

Greenfields

IRRIGATION DISTRICT

On Tuesday, April 21st, 2026, at 6:30 P.M. the Greenfields Irrigation District (GID) held its Monthly Board meeting. The following are the minutes taken from that meeting. Those in attendance were: President Tim Brunner, Vice President Chase Brady, Commissioners Chris Ostberg, Dave Gulick. and Pat Brosten, along with Tony Clark who will be assuming Precinct #1 position next month. District Manager Erling Juel and Board Secretary Jenny Gulick were also present, along with GID Employees Eric Mayer, Tony May and Cory Copenhaver. Jason Hahn with BOR were also present, along with Tracy Wendt with SRWG and Drew Pearson with WWC.

The meeting was called to order by President Brunner at 6:30 P.M. President Brunner reminded the group that public comment would be accepted but held to a maximum of 5 minutes per individual.

Board to Approve Meeting Minutes and Monthly Warrants: The first item of business was to approve the minutes from the March 17th, 2026, Regular Meeting. Commissioner Brosten moved to approve the minutes, and VP Brady seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried. Next the Executive Session Meeting Minutes were reviewed. There was one name change needed in the minutes and with that minor amendment, VP Brady moved to approve the minutes with Commissioner Ostberg seconding. All were in favor and the minutes were approved. The April warrants were then reviewed with brief discussion regarding the AFFCO warrant being the returned bid bond payment and that the \$86,000 warrant was for culvert that will be reimbursed by grant funds in a couple of weeks. Commissioner Brosten moved to approve the warrants and VP Brady seconded. All were in favor and the warrants were approved.

Parties Presenting Issues: Drew Pearson with WWC had already presented during the special meeting with the FCA that occurred prior to this meeting. Bob Beck was present as the spokesman for the Fairfield Cattlemen's Association and asked the Board what its members could expect to see for an increase in the organization's annual AUM fee paid to GID every December. There is a brief discussion held and Commissioner Brosten made a motion to increase the AUMs by 20%, which would be a \$3/AUM increase to total \$18/AUM. Commissioner Gulick seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Contacts to Execute: None.

Manager's Report:

Reservoir and River Operations: See M.R. for full details. Gibson is 81% of full, which is about 15 feet from full as is 197% of normal for this time of year. Snowpack is hovering around 57% of normal, but the upper snowpack level is holding steady. Willow Creek Reservoir is getting topped off currently, but Pishkun has quite a bit of filling left to do. National Climate Prediction is now predicting above normal temps and below normal precipitation for April-June and July-September The PSC will start filling tomorrow and will take 9-13 days to fill. Manager Juel is trying to coordinate the filling of Pishkun with the releases to the project for the 2026 water season. We are anticipating a startup date of the first week in May, with 500-600 CFS needed to flush the project beforehand.

Water Rights: Nothing new.

GID Staff Updates: We are still currently down 1 ditch rider and are waiting to see if the applicant accepts our offer.

Office Improvements & General Administration: During a recent windstorm, one of our electrical distribution poles was damaged which triggered a complete reconfiguration of our on-site power. The proposed changes to the Board Policies need to be reviewed and approved at the next Board meeting in May, a handout provided to the Board.

GIS Mapping, Plats, Database & Certification Updates: Certification packets have been sent out, and we have received about 25% of them back currently.

Farm Unit Operations: Wade and Conrad Jacobsen would like to combine two farm units, FU 887.2 and 885.1 into one farm unit. Board to discuss and approve during the Agenda portion of the meeting.

Monthly Financials & 2025 Budget: See the M.R. for further details regarding accounts receivable and payable for March. See the updated Budget provided.

GID Vehicles & Heavy Equipment: The Dam Tender needs his truck replaced with a used 4x4 ¾ Ton. The CAT 320 Excavator proposal will be decided on at tonight's meeting.

Spencer Pearson Lawsuit: We continue to struggle to get meaningful responses to GID's discovery requests. A motion to compel was filed with the Court on April 7th. See the Depositions timeline provided. GID's Attorney will be present at next month's meeting to provide an update.

Willow Creek Feeder Canal Improvements: Still no follow-up correspondence from BOR.

Hydro Updates: General: See the M.R for details. General- Turnbull Hydro LLC wants their easements back. Arnold Coulee- Unfortunately the site will not be on-line in 2026. Transmission Design & Construction: Unfortunately, the site will not be on-line in 2026. PPA- Discussions and negotiations with NWE, SPP & WAPA are still ongoing. See the handout provided with updated cost comparisons of gross revenue between NWE and Basin's SPP. Pishkun Inlet: LOPP: We have received the final LOPP Agreement to review and execute, handout provided. The Bond Resolution loan will close on May 7th and we are looking to invest some of those funds in a short-term CD. Johnson Drop: Nothing new. A-Drop- nothing new. Gibson Hydro: A kick-off meeting was held April 2nd with Sorenson Engineering, WWC Engineering, SREC, Russ, Manager Juel and a few commissioners.

GID Infrastructure Projects: For Current and Planned, see the M.R. Mary Taylor Facility: We received notice of a \$4 Million CDS award from Rep. Downing's office, which will be a 75%-25% cost share. Sun River Bridge Crossing: Overall we are still on schedule. Tunnel #3: A preconstruction meeting is set for May 5th in Helena. See a handout provided for the contractor's schedule. Pishkun Outlet Replacement: The cultural resources study will be completed in May sometime. Our funding application for \$19,054,209 was awarded by BOR.

O&M Projects and Update: O&M Foreman Mayer informed the Board that he had bulk diesel fuel ordered from MVC.

Title Transfer: Nothing new to report.

GID Grazing Lease Program: Already discussed in the Parties Presenting Issues portion of the meeting.

Short and Long-Term To-Do Lists: See the M.R. for details.

Agenda:

- 1) Board to review and decide upon the awarding of the Ag Scholarship applications. Board elected to take two weeks for further review and decide on May 1st.
- 2) Board to review and approve the request from Wade and Conrad Jacobsen to combine farm units into one farm unit, see handout. VP Brady made a motion to approve the request and Commissioner Brosten seconded. All in favor and the motion carried.
- 3) Board to decide on the allotment to begin the 2026 water season with. A brief discussion was held, and all were in agreement that we start the season at a 1.5-foot allotment, with excess water and ½ price water availability to be determined at a later time.
- 4) Board to decide on the proposal obtained for the purchase of the new excavator. After brief discussion, the Board determined it would like to see if there is a cash discount offered for government entities, as well as finding out more about some financing options. The Board decided to move forward with the purchase, as long as the members are able to weigh in on the purchase details. All in favor and the Board approved moving forward with the purchase.
- 5) Board already discussed and decided on the AUM rate for the Community Pastures.

Public Comment: Tracy Wendt with the SRWG gave the Board a brief update. She let them know that SRWG is getting a drone and that they had hired WGM out of Choteau to perform the Floweree Canal scope and to develop a PER for the project. She also thanked the Board for the Spring donation provided of \$5,000 and informed them that the Muddy Creek project has been delayed another year.

Jason Hahn informed the Board that Clayton with BOR would be attending the FSID Board meeting in May to go over River releases with them.

Commissioner Brosten moved to adjourn the meeting and VP Brady seconded. All in favor and the meeting is adjourned at 17:58 P.M.


Board President


Board Secretary

Board Action Recap:

- Board tabled the decision to be made regarding the awarding of the Ag Scholarships until May 1st.
- Board approved the request from Wade and Conrad Jacobsen to combine farm units.
- Board decided to start the 2026 water season around the 1st week of May at a 1.5-foot allotment.
- Board decided to move forward with the purchase of the new excavator with purchase details approved by them once obtained.
- Board decided to set the AUM for the Community Pastures for the upcoming grazing season at \$18/AUM.



AGENDA FOR: Greenfields Irrigation District's Board Meeting: Tuesday, April 21st, 2026, at 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by Board President, Tim Brunner.

Public Comment: Prior to each agenda item...limited to 5 minutes...any Board action necessary will be addressed at the next regular meeting.

APPROVE THE MINUTES: March 17th Regular Meeting Minutes and Executive Session Minutes to be approved by the Board.

REVIEW AND APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT—Approve March warrants and recap list.

PARTIES PRESENTING: Drew Pearson with WWC Engineering will be present to answer questions regarding the GID SCADA PER, draft provided to Erling for review.

CONTRACTS TO EXECUTE:

MANAGER's REPORT

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Ag Scholarship Selection- Board to review and select this year's Ag Scholarship Winners, handouts and scoring sheet provided.
2. Board to review and approve the request from Wade and Conrad Jacobsen to combine farm units 887.2 and 885.1 and then delete the old 885.1 farm unit, see handout.
3. Board to decide on 2026 Water Season start date and allotment.
4. Board to make a decision on the purchase of the new excavator.
5. Board to discuss the AUM rate for the Community Pastures.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- SRWG, Tracy Wendt to give the Board a brief update.
- Jason Hahn with the USBR to give the Board a brief update.

Monthly Warrant List
GREENFIELDS IRRIGATION DISTRICT
March 2026

DATE	NUM	VENDOR	AMOUNT
03/03/2026	38914	Western Water Consultants, Inc.	0.00
03/04/2026	38933	TB - 941	-8,100.42
03/04/2026	38934	TB - SWT	-979.00
03/04/2026	38935	TB - MPERA	-6,497.06
03/05/2026	38936	AFFCO.	-249,000.00
03/09/2026	38937	Western Water Consultants, Inc.	-8,600.00
03/09/2026	38938	Nick Konen	-500.00
03/09/2026	38939	Old West Lumber, Inc	-38.33
03/10/2026	38941	US Postal Service	-370.00
03/16/2026	38982	Levi Ostberg	-552.00
03/16/2026	38983	Town of Fairfield	-141.00
03/16/2026	38984	Sun River Electric, Co-Op	-324.45
03/16/2026	38985	Sun River Electric, Co-Op	-56.09
03/20/2026	39013	TB - MPERA	-6,590.27
03/18/2026	39011	TB - 941	-8,242.75
03/18/2026	39012	TB - SWT	-1,001.00
03/18/2026	39014	General Distributing Co	-79.13
03/19/2026	39015	Local Government Service Bureau	-75.00
03/19/2026	39016	Teamster's Local #2	-949.00
03/30/2026	39017	Pinion, Don	-599.00
03/30/2026	39018	USPS.	-213.05
03/10/2026	38940	GM Financial	-1,692.96
03/31/2026	39060	Teton Trucks	-85.01
03/31/2026	39061	Tractor & Equipment, Co	-70.50
03/31/2026	39062	Visa	-1,307.68
03/31/2026	39063	Republic Services	-147.52
03/31/2026	39064	Western Conference of Teamsters Pension	-2,689.56
03/31/2026	39065	3 Rivers Communication	-623.60
03/31/2026	39066	7 Electric	-5,760.00
03/31/2026	39067	Western Water Consultants, Inc.	-18,113.75
03/31/2026	39068	Choteau Acantha	-102.50
03/31/2026	39069	Montana Materials & Construction	-14,055.00
03/31/2026	39070	Uda Law Firm	-1,350.00
03/31/2026	39071	Platt	-14.89
03/31/2026	39072	Edge Marketing + Design, LLC	-5,095.00
03/31/2026	39073	Sun River Watershed Group	-5,000.00
03/31/2026	39074	Mountain View Co-Op	-697.30
03/31/2026	39075	Sun Times Printing & Publishing LLC	-367.25
03/31/2026	39076	Rootin' Tootin' Poopers	-260.00
03/31/2026	39077	Victory Insurance Company	-1,425.00
03/31/2026	39078	Breen Oil and Tire Company	-810.66
03/31/2026	39079	Home Depot Credit Services	-1,627.23
03/31/2026	39080	Northwest Media	-27.50
03/31/2026	39081	R&L Eagle Grocery	-42.97
03/31/2026	39082	Ace Hardware	-1,224.81
03/31/2026	39083	Teton Accounting, Inc.	-1,300.25
03/31/2026	39084	Mills Motor, Co.	-260.36

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DATE	NUM	VENDOR	AMOUNT
03/31/2026	39085	Pacific Steel	-21,596.16
03/31/2026	39086	GM Financial	-846.48
03/31/2026	39087	Contech Engineered Solutions	-85,754.40
TOTAL			-\$465,255.89

Recap of March 2026 warrants:
Regular warrants
March 2026 payroll
Total

\$465,255.89
\$ 54,483.84
\$519,739.73

Approved by  Date _____
President
Submitted by  Date _____
Bookkeeper