



Round Mountain Water and Sanitation

Board Meeting via Conference call or Video

January 21, 2021 – 2:00 p.m.

Call to Order: 2:03 p.m.

Roll Call: Charles Bogle, Greg Smith, Steve Lasswell, Peter Ewing, Randy Wilhelm, Peggy Quint, Dave Schneider, Laura Ippolito. No public. Jackson Malcom entered meeting at 2:42 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Additions to the February 18, 2021 Board Agenda

A public meeting will be held to discuss meter replacement. This is a requirement per Letter of Conditions for State Revolving Funds. No Iconergy Reps. Should have a DOLA update on well in about a week and a half. Finalize the edits for a resolution regarding leaks.

Administrative Reports

1. District Business Manager – Peggy Quint

New rates will be in effect January and will show in the February bills. Invoice Cloud is running even better now.

Laura doing well. Sterling is working hard on the inventory. He has taken the lead on that.

2. District Operation Manager – Dave Schneider

Grant request for the DOLA board for the water/meter/well replacement application is complete. There have been many applicants for it. They will fund the companies that really need it the most. Dave feels we can do the project as is because of additional grants we have. Worst case scenario... if we get 750K or higher we can continue with the project design. If lower, we will have to either reduce the scope of the project or lengthen the time of the loan.

The solar aspect may be the issue to the funds for the grant. The state is looking for resiliency and solar seems to fit with that.

Dave would like to use solar at the Wastewater Treatment Plant (Black Hills Energy). Greg said there may be production credits available. We would need to apply for that. Charles suggested we ask Black Hills Energy to provide service connections at their cost.

Dave's memo on water decree with Benoni-Jarvis reservoir: We should get some stipulations in the next few months. We are about halfway through the USDA application process and hope to finish that mid next week. JDS Hydro needs more information and then a water model study can be completed. Dave asked JDS to project growth rate at 2.4% and what type of distribution and water supply we will need. Charles suggested they give us a warning ahead of time of this growth. Dave will check into that.

Peter asked how we will manage the new plant. Dave is planning a major distribution overhaul 10 to 15 years out. Dave is working on getting 2 certifications in February (C-Water and level 2 Distribution) which is required by the state. Jackson is going for his upper-level certifications on wastewater.

Dave wrote an addendum to leak policy (RMWSD Rules & Regs., section 2, paragraph 2.2). He will write up the resolution and it will need approval at the next meeting.

We will put up signage at the bulk water station for customers to read that will release us from some liability. Maybe change the verbiage on the bulk water written agreement.

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the Minutes of the December 17, 2020 Regular Board Meeting
2. Financial Report and Approval of Checks for December 2020

Motion: Randy Wilhelm Second: Greg Smith Vote: 5-0

We ended up the year in the black. We should recapture some of the 27K paid to engineer.

Old Business

1. Bob Baker account – 114 Rosita Avenue, Westcliffe. He was told by a district manager that he did not have to pay his monthly minimum fees. Son now handling it and wants to abandon tap and have us write this off. Meter pulled in 2016.

Motion to write off the monies and abandon the tap

Motion: Peter Ewing Second: Randy Wilhelm Vote: 5-0

2. Gall delinquency: the property has been repossessed by the bank. When the property is sold the bank will have pay it off.
Peggy: Payments have been coming in on delinquent accounts with the sale of properties.

New Business

1. Camera Van Purchase: Dave looked at a van owned by Fremont County. It has 53k miles on it and comes fully equipped and ready, only need software updated or purchase other software. This would be a cash deal at 60K. The money will come out of the 2021 budget. We will insure as is and with replacement value. There is a Resolution to be signed for the van.
2. Real Estate RFP – discussion regarding Draper Property Sale

We have received 5 proposals. 3 classic Realtor proposals, a 100K cash offer, and one to assume the 192,650.00 loan. The Realtor bids came in on the low end at 213K and the high end at \$279K with commissions between 6.5% to as low as 3.5%. Dave recommends we sell at 250K to 255K. The

profit would be around 43K. We will go with a 4-month listing with Brenda Bosse with HomeSmart. Motion to hire HomeSmart as the district's real estate agent for the sale of the Draper Property was made by Greg Smith, Seconded by Peter Ewing. Vote: 5-0

3. Resolution 2021 – 1 Agenda Meeting Locations

Peggy: House bill approved in August of 2019 states that if we have an agenda posted on a website then we do not have to distribute it amongst the locations that we had in the past. The Resolution states that is the procedure we are following. Item #8 states that if there is a power outage or no internet, then the agenda will be posted on the door at the office. This needs to be done within 24 hours of the meeting. SDA has our website information as required. Peggy will continue to send out the agendas via email as a courtesy.

Motion: Greg Smith Second: Steve Lasswell Vote: 5-0

4. Resolution 2021 – 2 Regarding Iconergy Meter Replacement Program

This is a state generated agreement through the Energy Performance Office. Attorneys on both sides are in agreement. We have not received a clean copy yet, but the Resolution will cover the authorization.

Motion: Peter Ewing Second: Steve Lasswell Vote: 5-0

5. Response to 20CW3081 water case application

Randy and Wendy Rusk want to abandon the duck ponds close to Beckwith Ranch along the old railroad grade. Dave is concerned that since the water table is very high and there could be standing water in those ponds, that it could lead to evaporative loss and could potentially injure users on Grape Creek. Dave contacted Jerry Livengood who said he had written up a report to Division 2 and one stipulation was that there would be no chance of any standing water. The ponds would have to be filled in. Dave recommends that we do not involve ourselves in this case.

Consensus: No motion forward

Resolution 2021 – 3 To purchase the Camera Van.

Motion: Steve Lasswell Second: Greg Smith Vote: 5-0

Adjourned at 4:23