

## Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 28, 2020

10:00 am (Mountain Time)

Baker and Murakami Produce

1431 Se 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Ontario, OR 97914

Conference Call Number: 541-896-1824

### Members Present:

- Grant Kitamura, Board President
- Toni Parish (via phone)
- Corey Maag (via phone)
- Jason Pearson

### Staff:

- John L. Braese
- Julie Hicks (via phone)

### Regular Board Meeting Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 am with special guests present:

- Jim Maret
- Mike Walker
- Larry Meyer, Argus Observer (via phone)
- Randi Svaty
- Pat Caldwell, Malheur Enterprise (via phone)

### Discussion and Action: Review and approval of December 31, 2019 meeting minutes.

Board Member Corey Maag made a motion to approve the minutes of January 21, 2020. The motion was seconded by Board Member Jason Pearson. By unanimous vote, the minutes were approved.

### Discussion and Action: Update

Board President Grant Kitamura handed the meeting over to John L. Braese for updates on the project. Braese provided the update due to Officer to the Board Greg Smith's unavailability.

Braese reminded the board no meeting will be held February 4 due to the annual meeting of the Idaho-Malheur County Onion Growers meeting set for that date. Braese also urged board members to attend and announced Smith will be providing a presentation on the reload center at 8:45 a.m. before those attending the meeting.

Braese continued with notice 30 percent design had been completed both on rail and civil design by Anderson Perry and Rail Pros. The 30 percent design regarding the rail has been transmitted to Union Pacific with comments from the rail company's industrial group anticipated to return by end of next week. The civil design has been forwarded to ODOT with comments expected soon.

Braese announced a subcommittee has been created including Board Member Toni Parish to work on zoning and covenants for the new facility. Braese urged all members of the board to forward any ideas or concerns regarding covenants to Parish and the subcommittee for consideration.

Mike Walker advised preliminary work on the site be started as soon as possible and negotiations with the former landowner be conducted to determine crop planting. Braese said Anderson Perry was scheduled to meet with the former landowner later next week and discuss the construction schedule.

**Adjournment:**

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 10:18 am.

Respectfully Submitted:  
Greg Smith, Officer to the Board