

**TRUCKEE-CARSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Committee
Minutes of the Regular Session Committee Meeting
January 18, 2024**

The Committee Members of the Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Committee of the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District, in the counties of Churchill and Lyon, State of Nevada, met in regular session at the office of the District, 2666 Harrigan Road, Fallon, Nevada, on **Thursday, January 18, 2024** at 9:00 a.m.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Present:	Robert Oakden Joseph Gomes Ben Shawcroft Cody Biggs	Vice-Chairman Committee Member General Manager/Committee Member Const. & Maint. Mgr/Committee Member
Absent:	David Stix, Jr. Kelly Herwick	Chairman District Water Master/Committee Member
Others Present:	Helen-Marie Morrow Ariel Tomb	Finance Manager Clerical Assistant

Teleconference/Zoom Guests	Representing
Bethany Chagnon	United States Fish & Wildlife Service
Zack Bowers	Naval Air Station Fallon

In-Person Guests	Representing
Nels Arneson	Self

The following agenda items are not necessarily in the order they were heard or decided but in the order as appearing on the agenda.

1. **Call to Order**
The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Vice-Chairman Oakden.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Committee Member Gomes.
3. **Review and Adoption of the Agenda**
A motion was made by Committee Member Shawcroft to approve the January 18, 2024 O&M Committee Meeting Agenda, seconded by Committee Member Gomes, request for comment, and the motion was unanimously approved.
4. **Public Comment**
No public comment.
5. **Miscellaneous Correspondence**

No miscellaneous correspondence.

6. **General Manager & Staff Reports**

• **Ben Shawcroft, General Manager**

Shawcroft reported that the office is getting back in the swing of things following Christmas. He commented that the hydro plants are ready to go when the season starts.

• **Cody Biggs, Construction & Maintenance Manager**

Biggs reported the Carson River channel has been cleaned from Sheckler to Bafford. Gate exercises at Diversion are scheduled for February 1st. The concrete crew is working on the T16 and A9 laterals, the tree crew on the S-Line. They are also working on removing sand buildup and drain replacements on the S-Line.

• **Mark Solinski, Hydroelectric Manager**

Solinski was not present to report.

• **Kelly Herwick, District Water Master**

Herwick was not present to report.

• **Mike Adams, Systems & Technologies Manager**

Adams was not present to report.

7. **Damage Claims Submitted**

• **24-001 Nels Arneson**

Damage Claim in the amount of \$2,200.00 for flood damage to his property at 4300 Cox Road, Fallon, Nevada

Mr. Nels Arneson was present and gave the Committee the overview of his claim; they had finished farming the field for the season in late October. The washout occurred sometime in November but it wasn't noticed by the renter until late December. Cody acknowledged the washout and commented that he had planned on sending someone to clean up the field once it dried out but doing so fell through the cracks. Mr. Arneson was amenable to the District cleaning the sand buildup from his field and revisiting the issue once it was determined if that section needed to be re-seeded.

A motion was made by Committee Member Shawcroft to table Damage Claim 24-001, seconded by Committee Member Gomes, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.

8. **Incidents & Accidents**

No incidents or accidents to report.

9. **New Applications Received**

No new applications received.

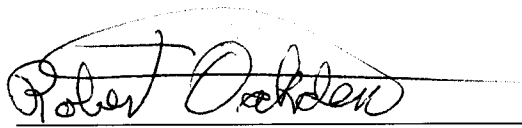
10. **U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Representative(s)**
Bethany Chagnon, Deputy Refuge Manager – Stillwater National Wildlife Refuge, informed the Committee that they are starting a major road project on the Refuge; it is due to start January 22nd and should be finished by February 10th. She also commented that hunting season is wrapping up.
11. **Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe Representative(s)**
No representative was present to report.
12. **Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF) Representative(s)**
Zack Bowers, Naval Air Station Fallon, reported that he is starting to work on the list of lessees for the Navy ground.
13. **Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW) Representative(s)**
No representative was present to report.
14. **Bureau of Reclamation Representative(s)**
No representative was present to report, however Committee Member Biggs reported that there will be an inspection of the Dog Kennel Seep today.
15. **Consent Agenda**

- Approval of O&M Committee Meeting Minutes of December 21, 2023 conducted at the District office, 2666 Harrigan Road, Fallon Nevada.

A motion was made by Committee Member Gomes to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Committee Member Biggs, request for comment and the motion was approved with Vice-Chairman Oakden abstaining.

16. **Additional Period of Public Comment**
No additional public comment.

17. **Adjournment**
The meeting was adjourned at 9:36 a.m. subject to the call of the Committee Vice-Chairman.


Robert Oakden, Vice-Chairman

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Date