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WATER & SEWER DISTRICT**

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WBYC WSD Meeting Minutes July 13, 2020

Meeting was called to order by Pres. Dan Ewen. Other Board members in attendance were: Judy Becker, Joey Oltrogge and Gary Fredericks.

Others in attendance were Dan Krum, Sandra Kust and Chad Hansen (Great West Engineering). Approval of the June 8, 22 and 29 minutes: Judy Becker made a motion, Joey Oltrogge seconded the motion to approve the minutes. This was approved 4-0.

Delegations: Chad Hansen discussed the balance of the PER and said it was close to being done. He presented another agreement which showed their fees would be \$69,100.00 thru the construction of the wells. Test wells could be started in early August for Phase One.

Approval of Bills: Gary Fredericks made a motion to approve the bills. Joey Oltrogge seconded the motion and it was approved 4-0.

Operator's Reports: Reports are on file. General Manager did regular daily work and attended two board meetings to discuss the well drilling situation and the steps needed to drill the wells accordingly to DEQ rules. Also worked on getting landowners signature to get the well drilling started. Past due accounts were reviewed and three shut-offs letters were to be sent along with 10 past due letters.

Bookkeepers report: Net income for June was \$75,974.42 and the net income for the year was \$127,453.79. The total income for the month of June was \$106,146.67 and the total expenses was \$30,172.25. The increase in income was from the hail damage Insurance check for the hall and the lift stations.

Old Business: 1. Confidentiality Agreement-Gary Fredericks is working on this.

2. Drinking Water Status; Discussed earlier in the meeting.

3. Hail Loss: Checks received in the amount of \$72,000.00 to cover damage to the office building and the lift stations. A contractor has been called and will be down to look at the damage.

4. New Board Members: There are a couple of prospects that will be contacted. Pat Zimmer still on the list, but meeting attendance maybe a problem because of family events.

5. TSEP grant application: The application is almost completed and will be sent in.

6. Part Time Employee: Still in the looking stage.

7. Public Meeting Feasibility: AT present meeting not able to be held. Thinking is to mail info to everyone and possibly have a presentation on-line (Video).

New Business: 1. MRWS Conference Registrations for their annual meeting to be held in March 2020. The board suggested that MRWS hold the registration for the 2021 conference.

2. 40,000 gallon Tank Repair: There is a leak in the structure of the tank and a bid was received to fix it for \$5,850.00. The tank has not been taken care for years and now is showing some wear and tear. The tank needs to be cleaned and painted inside and repainted outside. Preliminary bids are \$44,700.00 for the inside work and \$39,000.00 for the exterior work. The District really does not have the funds to do funds to do the work so Great West Engineering will apply for a emergency grant to get the work done.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Daniel Krum, Executive Secretary