUDGET COMPARISON, ASSESSMENTS RECEIVABLE, BALANCE SHEET AND PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT FOR FEBRUARY 2026

The budget should be 42% for February. The Income is 37% and Expenses are 45.5%. The annual bills went out at the end of January and payments in March have picked up considerably.

WATER SUPPLY

Manager Derry stated that as of today, the reservoir levels are as follows:

Howard Prairie	47,743 acre feet or 79%
Hyatt Lake	10,540 acre feet or 65%
Emigrant Lake	22,811 acre feet or 58%
Total Supply	81,094 acre feet or 67%

General Manager Hampson stated that he thinks the district will start flushing the canals on either April 27th or May 4th depending on what the weather is like. The Board agreed with his plan. General Manager Hampson stated that the district will have a sufficient water supply this year, but next year will be a completely different story for all 3 irrigation districts unless we have a very wet winter. He expects the season to end sometime in mid to late September.

He went on to say that Medford Irrigation District is not in good shape at all. He expects them to hold off and start around the same time as TID. Rogue River Irrigation will have a sufficient season and may start in mid-April.

As of March 24th, Medford Irrigation District's share of water in the Talent System is 1,886 acre feet. Rogue River Valley Irrigation District's share of water is 2,541 acre feet. These numbers are still changing as we continue to receive minimal precipitation.

The final setup of the McDonald System is being done, and it will start this Thursday. We will post a notice on the website and send out an email to those users who have supplied us with their email address.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (LIMITED TO 5 MINUTES PER PERSON)

Ricky Clark

Ricky stated that as far as the grapes are concerned, they are ok for now. Like the pears, they are also blooming early.

Bill Swartz

Bill stated he is on the McDonald System, and he is glad to hear it will be starting up later this week. He is also thankful for the district sending out emails to keep the users informed.

Dave Westerberg

Dave is a grass farmer and stated that General Manager Hampson's scenario on starting water sounds good to him. A couple years ago the district waited so long to start the water that his pastures died before he ever got water.

He stated he was present at the last board meeting to hear the auditors' report. Dave stated the Board dipped into reserves and they cannot keep doing that for very long. President Winters stated that this was done due to equipment issues and the district had built up to \$3.2 million in reserves and as a public entity we cannot keep too much money in reserve. Six months of working capital is what the auditor recommends. Dave said fees went up 10% last year and people just cannot afford it.

Matt Lichtenstein

No comment.

Josh Minchow

Just here to listen.

Kerri Vargas

No comment.

Dawn Watson

She stated that Bob Wilson asked her to let the Board know that he does a good job for the district. He helped her with letting her know that some construction work was going on around their private irrigation facilities and that she needed to keep an eye on it to protect their private system.

John Funke

No comment.

Matt Borman – Bear Creek Orchards Manager and MID Board Member

Matt said the soil moisture is dipping at 8". Sixteen inches is still good so far. The full blooms are at least 2 weeks earlier than this time last year. He suggested that when water is started that we do not fill the canals to full right off the bat because they will not need a full irrigation at the start.

Patty Holman

Patty had questions on the drawdown on the reservoirs. Manager Hampson explained that there is no natural streamflow this year so when we start water in the canals it will immediately begin drawing down the reservoirs.

CREW WORK REPORT AND EQUIPMENT REPAIRS

Manager Derry reviewed with the Board a portion of the work completed in March, as follows:

1. All canals and laterals have been cleaned.
2. Started mowing on the Talent Canal on March 23rd and continuing to mow.
3. Raised and cleaned the fish screens at Howard Prairie and Hyatt Lake.
4. Completed the month end OVIC's and Snow Survey.
5. Cleaned the McDonald System to get it ready to run water.

6. The 312DL Excavator sold at auction for \$39,100 and we received \$34,408. The commission on the sale was 12%.

UPDATE ON RBWUC, INC. ISSUES

General

Prepare IGA for new RBWUCI entity; begin review of DEQ's new TMDL rules; finalize the trail immunity resolution for all three districts.

Jordan Ramis invoice through February 28, 2026, $\$3,325.00 \div 3 = \$1,108.34$ per district

Biological Opinion

Participate in monthly call with Reclamation.

Jordan Ramis invoice through February 28, 2026, $\$220.00 \div 3 = \73.34 per district

Adjudication

Receive and review Judge Rowan's order denying the Tribes' motion to stay the proceedings, etc.

Jordan Ramis invoice through February 28, 2026, $\$1,092.50 \div 3 = \364.17 per district

Total of all invoices = \$1,545.85

General Manager Hampson explained that the Tribes are making calls on Fourmile Lake twice a year and our legal counsel must respond to all these calls. He also stated that the water in Jenny Creek is starting to receive more attention because it originates in the Klamath Basin and is transferred to the Rogue Basin.

TRAIL IMMUNITY RESOLUTION

A copy of the resolution was supplied to the Board. General Manager Hampson stated the resolution limits liability for certain claims arising from the use of trails or structures in public easements and unimproved rights-of-way pursuant to ORS 105.668. The attorney that represents MID, RRVID and TID through the Rogue Basin Water Users Counsel, took the template from Special Districts Association of Oregon and amended it to meet the needs of all three districts. He recommended the Board approve the resolution as presented.

Motion: Director Bohn approves the resolution as presented.

Second: Vice President Hogan

Ayes: President Winters, Vice President Hogan and Director Bohn

Nays: None

REVIEW OF ADDITIONAL INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND MANAGEMENT STAFF

This is for the purchase of additional insurance coverage for entity liability, employment practices liability, fiduciary liability and premises pollution. This coverage would be in addition to the coverage provided through Special Districts Association of Oregon. President Winters stated that this gives the directors and officers more protection against fraud claims. The directors and officers may have to fight claims themselves, but this insurance will be there to help. General Manager Hampson recommended the Board approve moving forward with this additional coverage.

Motion: Director Bohn approves proceeding with the insurance coverage.

Second: Vice President Hogan

Ayes: President Winters, Vice President Hogan and Director Bohn

Nays: None

MOTION TO UPDATE ALL SIGNATURE AUTHORIZATIONS AT COLUMBIA BANK AND THE STATE POOL

Signature cards at Columbia Bank need to be updated. Last month a motion was made to add General Manager Brian Hampson. We now need to include removing the previous Foreman, Bob Wilson, as a signer on the account. The bank requires a signed copy of the board meeting minutes showing the board approved the changes.

Motion: Director Bohn approves the signature authorization changes as presented.

Second: Vice President Hogan

Ayes: President Winters, Vice President Hogan and Director Bohn

Nays: None

INFORMATIONAL

O&M Work Completed

The Board was supplied with the spreadsheet from the Smartsheet program of all jobs completed since last month.

Claims Filed

A former employee has filed an unemployment and workers compensation claim against the district.

There being no other business to come before the Board, President Winters adjourned the meeting at 7:42 a.m.

Official Minutes: Approved as presented: X
 Approved as amended:
(If marked here, see minutes of the next meeting for text of amendment(s).)

DATE: May 5, 2026

ATTEST:



Consulting General Manager Brian Hampson



President Mike Winters