

Malheur County Development Corporation Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 6, 2020
10:00 am (Mountain Time)
Conference Call Number: 541-896-1824
Meeting held via telephone

Members Present:

- Grant Kitamura, Board President
- Kay Riley
- Greg Smith
- Corey Maag
- Jason Pearson
- Randi Svaty

Guests:

- Brad Baird (joined call at 10:20a)
- Larry Wilson, Malheur County Commission
- Pat Caldwell, Malheur Enterprise

Staff

- Ryan Bailey
- Julee Hicks

Regular Board Meeting Call to Order and Approval of Minutes:

Board President Grant Kitamura called the meeting to order at 10:02 am. Kitamura referenced minutes of the September 22nd board meeting. Kay Riley moved to accept the board meeting minutes as presented. Randi Svaty offered a second. Minutes for the board meeting held September 22nd were accepted unanimously.

Kitamura asked Greg Smith, MCDC Officer to the Board, to present an update on the Treasure Valley Reload Center. Smith said later in the morning he would be talking with the TVRC potential operator and discussing an operating/ownership agreement. As that information is received, it will be shared with the board. Additionally, Smith met last week with the potential operator's design team. He noted the potential operator offered their gratitude to Brad Baird and the Anderson Perry team for their work.

Smith also referenced:

- Receipt of the draft track agreement from Union Pacific.
- Continued work on the Memorandum of Understanding regarding the rail closure on Gem Avenue.
- Insurance coverage for the TVRC and MCDC board.
- Potential business relocation interest.

- Darigold business visit to Ontario.
- TVRC year-end financial review.

Brad Baird, civil engineer for the TVRC project and President of Anderson Perry, offered his update on the reload center. Baird shared two main areas of concentration at present:

- The Memorandum of Understanding with Froerer Farms for the Gem Avenue closure.
- The contracting schedule and ODOT's fund release timeline.

Lastly, Kitamura noted Kris Strickler, the ODOT Director, is working toward an upcoming site visit regarding the TVRC project.

It was determined an executive session was not needed. Kitamura asked if there was any further business to come before the board. With no further discussion, Grant Kitamura adjourned the meeting at 10:34am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Greg Smith, Officer to the Board