THREE SISTERS IRRIGATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING — MINUTES

Date: November 10, 2026
Meeting Begins: 10:00 AM
Location: District Office, 68000 Highway 20, Bend, Oregon 97703

Remote attendance available via the meeting notice on the District's website.

CALL TO ORDER: 10:05 AM by Joe Elwing

IN ATTENDANCE: Directors Joe Elwing (in person) and Marc Thalacker (by Teams)

ABSENT: Director Mark Koos

STAFF PRESENT: Emilia Ellington, District Manager

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Seth Flanders, Jackie Elwing, Sarah Goodwin, Sharie Ford, Nicole Sandkulla, Mike Biggers, Shawn Biggers

Announcements:

At the end of today's agenda, we will take public comments. Each person is limited to three minutes. We ask that everyone keep their comments civil and focused on District business. However, if members of the public disregard this direction, we will adjourn the meeting.

Presentation:

- Deschutes Soil and Water Conservation District – Irrigation Grant Program (Seth Flanders)

Discussion / Notes:

- Opportunity for farmer upgrades (SWAP).
- Other funding is also available for the private laterals; not the same deadline as SWAP.
- For Fryrear Phase II, probably EQIP.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Inclusion Petition — 69695 Holmes Road, Sisters; Tax Lot 1411280000501

- Comments received on the petition
- Board review of comments
- Board decision on the petition

Discussion / Notes:

Biggers sent a letter and commented. Concerns include losing water or water pressure. Question raised: does beneficial use have to be shown to TSID, or is it wholly on OWRD to determine? Director Thalacker said it is OWRD's to determine and is in statute.

Inclusion order to be completed, recorded with the county, and the boundary changed; paid by Bejan.

Motion to include Bejan's tax lot in the District.

Motion: Thalacker / **Second:** Elwing / **Vote:** Majority

2. Potential Sale of Surplus District Assets

Discussion / Notes:

- Front end loader – what are the hours?
- Cat wagon – once Watson is cleaned.
- Get equipment list.

No motion needed.

3. Minutes

- Consideration of Regular Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – October 13, 2026

Discussion / Notes:

No additional discussion was recorded.

Motion: Thalacker / **Second:** Elwing / **Vote:** Majority

4. Monthly Review of Financial Transactions

a. Previous Month's Transaction Reports

i. Transactions to be Approved — Period: October 1 – October 31, 2026

Discussion / Notes:

No additional discussion was recorded.

Motion: Thalacker / **Second:** Elwing / **Vote:** Majority

b. Checks to be Approved — Period: October 1 – October 31, 2026

i. First Interstate Bank – Operating Account (1110)

Question raised as to why the report says "Gross Pay"; this is not a legal pay stub. The new report shows double entries, so it looks like double payments were made instead of showing the payment only. Check with QBO and Capstone. Approve after fixed, at the December meeting.

ii. First Interstate Bank – Main Canal Project Account (1140)

Fix for 1140 as well.

iii. Local Government Investment Pool (1250) – Review Only

No additional discussion was recorded.

c. Reconciled Statements to be Approved — Period: September 1 – September 30, 2026

i. First Interstate Bank – Master Card (2320)

ii. First Interstate Bank – Operating Account (1110)

iii. First Interstate Bank – Main Canal Project Account (1140)

iv. U.S. Bank – North Hurtley Electric Account (1190)

Motion: Thalacker / **Second:** Elwing / **Vote:** Majority

5. Financial Report

- Operating Budget Report
- Capital Budget Report

Discussion / Notes:

Account 6499 – expenses shown are reduced by an entry the auditors used as a holder to clean up AP and AR before migration.

6. Water and Hydro Report

- Meter Repairs –
- Operations & Maintenance –
- Operational Technology –
- McKenzie Hydro –

Discussion / Notes:

No additional discussion was recorded.

7. Updates

- Director Koos's Questions to District Counsel Concerning Resolution No. 2026-02 –
- Grievance Filed by Director Koos Regarding Director Elwing –
- Letter Sent to Patrons by Director Koos –
- Water Rights Available for Sale – Patron Thomas Shuster is offering 1895-priority water rights with supplemental well rights. Interested parties should contact him promptly: Thomas.A.Shuster@gmail.com | (612) 670-8959
- 2027 Annual Water Leasing Program – Deschutes River Conservancy – The District has received the 2027 instream leasing documents and is considering proposed changes.

Discussion / Notes:

Response to Director Koos's letter read aloud. For patrons who want to listen, it begins at 1:05:55 on the recording.

8. Letters to the Board

Discussion / Notes:

None.

9. Water User's Comments and Concerns

Discussion / Notes:

Request that the response be included in the minutes. See Item 7.

10. Board Member Comments

Discussion / Notes:

None recorded.

ADJOURN: 11:42 AM by Joe Elwing

Second: Thalacker / **Vote:** Majority

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Joe Elwing, President **DATE**

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Marc Thalacker, Vice President **DATE**

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Mark Koos, Treasurer **DATE**

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