MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING – JULY 14, 2026
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
YAKIMA-TIETON IRRIGATION DISTRICT

The Board meeting was called to order by President Smith at approximately at 12:05 p.m. Present were Directors Andy Judd, Jason Bolin, Chuck Turner, Dan Keller (via zoom), Secretary-Manager Travis Okelberry, H.R. Safety Program Manager Mandy Burkett, Assistant Manager Brian Boyd, Administrative Assistant Laurie Beth Hood, Todd Hunziker and Brittany Huges of Jacobs. Norman Semanko of Parsons Behle & Latimer attended via zoom.

There were six visitors: Chris Paganelli and Mike Van Pelt of Kershaw Fruit, Dan Fuller, Ryan Terrell, Nick Perry, three water users and Julia Long. Nick Perry attended the meeting to discuss any issues with his Permanent Water Transfer requests that were being reviewed by the Board that day. Ryan Terrell attended to discuss the possible re-classification of a piece property within the district that is currently classed as non-irrigable, and the other visitors attended to get up to date with the canal replacement/rehabilitation project.

A motion was made by Director Turner, seconded by Director Bolin and passed, to approve the following consent items:

a. Approve July 14, 2026, Board Meeting Agenda
b. Review/Approve June 5, 2026, Special Board Meeting Minutes
c. Review/Approve June 11, 2026, Regular Board Meeting Minutes
d. Payroll for June 2026 - $145,333.47

Board Organization:

a. Director Dan Keller was recognized for his dedicated service to the Yakima Tieton Irrigation District. (from November 5, 2009, through July 14, 2026).

b. A motion was made by Director Turner, seconded by Director Bolin and passed, to accept Director Keller's resignation, effective July 14th, 2026.

c. Director Judd nominated Chuck Turner to fill the position of Vice President of the Board. A motion was made by Director Judd, seconded by Director Bolin and passed, to elect Chuck Turner to the position of Vice President.

d. A motion was made by Director Turner, seconded by Director Bolin and passed, to provide formal notice of the of the Director vacancy to the Yakima County Board of Commissioners, in accordance with RCW 87.03.081.

After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to table the decision until the August Board meeting on appointing a successor to Director Dan Keller now, or to wait until the next election cycle for the Board of Directors.

A motion was made by Director Judd, seconded by Director Turner and passed, to approve the check register report for June 2026, in the amount of $270,186.23, including authorization of unpaid claims and ratification of previously authorized payments.

At this time, the President addressed the visitors to ask if there were any items they wished to discuss with the Board. Ryan Terrell addressed the board to inquire about a non-irrigable and dry piece of property that his parents purchased and wanted to see if he could reclassify it as irrigable. He was informed of the district requirement that states if the district reclassifies land and allows shares to be moved there, then the district is required to dry up land elsewhere in the district. Visitor Ryan Tyrrell left the meeting at approximately 12:30 pm.

The manager reported on the budget:

a. Power generation and investments will outpace projections.
b. The Main canal line item will be overspent. Some of these line items for the Main canal will be further evaluated and split out to better reflect main canal maintenance vs. main canal repair items.
c. 2027 Budget discussions will begin with staff soon.

A motion was made by Director Turner, seconded by Director Bolin and passed, to approve the following Water and Frost Unit Transfers:

SHARES TRANSFER	*EXISTING SHARES*	*TRANSFERRED SHARES*	*RESULTING SHARES*
FROM: 161401-11009	*17.22*	*-10.22*	*7.0*
CLEMENS VIEW HOLDINGS, LLC			
TO: 171406-22002	*49.54*	*+6.46*	*56.0*
171406-23001	*33.3*	*+2.43*	*35.73*
161401-12007	*33.26*	*+1.33*	*34.59*
TIETON ORCHARD LLC			
FROM: 161536-44002	*9.98*	*-9.98*	*0.0*
HARMONY ORCHARDS LLC			
TO: 161401-11008	*10.75*	*+4.99*	*15.74*
161401-12007	*33.26*	*+4.99*	*38.25*
TIETON ORCHARD LLC			
FROM: 171310-24402	*8.18*	*-8.18*	*0.00*
EAST MOUNTAIN INVESTMENTS			
TO: 171310-21401	*10.65*	*8.18*	*18.83*
RANDY ABHOLD			

FROST UNIT TRANSFER	*FROST UNITS*	*TRANSFERRED FROST*	*RESULTING FROST*
FROM: 161401-11009	*16*	*-16*	*0.0*
CLEMANS VIEW HOLDINGS, LLC			
TO: 171406-22002	*0*	*8*	*8.0*
171406-23001	*0*	*8*	*8.0*
TIETON ORCHARD LLC			

Visitor Nick Perry left the meeting at approximately 12:45.

The Manager reported on the Hazard Mitigation plan. It is still in the review process with the State.

A motion was made by Director Bolin, seconded by Director Turner and passed, to approve Resolution 2026-3: "Continuing the emergency declaration and authorizing ongoing emergency response, emergency procurement, emergency contracting and emergency protective measures for the Rimrock Retreat wildfire and December 2025 Atmospheric River storm damage, affecting the district's main canal infrastructure".

A motion was made by Director Judd, seconded by Director Bolin and passed, to table the discussion on Resolution 2026-4, to approve cattle grazing lease, pursuant to RCW 87.03.136, until the Executive Session.

A motion was made by Director Turner, seconded by Director Bolin and passed, to approve Resolution 2026-5: "Ratifying the District Manager's authorization of Task Order No. 2 (Pilot Project), under the master services agreement with Jacobs engineering, approving payment for services performed, and suspending further work pending future board direction".

A motion was made by Director Bolin, seconded by Director Judd and passed, to approve the Northwest Helicopters LLC service Agreement #NWH/YTID7-26.

The Manager gave an update on the CCWUA: The Manager notified the board that there is an ecology curtailment order from the Department of Ecology, requesting that YTID reduce flows to CCWUA. YTID is unsure of any obligation it has to reduce the flow to CCWUA, as CCWUA is entitled to whatever water is in the creek. YTID is working with Ecology on who will manage this and how this will be managed going forward.

The DTG follow up discussion was unnecessary because the Water user that requested the information did not attend the Board meeting.

HR Safety Program update given by District Manager:

a. Manager Burkett reminded the Directors that OPMA certificates are still outstanding from Ron Smith, Chuck Turner and Jason Bolin.
b. Assistant Treasurer recruitment is still ongoing. The job was reposted with modified job description, allowing for experience and skills in-lieu-of education.
c. The crew has completed its safety and flagger training requirements for 2026.
d. Before filling the vacant Project Coordinator position, Management will evaluate the district's long term organizational needs.

O & M Projects report: Brian Boyd:

a. YTID is currently running 290 CFS in the canal in anticipation of the hot weather forecast.
b. The crew repaired the 30" valve in the hydro and it is running fine now.
c. The weeds are out of control around the canal and square flume. Uribes Tree service has cleared many trees, allowing the crews to access these areas for weed control. Also, Junior has been weed-eating the areas around at the headgates.

The Manager report: Travis Okelberry

a. TWSA River ops: The Rimrock reservoir storage is at 93% of average and all storage is at 89.9% of average. Mild conditions and precipitation resulted in pro-rationing increase from 52% to 56%.
b. Main Canal rehab and replacement project update:
    a. Funding: It was reiterated that YTID has been approved for $80 million through Reclamation (XM).
    b. EXM loan: The USBR response appears segmented and additionally, USBR staffing and design review costs will be included in the YTID XM agreement.
    c. The 2nd TSC Trip Report should be provided to YTID soon.
    d. The 30-year treasury yield (XM) has increased to 5.1%, up from the original 4.72%. Financial consensus and some models project moderate increases from 5.3% to 5.5% percent later in 2026.
    e. A FEMA site visit will be this Thursday and Friday, July 16th and 17th.
    f. Next Steps:
        i. Pilot project discussion: USBR indicating the steel liner project are unlikely to move forward this off-season due to competing reclamation priorities and limited staffing.
c. Public outreach/ election:
    a. Public outreach: The Board requested that the Manager begin outreach to the water users to bring them up to date what the district has been studying and the costs involved. Manager concerned, we do not have authority from USBR to construct a project and will need to complete the Value Planning (VP) and Value Engineering (VE) process to begin the Pilot project as well. The Manager also reported that he contacted a bond broker to inquire about a Financial Analysis and Debt Capacity Assessment.

Jacobs Engineering Report: Todd Hunziker

a. Task Order 21 update: (Retreat Fire Response)

1. A motion was made by Director Turner, seconded by Director Judd and passed, to amend #4 of Task Order 21.

2. Jacobs is moving forward with repairs at the footings at MP 9.1.

3. Task Order 7 – Emergency Action Planning: Jacobs is preparing several emergency contacts ahead of time, so that contractors will be able to mobilize immediately should a disaster strike the canal.

b. Task Order 1, Canal design 30% update – Amendment 2

1. A motion was made by Director Bolin, seconded by Director Turner and passed, to approve amendment 2 to Task order 1, which will allow Jacob's to support the Manager with grant funding and public outreach.

2. Jacobs has been de-scoping and de-funding some tasks, which will return approximately half a million to the district.

A motion was made by Director Turner, seconded by Director Bolin and passed, to approve the purchase of 20' of pipe in the amount of $72,960.00. This pipe will be sectioned into 10', 6' and 4' lengths and used to determine the size pipe that will most easily be maneuvered in the canal.

The following visitors: Chris Paganelli, Mike Van Pelt, Dan Fuller and Julia Long all left the meeting at approximately 2:45 p.m. Brittany Huges and Todd Hunziker of Jacobs also let the meeting at approximately 2:45 p.m.

At approximately 2:47 p.m., President Smith declared that the Board would go into Executive session in accordance with RCW 42.30.110 (i) and RCW 42.30.110 (iii), to discuss with legal counsel matters relating to agency enforcement actions, litigation, or potential litigation, and legal risks of proposed actions or current practices, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency. The duration of this executive session would be approximately 30 minutes and would be extended via public announcement, at 3:17 p.m. At 3:17 p.m., the meeting was extended via public announcement, to 3:50 p.m. (At 3:17 p.m., President Smith left the Executive Session and Vice-President Chuck Turner assumed the proceedings). At approximately 3:50 p.m., the meeting was extended, via public announcement, to 4:05 p.m. At approximately 4:05 p.m., the executive session ended.

After the Executive Session, a motion was made by Director Judd, seconded by Director Bolin and passed, to proceed with publication of the statutory notice of the District's intent to negotiate a cattle grazing lease pursuant to RCW 87.03.136, to incorporate the Board's direction regarding the proposed lease terms and rental amount and to return the proposed lease agreement and resolution to the Board for formal consideration and action following completion of the statutory notice requirements.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:05 p.m. by Vice President Turner.

Ron Smith

RON SMITH, PRESIDENT

TRAVIS OKELBERRY, SECRETARY-MANAGER

CHUCK TURNER, VICE PRESIDENT

YAKIMA-TIETON IRRIGATION DISTRICT
JULY 2026

Vendor Check No. 4785 and 4896-4940, Payroll Check No. 4786-4895

PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED AND DISBURSED (SUBJECT TO BOARD REVIEW AND RATIFICATION)

CHECK NO.	VENDOR NAME	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	No. of Invoices Paid
4855	Northwest Helicopters LLC	MP 9.1 PIPE BRIDGE PIER FOOTING - 50% deposit	$ 63,785.00	
4911	Global Rock Works LLC	MP 9.1 PIPE BRIDGE PIER FOOTING	$ 70,950.00	1
4917	JACOBS ENGINERRING GROUP INC	TO21 (Retreat Fire) and TO1 (Upper Canal Design)	$ 218,013.79	2
4926	RH2 ENGINEERING,INC	CONE VALVE REPLACEMENT	$ 1,358.89	1
		SUBTOTAL PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED/ END OF MONTH BILLS:	**$ 354,107.68**	

REGULAR BILLS

CHECK NO.	VENDOR NAME	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	No. of Invoices Paid
4896	ACE/ROY'S HARDWARE	BOLTS FOR BRIDGE, DRILLBITS AND BOLTS	$ 207.94	3
4897	AGRI-VALLEY	SCENIC PUMP STATION OVERLOAD REPLACEMENT	$ 1,227.18	1
4898	AT&T MOBILITY	HEADGATES MODEM 07.20.26-08.19.26	$ 26.33	1
4899	BENTON RURAL ELECTRIC ASSN.	POWER - HEADGATES	$ 12.40	1
4900	BIG STATE INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY	CREW HYDRATION PACKS - Bulk	$ 596.00	1
4901	centurylink®	PHONE AT HEADGATES 06.02.26-07.01.26	$ 195.85	1
4902	CHETU INC.	JULY CONSULTING FEES - Timesheet integration QBO	$ 5,400.00	1
4903	Christensen, Inc	FUEL	$ 5,659.67	3
4904	CINTAS CORPORATION #605	FACILITIES SERVICES	$ 181.36	2
4905	CLIFTON LARSON ALLEN, LLP	JULY ACCOUNTING SERVICES	$ 7,843.50	1
4906	COMPU-TECH, INC	JULY MONTHLY IT HOSTING FEE	$ 486.90	1
4907	DISCOUNT TIRE	TIRE REPAIR TRUCK #62, SPARE TIRE RAM TRK	$ 765.92	2
4908	endress+hauser inc.	Power Supply and Level Sensor	$ 1,140.75	2
4909	EUROFINS MICROBIOLOGY LAB	WATER TESTING	$ 152.10	1
4910	FOOTHILLS IRRIGATION	SPRINKLER REPAIR PARTS - OFFICE GROUNDS	$ 149.16	1
4912	H.D. FOWLER COMPANY INC	SHOP STOCK - PRESSURE REDUCING VALVES, BOLD FOR COUPLINGS	$ 613.60	1
4913	HALVERSON NORTHWEST LAW GROUP	LEGAL SERVICE - Paul Dempsey (supporting water rights)	$ 210.00	1
4914	HLA ENGINEERING, INC	MAIN CANAL ENGINEERING DESIGN	$ 211.00	1
4915	INLAND PIPE	SHOP STOCK FOR PIPELINE REPAIRS	$ 1,528.40	1
4916	Intermech Inc.	PIPE REPAIR	$ 4,103.67	2
4918	JOHN R. LOWE	REC DUES JUNE & JULY	$ 600.00	2
4919	LABORERS LOCAL #348	UNION DUES	$ 928.00	1
4920	O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	FILTERS FOR SHOP STOCK	$ 247.30	1
4921	PACIFIC POWER	POWER BILLS - Pump Stations	$ 95,272.68	5
4922	PARSEC COMPUTER CORPORATION	MONTHLY IT SERVICES JULY & AUGUST	$ 1,787.40	3
4923	Parsons Behle & Latimer	LEGAL SERVICE	$ 3,017.27	1
4924	PLATT ELECTRIC	FUSES FOR PUMP STATION	$ 671.03	3
4925	QUILL CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLIES	$ 60.30	1
4927	RUBICON SYSTEMS AMERICA, INC	MAIN CANAL INSTRUMENTATION - service	$ 2,452.76	1
4928	STEINS HARDWARE	PARTS FOR LEVEL TRANSDUCER, SHOP STOCK	$ 253.43	2
4929	THE JANITOR'S CLOSET	FACILITIES SERVICES	$ 121.66	1
4930	U. S. CELLULAR	PHONES 7.09.26-08.08.26 X2077	$ 29.72	1
4931	UPPER VALLEY TIRE CENTER	4 WHEELER TIRES	$ 173.12	1
4932	CENTER	JULY 2026 811 LOCATES	$ 370.64	1
4933	VERIZON	LID VPN SCADA	$ 302.01	2
4934	WA STATE DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY	PERMIT FOR AQUATIC APPLICATION	$ 800.00	1
4935	WASHINGTON STATE FARM BUREAU	FARM BUREAU ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP	$ 120.00	1
4936	WEAVER DISTRIBUTING	MARKING PAINT FOR LOCATES, GLOVES, SCREWS	$ 251.22	3
4937	XEROX CORPORATION	LEASE PAYMENT	$ 20.31	1
4938	YAKIMA COUNTY GIS	GIS SUBSCRIPTION	$ 100.00	1
4939	YAKIMA WASTE SYSTEMS,INC	GARBAGE SERVICES	$ 133.55	1
4940	VALLEY TITLE OF YAKIMA	REPLACEMENT CHECK	$ 379.05	1
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		SUBTOTAL REGULAR BILLS:	**$ 138,803.18**	

ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFERS (EFT)

CHECK NO.	VENDOR NAME	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
EFT	US TREASURY	PAYDATE 06.30.26 FED/SS/MED	$ 18,573.48
EFT	AFLAC	AFLAC	$ 552.06
EFT	NORTHWEST LABORERS	HEALTH INSURANCE	$ 27,170.00
EFT	WA DEPT OF RETIREMENT	ROTH DEFERRED COMP 6.30.26 PAYDATE	$ 887.50
EFT	WA DEPT OF RETIREMENT	PERS 06.30.26	$ 15,125.94
EFT	CHETU	SOFTWARE SUBSCRIPTIONS MAY, JUNE	$ 10,152.00
EFT	US BANK	SERVICE CHARGE	$ 63.64
EFT	US TREASURY	PAYDATE 7.16.26 FED/SS/MED	$ 17,151.03
EFT	WA DEPT OF RETIREMENT	DEFERRED COMP	$ 645.50
EFT	WA DEPT OF LABOR & INDUSTRIES	LABOR & INDUSTRIES INSURANCE	$ 12,693.27
EFT	US BANK	CREDIT CARD	$ 2,595.98
		SUBTOTAL EFT:	**$ 105,610.40**
		TOTAL REGULAR BILLS & EFTs:	**$ 244,413.58**

TOTAL BILL AMOUNT FOR MONTH:	**$ 598,521.26**
LESS: PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED SPECIAL BILLS	**$ 354,107.68**
TOTAL REGULAR BILLS & EFTs FOR APPROVAL:	**$ 244,413.58**