



Round Mountain Water and Sanitation

Board Meeting via Video

June 18, 2020 – 2:00 p.m.

Call to Order at 2:05 p.m.

Roll Call: Board Members: Charles Bogle, Steve Lasswell, Greg Smith, Randy Wilhelm, Peter Ewing, Staff: Peggy Quint, Dave Schneider, Matt Hudson from SGM and Elliott Jackson from the Tribune

Pledge of Allegiance

No Public Comments

Additions to the July 2, 2020 Board Agenda

1. Approval of Financials of May 2020 moved from June 18, 2020 meeting due to corrections needed.

Administrative Reports

1. District Operations Manager – Dave Schneider

- Existing Lagoons – aerating continues, exchanging water from the second to the first lagoon, additional bugs are being added. Smell is less offensive. Still needs work because it is significantly overloaded. Our sniffer is out of calibration and because of the elevation, we will have to send it to the company to have it recalibrated.
- WWTP – meeting with interim financing and Joe Montgomery, USDA was held via conference call yesterday. USDA will not approve our interim financing until USDA is in possession of final blueprints and an updated cost of the construction project. Interim financing says they will not move until that happens and DOLA said they are not going to move until interim financing moves. Dave talked to Brandyn about the final blueprints and updated cost. He is projecting that possibly mid to end of July to have those finished. He is sending what he has to a construction company to get a close estimate of what that construction company believes the cost will be.
- SGM stated that the soils have an issue at the site of the WWTP. The soil *does* compress and sink when it is put under significant load. So, they are looking at having to put a series of piers underneath the WWTP and the Office/Shop complex to make sure that those buildings do not unnecessarily settle. Dave is not sure if that will be a 5ft, 10ft or 30ft piers. Matt Hudson added that he had talked to Brandyn about the new and revised construction estimate. He reiterated that it would be mid to end of July for final construction documents. The PDR is complete. The USDA will review the final documents. Dave will encourage them to keep it moving forward. Dave asked if Carl Hurst, Iconergy has contacted Matt regarding the Smith Well upgrade. Matt will let Dave know when he hears from Carl.
- Johnson Ranch diversions – the creek is dropping fast. We should be able to get our storage at Lake DeWeese at a full capacity by the end of June. We probably will not get any more significant water in July or August with the way the forecast is looking. Jerry Livengood is

happy with how we are administrating our diversions. He looks at it quite often, so we are satisfying Division II diversions requirements.

- Well depletion and those solutions – Dave has sketched out a proposal for plumbing the Smith Well to push water back into the stream. He sent the sketch off and is waiting their approval of design. He does not foresee any huge legal issues of being able to use the Smith Well for emergency situations for augmentation. We are waiting on Lamp Rynearson to give us a sketch proposal preliminary design of how we can use it.
- Gallery Reservoir – Dave talked to Gracie at Upper Ark. Our first grant application has been pulled. They are not sure if or when that will ever be available. Gracie has requested us to consider a second option with another granting agency of a water supply reserve fund and get a grant there. The good news is that it does not have a \$100k cap. She recommended that we add a final blueprint design drawing to that request. Dave contacted Justin with Lamp Rynearson because the problem is that this all needs to be done by the 25th of June to be turned in. Justin said there is no way that can happen by that time. We will do the initial grant request without the preliminary design drawings included. Dave will keep the board informed as he is updated.
- DeWeese Reservoir – Gracie updated Dave that they have finished the site survey and the environmental survey. We will receive a need survey from Upper Ark. The District needs to decide how much additional storage we want/need in the new upsized reservoir. We will have 100-acre feet in our second reservoir. A decision does not need be made now, but it will be a topic in the next couple of weeks. Dave thinks we should get at least 50 more-acre feet so that we are at an even 400-acre ft. We are not sure how much storage we want to get and how far out we want to project. Dave will ask Upper Ark what they suggest. They do not know right now how much they actually want to add. It depends on the demand. Dave thinks that we may need to tell them what we are requesting and that may be a one-time request. The future is unclear, so it may have to be an educated guess. This is still a couple months out.
- Pueblo Reservoir – Dave found out from our water attorney that we have a storage decree in the Pueblo Reservoir that required due diligence. Dave has not gone through the paperwork. Dave was unaware that we had that decree. This may help us decide what we want to do at DeWeese. Dave will let the board know what he finds out. The due diligence needs to be finished by June 30, 2020. Upper Ark may be able to help us with this also.
- Iconergy was back in town. They were here two weeks ago and swapped out 20 meters. This week they put ten AMI readers on 10 of those 20 meters. They presented us with their product and the dashboard on what we could get off those readers. It proved that AT&T and Verizon had good signal all over town. As we go to AMI, we should not have any issues with signal.
- Development Updates – Incline Investment, First and Strait Street - they are about 1/3 of the way complete with the wastewater line. They will most likely be done in a week. Fox Run is back “on”. As negotiations vacillated, an agreement is close to be finalized. Dave should be seeing the final blueprints today. Fox Run is behind Club America in the Haga addition. We should have a signed agreement very soon. Greg Quinones is working on the Letter of Conditions that we are requesting. Dave had sent him the normal monthly bill report so that he has an idea of what those are going to be. Claretha is at a stand-still. CJ is building one of his own houses. Dave has no new information on the extension and their plans.

2. District Business Manager – Peggy Quint

- Invoice Cloud is moving forward. Working with Caselle and Freedom Printing. Very encouraging!
- Courtney is on vacation from June 19th thru June 29th
- Peggy going on vacation July 2nd to the 13th. Office will be short staffed for a few weeks.
- Bulk water sales are going strong! Randy wanted to know what a Bulk Water Inspection was.

- Discussion regarding delinquent accounts – Policy continues to be followed and Delinquent Letters are still being sent. By the end of July, if we have not received any payment, there will be a few customers that will have their water shut off.
3. District Consultant – George Medaris – not in attendance

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the Minutes of the May 21, 2020 Regular Board Meeting
2. Approval of the Minutes of the June 4, 2020 Regular Board Meeting
3. Financial Report and Approval of Checks for May 2020
Randy moved to approve the minutes but to pull the Treasurers report as he found some amounts that need to be corrected. Peter Ewing seconded the motion. Vote was 5-0 in favor of the motion.

Old Business

1. Continued discussion on COVID Impact Funding and RMWSD – Charles explained to the board about the funding that is available for Special Districts to assist with COVID 19 expenses. Charles spoke with Christy Doon and she said that the district needs to respond with interest by July 7, 2020. It defines coverage for COVID impact through the end of 2020. Must be justifiable for COVID based expenses. Charles wanted feedback from the board and staff. Christy Doon said that if there were any questions, that she would look them over before it could possibly be rejected. Charles suggested that we will be forced to use more broadband and have it improved. We need to review any expenses that may be incurred before the end of the year. He asked that board and staff take some time and consider what the district might need. Matt Hudson with SGM was asked by Charles if they have foreseen any expenses for the district due to COVID 19. Matt said he did not. Most of the PPEs for the Fire Department had been done by FEMA. Charles does not want us to look back and wish we had responded in favor of this funding. We can always let them know that we did not need and turn back the funds. Peggy will send the information once again to the board members so that they can look it over.
2. SDA Cancelled for 2020 – moving forward there may be webinars available. All board members have a login to the SDA website and can watch the webinars online.

New Business

1. Greg Smith – Meeting discussion policy – Greg stated that the last board meeting allowed a visitor to take more time than we allow. He said we either need to change our policy or enforce the current policy regarding the time that is set aside for public input. If the public member needs more than three minutes to speak, they need to request being on the next board meeting agenda. This will also allow board members to put their thoughts together and that should save some valuable meeting time. Board authorized Peggy Quint to find a type of timer to track the length of a discussion by a visiting public.

Adjourned at 3:28 p.m.