

**EMERGENCY MEETING MINUTES**  
**March 15, 2021**  
**64697 Cook Avenue**  
**Bend, Oregon 97703**

BOARD: Ron Cochran, Jack Farley, Steve Putnam, Martin Warbington, Carol Shull  
STAFF: Chris Schull, April Harris Spath  
ATTORNEY: Mark Reinecke

Chairman Cochran called the emergency board meeting to order at 12:36 p.m. and appointed April Harris Spath scribe.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT**

At 12:36 p.m. the Board recessed the regular session and entered executive session per:

- ORS 192.660(2)(a) To consider the employment of an officer, employee, staff member or agent.
- ORS 192.660(2)(h): To consult with your attorney regarding your legal rights and duties in regard to current litigation or litigation that is more likely than not to be filed.

**RECONVENE**

Following the executive session, the regular session was reconvened at 1:36 p.m.

**STAFF RESTRUCTURING**

Ken Rieck's recent resignation as District Manager was discussed. The Board decided to keep Rieck on as an employee, allowing him to use his accrued time off, which will end May 21, 2021, at which time the Board will revisit the subject of his employment with the District and his desire to return as a part time employee in a different capacity. In the meantime, Interim Manager Schull will prepare a job description for the position that he wishes to offer to Rieck.

**EAKIN CONTRACT**

The note that the District has been holding on 64630 Bill Martin Road with Alex Eakin was due on February 15, 2021. Eakin is still in the process of refinancing and he claimed to be unaware of the late fee that was listed in the contract he signed with the District. The Board discussed the terms of the agreement and decided they were willing to work with Eakin on a settlement offer but holding him accountable for a portion of the 5% late fee. It was also determined that Eakin would be responsible for paying the legal fees that have been incurred in relation to these discussions, as well as the interest that has accrued since February 15, 2021. The settlement offer will be good through March 31, 2021. If the loan is not paid in full by that date, the Board will revisit the matter and discuss how to proceed.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT**

Vice Chair Farley made a motion to return to executive session at 1:45 p.m. Director Warbington seconded the motion.

**RECONVENE**

Following the executive session, the regular session was reconvened at 1:50 p.m.

**EAKIN CONTRACT**

Chairman Cochran made a motion authorizing Attorney Reinecke to negotiate a settlement with Alex Eakin consistent with discussions during executive session. Director Putnam seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**APPOINT SECRETARY TO THE BOARD**

Director Putnam made a motion to appoint Ron Cochran to fill the vacant position of Secretary to the Board. Vice Chair Farley seconded the motion and the appointment was approved unanimously

**ADJOURN**

Vice Chair Farley made a motion to adjourn the emergency board meeting at 2:00 p.m. Director Putnam seconded the motion.