

Malheur County Development Corporation Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 11, 2020
10:00 am (Mountain Time)
Conference Call Number: 541-896-1824

Meeting held via telephone

Members Present:

- Grant Kitamura, Board President
- Randi Svaty
- Corey Maag
- Jason Pearson

Guests:

- Brad Baird, Anderson Perry
- Mike Walker
- Larry Meyer, Argus Observer

Staff

- Julee Hicks
- Ryan Bailey

Regular Board Meeting Call to Order and Approval of Minutes:

Board President Grant Kitamura called the meeting to order at 10:06 am. With a quorum present, Kitamura asked for any discussion regarding the July 28, 2020 meeting minutes. Jason Pearson moved to accept the minutes as presented. Randi Svaty offered a second and the minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

Regarding a report for the reload center, Kitamura referenced the recent Weekly Update that was shared on Friday, August 7th. Additional points addressed included the Monthly Progress Report submitted last week on Wednesday, August 5th; shipper destination and volume information survey assistance through Lonny Hytrek's office; the 65 acre survey work by Jed Payne Appraisal; and, Malheur County assisting in correspondence to Nutrien regarding potential building demolition.

Brad Baird, civil engineer for the TVRC project and President of Anderson Perry, said the Arcadia subdivision plan has undergone multiple revisions and at present has been submitted to the Malheur County Surveyor for a last review.

Baird also referenced the Gem Avenue rail crossing. UPRR has shared that the crossing either be closed or become a public crossing, which will signify extreme expense. Baird noted the affected individuals are working with the TVRC partners toward an alternative.

Kitamura asked if meeting guests had questions or comments.

Mike Walker asked Baird about the construction contracts and the request for bid scheduling. Baird noted the project is proceeding to the schedule appropriately.

Walker also commented on the shipper survey information that is presently being solicited. Walker questioned the survey work enacted in 2019 and why completion had not yet been realized. Kitamura and staff explained there were two separate survey requests. The earlier survey was addressed and completed. He shared that the current criteria request resulted from the potential terminal operator's recent visit in July. Also reviewed was the specificity of the recent data request.

Kitamura asked if there was any further business to come before the board. With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 10:18 am, by Board President, Grant Kitamura.

Respectfully Submitted:

Greg Smith, Officer to the Board