

Minutes of the Board Meeting of the
TRUCKEE-CARSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Regular Session
July 9, 2007

The Board of Directors of the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District, in the Counties of Churchill and Lyon, State of Nevada, met in regular session at the offices of the District, 2666 Harrigan Road, Fallon, Nevada on Monday, July 9, 2007.

Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance

President, Ernest C. Schank called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. in compliance with NRS Chapter 241. The following Directors were present constituting a quorum:

Present:	Ernest C. Schank Richard Harriman Ray Peterson Larry Miller Lester deBraga Don Travis	President Vice President, Arrived at 9:12 a.m. Secretary Director Treasurer, Arrived at 9:12 a.m. Director
Others Present:	Dave Overvold	Project Manager
Absent:	Jerry Blodgett	Director

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Walter Winder.

Resolution

A **motion** was made by **Director Lester deBraga** to spread across the TCID Board Meeting Minutes congratulations to **Donald Travis, Director and his wife, Simmie Travis** on their 50th wedding anniversary seconded by **Director Ray Peterson** and unanimously approved.

Presentation of Recognition Awards

President Ernie Schank presented **Ted Renfro, Shop Foreman and Amiel Kelley, Truck Driver** with a Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of 30 years of service. Each was also presented with an award and the Board thanked them for their dedication on behalf of the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District and the water users of the Newlands Project.

Supervisors Reports

John Baker, Water Master

John reported the following water storage levels data:

Lahontan Elevation	4,149	Feet
Lahontan Storage	170,300	Acre Feet
Lahontan Out Flow	825	CFS
Carson River Flow At Fort Churchill	1.7	CFS
Truckee River Flow At Vista	314	CFS
Truckee Canal Flow At Wadsworth	170	CFS
Truckee Canal At Hazen (Bango)	73	CFS
Truckee River Below Derby Dam	114	CFS
Spilling At Gilpin Approximately	0	CFS

Diverted Last Month	<u>46,896 AF</u>
Delivered Last Month:	<u>30,989 AF</u>
Efficiency Last Month:	<u>66.1%</u>
Year To Date Diverted:	<u>128,562</u>
Year To Date Delivered:	<u>75,547</u>
Year To Date Efficiency:	<u>58.8%</u>

Dave Overvold, Project Manager stated that there is fish water. They dropped it down 10 CFS on Friday to 15 and the rest of the water below Derby is for Claims 1 and 2 and existing agricultural water use. We will be diverting for the rest of the year because we are below the targets. By the end of the month we will be at 131,000 CFS and should have enough to carry over 40,000 AF at the end of the season.

Brian Baley, Water Master

Brian said that the ditchriders seem to be doing better. Brian wanted to know why the USFW had not cleared the weeds on the E1. He went ahead and burned them yesterday.

Walter Winder, O&M Foreman reported on the break at Sheckler Reservoir. There is only one spot that is broken on the west side. The east side is broken, also. The team is going to take the drott in and shut off the inlet to Sheckler. They will then clean down as far as they can and repair the break. If there are more places that are broken in the channel it will depend on what they can get to that gets repaired.

President Ernie Schank asked for an explanation on what the District is trying to do out there and if we are just running out what water runs in and how it's controlled? **Brian** said they try to keep just one head a constant flow. He did not see much change in the E1 deliveries.

Walter Winder, O&M Foreman

Walter reported that the Rogers Road job should be completed today. The team is excavating for a ramp flume on the S3 and it should be installed by the end of next week. The long reach is currently parked but will be going back to work soon. All the dump trucks are working on gopher holes around the District.

Walter also reported that the moss in the canals is not too bad right now. They have been working on keeping it down and chemically treated and the amount of chemicals used this year should stay about the same as last year. **Director Larry Miller** wanted to complement the weed department on the good job they are doing keeping everything sprayed and under control. He also wanted to recognized Deborah Sherman and her team for the great job they are doing all around. He commented to Deborah on some small trees that were growing next to some check structures on Allen Rd. and she has already taken care of it. She is protecting the ditches very well. Walter said that they started treatment on the moss earlier this year and that may have helped.

Director Larry Miller commented that the seal on the check structure at the T-C39 that is starting to blow out at the bottom. He is not sure whether is can be nailed back on or needs a more structured repair.

Ted Renfroe, Shop Foreman

Regular work continues in the shop. Ted is sending a man up to Reno for the 1085. There is a demo CAT in the yard that the District will have the use of for one week to see if it should be purchased. It is for sale for \$110,000 but would probably take a lesser offer. Bob Baldwin will be running the machine. It comes with an excavating bucket and a 5' bucket for the ditches.

Ted sold a used truck last week for \$700. The shop is currently working on a 10-wheeler that he just bought from the state. One the shop gets #318 serviced, Ted will sell it.

Kelly Cecil, Hydro Foreman

Kelly reported on the hydro department readings as follows:

Location	KWs
26' Drop	1,000 KW
New Power Plant	2,300 KW
Old Power Plant	1,690 KW
TOTAL:	4,990 KW

A new camera has been installed at the Gilpin Spill and it is up and running. Kelly is having the old camera re-wired so that there will be a spare.

The screens belt has been repaired. There was dry spot on one of the conveyors and it striped one of the teeth off the screen yesterday. Kelly confirmed that the chains are lubed well so the company will be putting a new sprocket on for him.

Kelly said that the moss has started picking up just yesterday. The elevator part of the screen works well and Kelly is pushing the moss off to the side until the teeth are fixed. Kelly confirmed that the screens are helping out in decreasing manpower hours that it previously took to work the moss. A piece of steel has been ordered to place behind the conveyor belt in order to keep the moss from falling back in. A member of the O&M department will clean the screens once per week.

Dave Overvold asked Kelly if there was a way to compare the efficiency of the plant now with the new screens to before without the screens. Kelly said he believes the efficiency could be determined but would like to wait until he gets everything going good. He said that there should be a difference in kilowatt hours. With the screens, the plant has been running at full capacity. Prior to installing the screens the plant ran about 923 due to moss, etc. buildup.

President Ernie Schank asked Walter Winder to update the Board on the progress of the LC3. Walter reported that the automation house has been completed and is waiting to drop the basin to install a stinger into the bay. After this is complete, they will begin building the automation.

Review/Approve June 2007 Disbursements

A **motion** was made by **Director Ray Peterson** to approve the June 2007 disbursements for the New Lahontan Hydro Power Plant paid prior to Board approval and unpaid seconded by **Director Larry Miller** and unanimously approved.

A **motion** was made by **Director Larry Miller** to approve the June 2007 general disbursements paid prior to Board approval and to pay the unpaid bills seconded by **Director Richard Harriman** and unanimously approved.

Supervisors were excused at 10:50 a.m.

United States Fish & Wildlife Service

No representative attended.

Review/Approve Relief Ditchrider/Meter Tech or Temporary Ditchrider/Meter Tech Position

Dave Overvold, Project Manager would like to ask the advice of the Board on the position and indicated that there were two ways to go about hiring someone for this position. One is that the District could hire someone new who has no experience as a replacement person. This person would come in and take over anytime when one of the ditchriders was out. The other, which what the water masters

have recommended, is to have an experienced person hired into this position. If there were to be someone with the experience of a senior ditchrider, this person could fill in without any trouble. To bring someone brand new into the position would be difficult. The employee would be in a position where they would be learning to measure water and if there is not enough activity in this area they would go back to the O&M department, keeping busy at all times.

President Ernie Schank believes that there is another problem that has been brought up. He was provided with research from Dave in preparation for the position description. Dave has looked to see how much water people have on the books that have ordered more than 13 times during the year. It was interesting to see how much water was not used during the year on some of the ranches where there have been complaints of being overcharged. One of the things that the new person would do would be to do some spot checking. This would be to the District's advantage to have someone go out and measure some of these heads of water where there are no measuring devices and make sure that water users are being charged properly.

Director Don Travis said he sees two different problems here. He does not see anything wrong with receiving 13 orders due to farm units. **Dave** indicated that the research applies more toward water users that do not have a farm unit, but by individual serial number. If you have a farm unit, it is understandable that there would be many more orders because it encompasses many parcels. With the individual who has only one serial number and has received 17 irrigations, it seems as though they should have run out of water.

Director Larry Miller commented that on his main field he is lucky to get six irrigations but the pasture irrigates in about three hours and gets about 12 irrigations.

Dave researched years 2001-2006 (minus year 2005) with a total of 23,000 AF and the average 4,600 AF per year. This was of those individuals who had taken more than 14 orders and have water left at the end of the year.

Dave thought that enlisting this position would be a counter balance to the claim that the District is actually overcharging but exactly the opposite. If this should straighten out the problem it would more than compensate for any other problems.

Director Lester deBraga asked Dave if he had a candidate in mind for the position that already has experience. Dave was thinking about W.C. Cecil for the position. He is someone he believes could do this job. The position would be advertised in-house, first. **John Baker** is of the opinion that this person should be of an experienced scale. If a new person is hired it will take much time to learn the entire valley including Fernley. He will then spend another year training the meter measuring techniques. John suggested training on the downloading of the meter data with Dave Watkins taking the lead on the actual measurements. These are several reasons why John would prefer a senior ditchrider. **Brian Baley** would like the candidate to be able to take over on the weekends with a Monday and Tuesday off, for example, being able to step in when either he or John were unavailable.

John would like the priorities for this job to be, (1) ditchrider, (2) meter technician and then (3) O&M department. In the past, calling in a relief ditchrider has cost the District to pay overtime or been difficult to find a ditchrider who was available on his days off, whereas, this individual would already be available to go either way. Another problem John has run into lately is some of the ditchriders wanting to take vacation time. It is irrigation season and John has to tell them that they cannot take vacation at this time of the year. It is just too busy. There have been extenuating circumstances that people have taken a day or two off for but other than that, their time is too valuable to the District for this time of year.

Director Larry Miller believes there is a shortage of ditchriders on hand who have a loyalty to the District. He would rather not have W.C. Cecil in the position and would not support that decision. He wanted to know how critical on time is getting the position filled. **Brian Baley** indicated that there will be a great need for water measurement as August and September approach.

President Ernie Schank stated that the final decision on the candidate will need to be a management decision. If management chooses to hire someone new to the company they will be on six months probation.

Open Discussion

President Ernie Schank received a call from Nancy Upham, Mosquito & Weed Abatement District and she could like to have a spot on the next O&M committee agenda. She told President Schank that there have been no confirmed cases of west nile in Churchill County this year. Dr. Hockenberry, who treated the Mr. Koepke, wrote a letter confirming that Mr. Koepke had had the west nile virus at one time but is not currently infected. Once you have had the west nile virus you carry antibodies. It is impossible to tell when the individual actually had the virus. The doctor is unable to release any tests findings on Mr. Koepke without Mr. Koepke’s approval. Dr. Hockenberry has reported no new cases of west nile this year.

When Mr. Koepke approached TCID claiming to have the virus, Walter Winder went out to the location where Mr. Koepke said he had been infected. Mr. Koepke also called the Lahontan Valley Newspaper and informed the newspaper that he had the first case of the year and that he was meeting Mr. Winder, TCID O&M Foreman out on the ditch bank.

Nancy Upham also went to the site of the alleged infection and set four mosquito traps. She indicated that very few mosquitoes had been caught and none tested positive for west nile.

Nancy’s reason for wanting on the O&M committee meeting agenda is because there are remedial funds available to her district that could possibly be used to pay for the pipe if TCID lowers the crossing. The funds are used to remedy areas of potential nuisance.

If Mr. Koepke came to TCID and applied to cover the drain to TCID specifications, then TCID would be willing to do this. Mr. Koepke does not seem willing to do this.

Review/Approve Policy Committee’s Recommendations

<p>New Policy: <u>DELIVERY AND MEASUREMENT OF WATER</u></p> <p>A <u>motion</u> by Ernie Schank to submit the above mentioned <u>Delivery and Measurement of Water Policy</u>, after approval by MVZ, to the Board of Directors at the next meeting. It was seconded by Lester deBraga and approved by all.</p> <p>Board Action:</p> <p>A <u>motion</u> was made by Director Richard Harriman to adopt the <u>Delivery and Measurement of Water Policy</u> as written by MVZ seconded by Director Larry Miller and unanimously approved.</p>	<p>The District has always had a rule against the writing off of water, but in order to prevent any misunderstandings, the Board of Directors has instituted a written policy. The TCID Board and Management prohibit the allocation of water above the water users’ entitlement and the writing off of water. Any employee who violates this policy will be subject to disciplinary action.</p> <p>The District will not tolerate inaccurate reporting of water use. Each filled water order must contain time on, time off, flow rate, and amount of water used. Disputes in water charged will be handled as described in the Procedures for the Ordering and the Delivering of Water.</p> <p>On ditches with measuring devices the metered totals must be used to record water usage with appropriate loss established by approved protocol for calculating</p>
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	<p>seepage loss.</p> <p>On ditches with no measuring devices water delivered will be measured by the Ditchriders as accurately as possible, with accurate times on and off.</p> <p>The policy reads as follows:</p> <p><i>Current TCID policy requires that all deliveries of water be measured and reported accurately. The TCID Board and Management have invested considerable resources in new measuring devices and training of personnel to ensure that water deliveries are measured as accurately as possible. It is the responsibility of every employee in carrying out these policies that they accurately interpret and record deliveries of water. In keeping with these policies, the TCID Board and Management prohibit the allocation or delivery of water above a water user's entitlement and also prohibit any writing off of water. The District does not tolerate inaccurate reporting of water use. Each filled water order must contain time on, time off, flow rate, and amount of water used. Disputes in water charged will be handled as described in the Procedures for the Ordering and the Delivering of Water.</i></p> <p><i>On ditches with measuring devices, the metered totals must be used to record water usage with appropriate loss established by approved protocol for calculating seepage loss. Where multiple users are located along a metered canal or lateral, accurate times on and off must be recorded.</i></p> <p><i>On ditches with no measuring devices, water delivered will be measured by the Ditchriders as accurately as possible, with accurate flow rates and times on and off.</i></p> <p><i>Any employee who violates these policies will be subject to disciplinary measures.</i></p>
<p>New Policy: <u>Review Policy for Gates on Easements</u></p> <p>A <u>motion</u> by Lester to submit the above mentioned <u>Gate Policy</u> to the Board of Directors for approval at the next meeting was seconded by Ernie Schank and approved by all.</p> <p>Board Action:</p> <p>A <u>motion</u> was made by Director Richard Harriman to adopt the new gate policy as recommended by the Policy Committee seconded by Director Lester deBraga and unanimously approved.</p>	<p>The committee reviewed some emails that were submitted by Jon and Eileen Gay regarding their concerns because there are no barriers or signs warning motorists that the road ends at the Derby (Pyramid) Spillway. The Gay's are concerned about the dangers posed by motorists that may use the road not knowing that it is a dead end with little room to turn around. Dave stated that posts with a chain are too dangerous to use as a barrier. As an immediate solution, signs can be posted. After a short discussion the following was agreed upon as the policy.</p> <p>The policy reads as follows: <u>GATE POLICY</u></p> <p><i>Landowners may not close access to TCID</i></p>

	<p>easements. Any gate installed after July 9th, 2007 shall have a permit issued by TCID. Gates must be left open during the irrigation season March 15th through November 15th or have an approved automatic gate installed per TCID requirements.</p>
<p><u>Review Protocol on Laterals to Calculate Seepage Loss</u></p> <p>Board Action:</p> <p>A <u>motion</u> was made by Director Richard Harriman to approve the Protocol for Calculating Seepage Losses as presented and amended by Dave Overvold, Project Manager, seconded by Director Lester deBraga and unanimously approved.</p>	<p>The committee asked that Dave provide the protocol that the Policy Committee will review and submit for approval at the next regular meeting of the Board of Directors.</p> <p>Mr. Schank thought that Section C – Easements of the Management Policies needs to be reviewed as some areas appear to be outdated.</p> <p>New Policy: <u>Calculating Seepage Loss on Laterals</u></p> <p>PROTOCOL FOR CALCULATING SEEPAGE LOSSES</p> <p><i>When a new measuring device is installed in a lateral, a method of calculating seepage losses incurred below the meter to the water user's takeout is needed. The Water Department will establish an initial loss based on other laterals in the vicinity and what has been established in the past. Current meter measurements will be made by TCID personnel during the irrigation season, measuring at the meter and at the takeout to determine losses. The losses will be averaged and prorated based on distance downstream of the meter to other takeouts on the lateral. These losses will be deducted from the measurement device readings. The start and stop times provided by the water user will be compared with the meter data to maintain consistency. The following guidelines should be followed to maintain a uniform application of seepage loss determinations:</i></p> <p><i>At least two sets of measurements at different times during the year should be used to determine losses. Water needs to be in the ditch for a minimum of two hours before measurements are taken. The same person and the same current meter need to be used at both locations. The loss calculation shall remain constant all year. Any disputes on the application of seepage loss rates should be handled under the Procedure for the Ordering and the Delivering of Water.</i></p> <p><i>These seepage loss rates may be re-evaluated in the future if conditions warrant.</i></p>

Public Hearing: To Pipe and Realign a Portion of the TC5 – Fernley Village

Mr. Frank Gillespie, property owner, attended the meeting for the hearing. **Dave Overvold, Project Manager** stated that the plan is to pipe 1,288 lineal feet in the subdivision using 36" pipe and 12" pipe for 514 lineal feet that will serve Mr. Gillespie's delivery of water. There will be no open pipe left down below. There will be a gate and a takeout at the corner of his property where he will be taking the water

from. There will also be a trash rack at one end. The TCID easement currently follows along the wowie in the road but the easement will be relocated so that it runs parallel to the road.

A **motion** was made by **Director Richard Harriman** to approve the piping of a portion of the TC5 in Fernley Village seconded by **Director Larry Miller** and unanimously approved.

Concrete Bid Opening

	Amount	Price	Comments
BLT Ready Mix	5 Sack	\$91.00	15 miles from the center of Fallon
		\$95.00	AFTER 4:00 p.m.
	5.5 Sack	\$94.00	
		\$98.00	AFTER 4:00 p.m.
	6 Sack	\$97.00	
		\$101.00	AFTER 4:00 p.m.
	Standby	\$1.50	Per Minute (10 minutes)
	Remote Site	\$95.00	Per Hour
	Short Load	\$45.00	Per Truck
	Fuel Sir Chg.	\$15.00	Per Truck

	Amount	Price	
Hiskett & Sons	5 Sack	\$83.00	Minimum 1 yard loads
	5.5 Sack	\$87.60	
	6 Sack	\$92.15	
	Cushion Box	\$87.60	Minimum 1 Yard
	2 Yard Min.	\$140.00	Fernley/Silver Springs
			No Fuel Charge, No Standby Time Charge

Concrete bids will given to Walter Winder, O&M Foreman under advisement for further review and put on the August 7, 2007 Agenda for award.

Review/Approve June 2007 Director’s Compensation

Ernest C. Schank	\$280.00
Richard Harriman	\$240.00
Ray Peterson	\$160.00
Larry Miller	\$80.00
Jerry Blodgett	\$
Lester deBraga	\$200.00
Don Travis	\$80.00

A **motion** was made by **Director Richard Harriman** to pay the June 2007 Directors Compensation seconded by **Director Ray Peterson** and unanimously approved.

Review/Approve June 2007 Regular Session Board Minutes

June 2007 Regular Session Board Meeting Minutes will be on the next Board agenda of August 7, 2007.

Review/Approve Signature on Churchill County Museum Loan Agreement

A **motion** was made by **Director Richard Harriman** to extend the loan agreement for another year with the Churchill County Museum seconded by **Director Ray Peterson** and unanimously approved.

Review/Approve 2007-2008 \$10,000 Contribution to Lahontan Valley Environmental Alliance

A **motion** was made by **Director Richard Harriman** to approve the \$10,000 contribution to the Lahontan Valley Environmental Alliance for fiscal year 2007-2008 seconded by **Director Ray Peterson** and unanimously approved.

Review/Approve O&M Committee Recommendations

Director Ray Peterson reported the following:

<p>1. <u>Review Accident Incident Reports and Damage Claims</u></p> <p>No Board action required.</p>	<p>There was one Damage Claim filed by Wes Washburn. The incident was reported by Brian Baley on 5/16/07. A water user was to turn over the water to the next user but did not turn down the head. The A13 Lateral broke when a combination of a large head of water and weeds plugged up Washburn's gate. This caused flooding in a newly disked field. The Damage claim was for \$255.00 to rework the field. Richard Harriman <u>motions</u> to authorize Dave Overvold to pay the Damage claim of \$255.00, Jerry seconds the motion and the committee approved.</p> <p>An incident of a lost phone was reported by Aaron Friberg on 6/11/07 in the L11.</p> <p>An incident reported by Dave Overvold that happened 6/17/07 when the T13 at the T15 takeout was not closed properly and a 1 foot gap was left at the bottom of the takeout. This caused the water to go from a field down Carr Lane, to Bench Road, and all the way to Highway 50. The gate was fixed and the Water Master was called to assess the Damage. Walter said that Mr. Mike Dunn contacted him later in the week to claim that his motor home was damaged when he drove it across the "crater" that the flood made in his driveway. Walter took pictures of the "craters" in his driveway. As of the date of these minutes no Damage Claim has been filed.</p> <p>An incident was reported by Colton Ross on 6/4/07 on the N Line. Flooding occurred when a water user did not open a gate he was supposed to. The N Line broke and flooded a church parking lot. No Damage Claim has been filed.</p> <p>There was an incident report from Matt Maguire on 6/4/07 regarding the S6-6 lateral when a ditch washed out and into the drain. No damage was reported.</p> <p>The last incident report was from Charlie Crew when a wood pole used for crossing the ditch fell into the A19 and lodged in front of a gate. Weeds gathered up and shut off the water flow through the gate. The water went over the ditch and flooded a drive way. No Damage Claims were filed.</p>
<p>2. <u>Review Weed Program with Deb Sherman – Nancy Upham</u></p> <p>No Board action is required.</p>	<p>Nancy Upham was not present at the O&M Committee meeting. At the last Board of Directors meeting Ms. Upham requested that TCID send representatives to the Weed Abatement meetings. She also requested to meet with Deb Sherman to discuss our weed program.</p>

	<p>The Board felt that the O&M Committee meeting would be a good time to do that. Since Ms. Upham was not present Deb was asked to look into the grants that may be available and to find out when the next meeting of the Weed Abatement Committee will be in July. Deb said that the District does not usually spray drains but does work in cooperation with the Mosquito and Weed Abatement District so that efforts are not duplicated.</p>
<p>3. <u>Review Ponds on Drains and Pump at Pond on Testolin Road</u></p> <p>Dave will research.</p> <p>No Board action is required at this time.</p>	<p>The Board of Directors at the last regular meeting has asked the O&M Committee to check into this pond. The pond was researched before the meeting and it was found that the property owner has water rights with a pump permit. So it is a non-issue.</p>
<p>4. <u>Review Plans to Acquire T13 Easement from Don Travis</u></p> <p>Richard Harriman made a <u>motion</u> to recommend to the Board to acquire an easement from Don Travis for the T13 Lateral that is now located on his property and abandon the easement of the T13 Lateral that is on the west side of Moody Lane till it crosses Wade Lane. Jerry Blodgett seconded the motion and it was approved by all.</p> <p>Engineering will further review and make application necessary to the Bureau.</p>	<p>Some time back the T13 was moved from the west side of Moody Lane to the east side. However, no easements were acquired or abandoned when the lateral was moved. An easement of 60 feet should be acquired from the property owner, Mr. Don Travis. With the installation of the County sewer line down Moody Lane the T13's easement needs to be clearly identified in its present location.</p>

Recess

A **motion** was made by **Director Richard Harriman** to recess for lunch at 12:01 p.m. seconded by **Director Ray Peterson** and unanimously approved.

The Board Reconvened at 1:28 p.m.

O&M Committee Recommendations continued.....

<p>5. <u>Review Plan to Pipe and Reduce Easement TC10 – Arabian Run Subdivision</u></p> <p>The committee agreed to recommend to the Board to approve the piping and reduction of easement pending the approval of the BOR and a public hearing as long as the recommended changes were made to the plans.</p> <p>No Board action required.</p>	<p>Ms. Jennifer Lumos was present to answer any questions that the Committee may have regarding the plans to pipe and reduce the easement of the TC10. The committee looked over the plans with Walter. The only concern the committee had was the angles that the pipe makes at the upstream and the downstream edge of the property. In order to make the most use of the property the TC10 is being relocated to run along the south side property line rather than follow the line that the TC10 presently takes. That makes the angles at the west end two 90 degree angles and at the east end there is one angle that would be less than 90 degrees. The committee asked that the acute angle be at the least a 90 degree.</p>
<p>6. <u>Review Plans to Pipe and Reduce Easement LD Deep Drain – Stonebridge Sub.</u></p> <p>The committee will recommend that the Board approve the piping and reduction of easement with the above mentioned condition pending approval of the</p>	<p>Ms. Lumos also represented the developers of the Stonebridge Subdivision to answer questions from the committee. The committee looked at the plans presented and approved with the condition that the LD Deep Drain must be piped all at once rather than in the proposed phases. The committee did not want to see</p>

<p>BOR and a public hearing.</p> <p>No Board action required.</p>	<p>open sections of drain that collect trash and debris while waiting for another phase that may never happen.</p>
<p>7. <u>Review Proposal to Swap Easements on the Truckee Canal – Basecamp, LLC.</u></p> <p>The committee recommends that the Board approve the encroachment pending BOR approval.</p> <p>A letter will be written to Mr. Art O'Connor and copied to the Bureau.</p>	<p>Mr. Art O'Connor, a land surveyor, was present to represent Basecamp and answer any questions the committee may have. Mr. O'Conner presented the major issue that he found in his survey of the area in that the house sits inside the right-of-way for the Truckee Canal. The proposal originally is to swap easements. Basecamp will give us easements for the power line that crosses the property and for an irrigation pipeline. There are no easements other than the Truckee Canal easement that we have an interest in. He presented an agreement that he would like to have our approval for. The document is an agreement between TCID and Basecamp and would allow the encroachment of 20' into the 100' easement for the house until the house burns down, is extensively remodeled, or added onto. The committee asked if Mr. O'Conner had talked to the BOR. He had not, so the committee provided him with the information he needed to get BOR approval.</p>
<p>8. <u>Review Bridge at 3499 Schindler Road – Barbara Blakely</u></p> <p>The committee recommends that the Table for Drain Crossings also be applied to Canal and Lateral Crossings for the division of labor and costs.</p> <p>A letter will be sent to the owners requesting that they remove the bridge or TCID will remove it. The bridge needs to be torn out and re-built with a box culvert at the owner's expense.</p>	<p>Ms. Barbara Blakely and Martin Keeney were present to discuss the issue with the committee. Walter had pictures of the bridge structure that is showing signs of failure. It is the only access that Ms. Blakely has to gain access to her home. Recently weeds filled the area under the bridge and caused the water to go around and further erode the area around her bridge. There are fences on both sides of the lateral to allow grazing of the ditch bank to keep the weeds down. However, there is no grazing being done in the area where the bridge is; therefore weeds grow abundantly in the ditch. When the weeds were cleaned out from the ditch and under the bridge they were piled on the bank. Mr. Keeney felt that we should clean that up. The committee felt a little helpless in this instance and in many other instances that may arise. Private crossings that are causing or could cause an obstruction in laterals are not the responsibility of the District to replace or maintain. However, the owners of these crossings are senior citizens and/or individuals that do not have the resources to replace these ailing structures. TCID may have the right to remove obstructions in laterals but then we leave a person without an access to their home.</p>

- **Approve Reduction of Easement Encroachment on Moody Lane by Churchill Co. Water Facility**

John Collins of KG Walters attended for public comment on this issue. The Board had several questions of Mr. Collins. **President Ernie Schank** asked if this was all on TCID easements. Mr. Collins said that as far as he knew, it was on TCID easements. Mr. Collins confirmed that KG Walters was responsible for putting in the sewer treatment plant and crossing the Wade drain out to 50' south of the Wade drain. A & K has the contract for the pipeline from there all the way back down Moody Lane to Rice Road. It is all within the TCID right-of-way. The Wade drain is about 1,000 feet south of the treatment plant. The T13 goes right through the center of Old River Reservoir. The KG Walters contract is for an 8" forced sewage main line that goes

underneath the drain and a 36" RCP culvert so that they can cross over the drain for road access to the site. Where Moody Lane ends, KG Walters road improvement begins.

The Board specified that they do not want concrete pipe because it will eventually wear due to friction of carrying the flow. ADS pipe would carry the flow with no problem. **Walter Winder, O&M Foreman** also suggested that there be headwalls both upstream and downstream or at a minimum, an upstream headwall.

Mr. Collins informed the Board that they are scheduled for the pre-construction meeting with the county and Shaw Engineering on the 17th of July, with a notice to proceed starting on July 23rd. The first order of work is to get the forced main installed and get the crossing put in so that there is access to the site. He has not yet ordered concrete pipe but will need to place an order this week to stay on schedule. **President Ernie Schank** stated that the issue of using concrete pipe needs to be addressed immediately. He requested that if the Board was agreeable to a culvert that they specify it not be concrete but 42" ADS pipe. With the changes requested on the permit, the Board will need to notify Churchill County and Shaw Engineering.

A **motion** was made by **Director Ray Peterson** to require a box culvert on the crossing at Wade Lane on T13 on Moody Lane according to District policy and that the size be determined by the District engineering department, which would be a minimum of 4' wide by 3' deep opening unless engineering determines otherwise, and that Churchill County be notified immediately seconded by **Director Larry Miller** and unanimously approved.

Walter Winder will check the TC13 for KG Walters to see what needs to be done to divert during construction, if necessary.

- **Approve Reduction of Easement for Fernley No. 1 Drain, Piped in 1995**

Director Ray Peterson reported that the easement was never reduced when piped in 1995. There is no public to notify at the location of the reduction that would be effected by an approval of the reduction of the easement. In 1995 the reduction of easement was only notated on the original map drawings but it was not reflected in the minutes of the meeting.

A **motion** was made by **Director Richard Harriman** to approve reduction of the easement for the Fernley No. 1 Drain piped in 1995 from 100' to 35' seconded by **Director Ray Peterson** and unanimously approved.

- **Approve Extension of A9-3 to E1 for Efficiency of Operation**

The length of the extension is a one quarter of a mile. The extension will result in not having to run water all the way down E1 since the property in the middle has been sold to USFW and is very difficult to maintain. The E1 ditch will remain for emergency use but will be bypassed in the regular day to day operations using the A9 instead. **Dave Overvold** stated that the District has a permit from USFW and need only notify them when it will be cleaned.

A **motion** was made by **Director Ray Peterson** to approve the extension of the A9-3 to the E1 for efficiency of operation seconded by **Director Larry Miller** and unanimously approve.

Review/Approve Personnel Matters

A **motion** was made by **Director Lester deBraga** to concur with the recommendations for the performance evaluations seconded by **Director Richard Harriman** and unanimously approved.

Open Discussion

Director Ray Peterson asked the Board if they had had a chance to review the offer presented on the Fernley Land Sale. **President Ernie Schank** informed the Board that although **Director Jerry Blodgett** was not in attendance, he expressed his wishes to sell the property at the last O&M Committee Meeting.

Mr. Kim McCreary contacted Director Ray Peterson and said that he has increased the amount of his offer to double what he had previously offered. He came up with the new offer of 20% more than the adjacent property's purchase price.

Current Offer:	\$537,000.00
Down Payment:	\$100,000.00
Earnest Money:	\$1,000.00
Finance at 10% interest for 10 years	

Mr. McCreary is the agent representing both the seller and the buyer. **Director Ray Peterson** has suggested that should the offer be accepted that the commission be split.

There is an existing lease on the property with the Lion's Club and they must be given 30 days notice. There will be a 90 day escrow from the date of acceptance and the offer is subject to lease expiration.

A letter will be written to the Lion's Club informing them of that an offer has been presented for the purchase of the property, giving them an opportunity of make an offer, as well.

A decision will be made at the August 7, 2007 Board Meeting.

Director Don Travis suggested that after the District provides the safety training and CPR classes for the employees, that the community be notified.

The Board reconvened at 3:55 p.m.

Adjourn

A **motion** was made by **Director Lester deBraga** to adjourn the meeting at 3:55 p.m. seconded by **Director Larry Miller** and unanimously approved.

Ernest C. Schank, President

Ray Peterson, Secretary

Date