# TRUCKEE-CARSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT Carson Lake Pasture Advisory Committee

Minutes of the Regular Session Committee Meeting

May 24, 2023

The Carson Lake Pasture Advisory Committee, in the counties of Churchill and Lyon, State of Nevada, met in regular session at the offices of the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District, 2666 Harrigan Road, Fallon, Nevada, on **Wednesday, May 24, 2023** at 1:30 p.m.

The following Committee members were present constituting a quorum:

Present:

Lester deBraga

Committee Chairman

Mike Zahradka

Nevada Department of Wildlife (Zoom)

Don Snodgrass Gibb Mackedon Wes Washburn Greenhead Hunting Club, Inc. Greenhead Hunting Club, Inc. Carson Lake Pasture Stockmen

Absent:

Michele Kyte

Carson Lake Pasture Stockmen

Joseph Gomes

Committee Member

Others Present:

Ben Shawcroft

General Manager

Helen-Marie Morrow

Finance Manager

**Ariel Tomb** 

Assistant Secretary to the Board

In-Person Guests	Representing
Bryant Behimer	CLP Manager – Independent Contractor
Jerilynn Guazzini	Grazer
Walter Winder (arrived 2:18 p.m.)	Grazer
Bruce Corkill	Grazer
Dennis Lee	Grazer
Aaron Williams	Grazer

Teleconference Guests	Representing
Isaac Metcalf	Nevada Department of Wildlife
Jacob Ward	Nevada Department of Wildlife
Trevor deBraga	Grazer

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 by Committee Chairman deBraga at 1:34 p.m.

### 2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Helen-Marie Morrow.

### 3. Review and Adoption of the Agenda

A <u>motion</u> was made by Committee Member Washburn to approve the agenda, seconded by Committee Member Snodgrass, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.

#### 4. Public Comment

No public comment.

# 5. <u>Carson Lake Pasture Development of Recommendations for the Remainder of the 2023 Grazing Season</u>

The Committee will review current operations and conditions of the Carson Lake Pasture as well as impacts resulting from the flooding and make any adjustments to the operations for the remainder of the 2023 grazing season.

The Committee will review costs associated with the pump being used to irrigate the east side of the pasture and make recommendations concerning the responsible party to cover such costs.

The Committee may also review the terms and conditions of the Agreement had by the District with the State of Nevada for management of Pasture lands, and the Agreement had by the District with the Pasture Manager responsible for Pasture grazing oversight, and may upon review of all such matters provide recommendations to the Board for changes or modifications to such agreements. Any such recommendations relating to new or revised regulations, policies, or agreement modifications are subject to final approval by the Board of Directors at a subsequent meeting thereof.

Pasture Manager Behimer reported that access into the Pasture is very limited at this point. There is not much feed in the Home Field, the East Side is looking better than he expected. The water is encroaching on the West Side quite a bit but he believes that it has plateaued or might have receded a little. He believes that if he can run some water on the Home Field the cattle should have good grazing for a while. Currently there are 722 head billed for this season.

Discussion followed regarding the pump, costs associated with running it, and how much it will be needed going forward.

The consensus of the grazers present was that they were willing to pay \$10 - \$15 a head to pay to run the pump long enough to get the Pasture wet once.

Shawcroft commented that the District would contact the grazers that are not present at the meeting to gauge their willingness to pay for running the pump and a decision would be made by the Board.

No motion was made.

## 6. Consent Agenda

 Approval of Carson Lake Pasture Committee Meeting Minutes from March 29, 2023 conducted at the District office, 2666 Harrigan Road, Fallon Nevada.

A <u>motion</u> was made by Committee Member Snodgrass to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Committee Member Washburn, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.

# 7. Additional Public Comment

No additional public comment.

## 8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the Committee Chairman at 2:39 p.m.

Lester deBraga, Committee Chairman