

WBYC WSD February 8, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order by Pres. Dan Ewen. Other board members present were Judy Becker, Gary Fredericks, Joey Oltrogge and Marc Larson.

Others in attendance were Daniel Krum, Sandra Kust, Marc Larson, Richard Martin and Katrina McNiven-YCN rep.

Dan Ewen had received a letter of interest to serve on the board from Marc Larson. A brief discussion was held and Gary Fredericks made a motion to appoint Marc to the board. Judy Becker seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Approval of the January 11, 2021 minutes: Judy Becker made a motion, Gary Fredericks seconded the motion to approve the minutes as distributed. The motion passed 4-0.

Approval of the bills: There was some discussion on some of the bills, but after clarification Gary Fredericks made a motion to approve them. Joey Oltrogge seconded the motion and it was approved 4-0.

Correspondence: None.

Delegations: Richard Martin was in attendance to observe the happenings of the meeting and could be a candidate for the board. He will decide by next meeting.

Operators report: On file with the minutes. General Manager reported that he did the normal office work, observed the work on the new bar and restaurant, Main street shut-off valves and the work on the talon curb stop.

Bookkeepers Report: The Net income for January was \$12,450.77. The total income was \$66,641.09 and the expenses were \$54,181.32. The income included funds from the Hail loss insurance claim of \$36,000.00.

Old Business: 1. Drinking Water status-Discussion was held on the time frame to hand out water to our members and was decided to stay at 8-9 A.M. during the week. The RD and SRF loan and grant agreement will be received shortly. We will need the SRF loan to begin the project, as interim financing. Other things needed will be a sight title and Water Rights (could take up to a year). Dorsey & Whitney will be the bond attorney's.

2. Hail Insurance Claim: Work is supposed to start within a week, but due to the cold weather will be delayed at least a week.

3. New Board Member: Work in progress. One appointed earlier and another prospect in attendance.

4. TSEP Grant & Emergency Grant Status: TSEP grant should be forthcoming shortly and the emergency grant was just received in the amount of \$8,000.00.

5. RD Grant Status: See above in No. 1.
 6. SRF Interim financing: Paperwork has been submitted and waiting on response.
 7. Response to Public Hearing Questions: See attached statement.
 8. Well Easements and Owner Agreements: This will be handled in a closed meeting.
 9. By Law Review: Gary Fredericks is working on.
- Past Due Loans: There were 4 shut-off letters and 9 past due letters sent out.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 P. M.

Respectfully submitted by Daniel Krum

Response to Public Hearing Questions: The District had a meeting regarding the public hearing, however, the District has not yet sent out a response to the users in the District regarding their questions and/or concerns, and it was stated on the public hearing notice that the Board would send out a response that addresses questions and or concerns. Discussion took place as to whether a motion was needed to accept the process that will take place, Gary Fredericks stated the Board could respond to the users without a motion as the Board decided putting transducers in some of the private wells around the District to monitor the drawdown would be part of the project and that this issue was addressed with the engineers and the engineers are drafting this process into the plan. Gary Fredericks and Dan Ewen stated the transducers will monitor the drawdown of these wells when the pump testing is being conducted on the Districts production wells to document the effect on private wells. The pump test will take 72 hours.

Dan Ewen stated the concern is that some people have irrigation wells as well as drinking water wells and are worried what will happen to their private wells. If it has very little effect on private wells this would help the District is getting water rights, however if it does have an effect on the wells the District will have to have a plan in place to address this, such as not being able to pump as many gallons per minutes, or drilling more wells. The Board did not state when this letter would be sent out.