

MOLOKAI IRRIGATION SYSTEM ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
MINUTES

10:00 am, March 22, 2010

- I. Call to Order: James Boswell, Chairman, called the meeting to order @ 10:07 am.
Board Members Present: Steven Arce, James Boswell, Audwin Calairo, Lynn DeCoite and Larry Sagario

Guest: Duane Okamoto, Brian Kau, Randy Teruya, and Oscar Ignacio, HDOA... (see sign in sheet)

- II. Approval of Agenda: Lynn DeCoite moved to accept the agenda; seconded by Larry Sagario ; motion carried.

- III. Approval of Minutes: Lynn DeCoite moved to accept the minutes (w/ or w/out amendments); seconded by Larry Sagario ; motion carried.

IV. Old Business

A. System Update – Reported by Oscar Ignacio:

- Water level in reservoir @ 18.5'; compared to 21.5' last year at same time.
- 5.001 mgd reservoir inflow; 2.513 mgd reservoir outflow.
- MPL Inflow = 0.936 mgd; Outflow = 0.566 mgd and
- MPL Buffer in reservoir = 20.0 MG.
- Staff has been flushing out transmission lines and inspecting the ARV's on a monthly basis without any problems.
- Inspections on the reservoir was also done with no seepage and no erosion detected.
- On February 19, 2010, MIS staff and DOFAW personnel removed a boulder from the roadway leading to the West Portal entrance.
- Broken concrete flume lids were removed from the flume.
- On March 8, 2010, discovered chain on Manila Camp gate was cut. Inspections were made and no discrepancies were noted. DOFAW assisted MIS staff in welding a metal box to lock the gate without use of a chain.
- MIS staff continued to cut Halekoa trees in the reservoir.

B. Capital Project Update – Randolph Teruya

As of March 12, 2010, contractor has completed 98% of the contracted work. The last outstanding item is unclogging Blow-off #10. Contractor was to return to Molokai in mid to late February to complete the work, however, was delayed due to unforeseen circumstances. Contractor has rescheduled the work to be completed by the end of May 2010.

C. Board Representative – Organization Reports

- Hawaii Farm Bureau has requested the status of filling staff vacancies. Randy replied that we have hired Lance Kaneakua on a 89-day (temporary) basis and Lance has applied for and is qualified to be employed on a full-time, permanent basis. He will be required to take a general physical and upon submission and review of the physician's report, may be offered a permanent position.
- Regarding the one other vacant position, Randy is working with the Department of Human Service Development to prepare and advertise a recruitment notice for Byron's former position.

D. Financial Status of M.I.S. – Duane Okamoto

- Duane reported that MIS revenue, as of January 31, 2010, was \$276,957; with expenses of \$193,366, generating a surplus of \$83,591.
- Overall, revenue was down by 3.5% compared to last year, at this time.
- Comparing expenses and surpluses over the last fiscal year, the current fiscal year's expenses are 23.9% lower contributing to the higher surplus in the current fiscal year.

E. Accounts Receivable Discussions – Duane Okamoto

- Duane reported that 99% of the Accounts Receivable were homesteader accounts and that the accounts receivable increased over the past fiscal year from 78 accountholders to 85 accountholders.
- The total receivable amount also increased from \$229,101 to \$291,656; a 27.3% increase.
- Lynn suggested the board develop an action plan to address the delinquencies.
- Audwin stated that he understands Lynn's suggestion, however, he is concerned about the current users. He agrees that any accounts receivable action should be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- Randy asked that any board member having a suggestion in addressing the accounts receivable issue to please forward a written statement to him.

F. Status of Filling Molokai Irrigation System Water Users Advisory Board Vacancy – Duane Okamoto

- Duane reported that the Boards and Commissions Office have completed background checks on Moke Kim. Once the Governor's Office approves the nomination, they will send a Governor's Message to the legislature and schedule a confirmation hearing.

- SB-633 authorizing an expansion of the MISWUAB, had a hearing in the House on March 17th, however, results of the committee were not immediately posted.

G. Development of MISWUAB Mission Statement

- Duane handed out information regarding the board's statutory duties and responsibilities and several suggested mission statement. All board members were asked to review the suggested mission statements and/or submit a recommendation for another mission statement.
- The board will revisit this matter at the next (May) meeting and board members will be asked to select a statement for the MIS.

V. Next Meeting

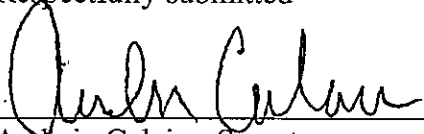
- Next scheduled board meeting shall be 10:00 am, May 18, 2010.

VI. Announcements:

- Lynn DeCoite announced the Molokai Ag Community Fair at the Lanikeha Community Center on May 1, 2010.
- Duane handed out a list of "Performance Measures for Management of the MIS" to be discussed at the next board meeting.

VIII. Meeting adjourned @ 10:50 am, motion by Lynn DeCoite; seconded by Larry Sagario.
Motioned carried.

Respectfully submitted



Audwin Calairo, Secretary
MIS Water Users Advisory Board