



**Round Mountain Water and Sanitation**  
**Board Meeting via Conference call or Video**  
**November 19, 2020 – 2:00 p.m.**

**Called to Order at 2:03 pm**

**Roll Call**

Charles Bogle, Greg Smith, Steve Lasswell, Dave Schneider, Randy Wilhelm, Peggy Quint, Abi Schneider, Laura Ippolito, Peter Ewing

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Administrative Reports**

**1. District Business Manager – Peggy Quint**

-Introducing the new hire, Laura Ippolito

-We are still working on getting the kinks out of Invoice Cloud and we are pleased with the transition on the whole.

**2. District Operations Manager – Dave Schneider – via zoom**

-The Wet Mtn. RV Park is being sold. The easement agreement is still in process.

-The Smith Well has been repaired.

-Greg Quinones' wastewater project has been completed other than that the manhole needs to be tested.

-Iconergy – DOLA has put us into a different category for the million-dollar grant that we have requested because we will be incorporating solar power into our project. Our presentation will go before their board at 3:45 pm on Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will have meter representatives coming on Friday and Monday and we will be able to see and decide next week which meters we will be using moving forward. The biggest difference between the meters lies in the AMI technology compatibility.

-Benone Jarvis Reservoir – Our grant has been established and we can move forward. We will be meeting with Upper Ark and the design engineer on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

-WWTP – We are doing soil boring today. There is no bedrock in the vicinity, but the drillers have been hitting larger cobble and there is water at 25 feet. We will likely need more piercing than less.

-We have been receiving complaints about our bulk water being green. There is no copper residual from our tests, but there is possibly an iron excess. Dave will be doing a metal sample on Monday to confirm.

-There will be a slight edit to the fee schedule that was sent out. The five cent differences will be removed.

**Consent Agenda**

1. Approval of the Minutes of the October 15, 2020 Regular Board Meeting
2. Approval of the Minutes of the November 5, 2020 Regular Board Meeting
3. Financial Report and Approval of Checks for October 2020

Greg requested a change of verbiage on the District Operations Employee Wage Policy from salary schedule to wage schedule.

**Motion: Randy Wilhelm**

**Second: Greg Smith**

**Vote: 5-0**

## Old Business

### 1. Peer Reviews

-Concerns:

-Insufficient influent data from SGM - Alkalinity and phosphorous

-Recommended different SBR manufacturer. We are currently using Parkson.

-Recommended considering over-excavation instead of piercing by moving ten to twelve feet of approved soil into the area. This would be much cheaper, but the risk of future settling is greater than with the cement piers. Having water at 25 feet would also make the over-excavating idea more risky.

-Added Expenses:

-Pond decommissioning, lavatory equipment, heating and A/C expenses or instrumentation.

-Dropping the shop and administrative office from the design is very likely.

-Recommended DSVs:

-We already have a five-year DSV for arsenic.

-USDA's response will determine the decisions from here. We do have a CDPHE approved design and any changes would cause us to have to start over again. This peer review has been a justification for the grant and accountability for the towns.

-We will be sending the reviews to SGM and will wait for their response.

### 2. Draft Press Release

-Greg has been drafting the press release and will have Dave work on it further. It should be ready by our next meeting. Charles recommended having a public meeting to disclose where our WWTP project stands.

### 3. New Staff Hire – Meet Laura Ippolito

### 4. Correction on District Business Manager's wage on the wage increase chart.

### 5. Incorrectly noted as a previous hourly wage on the wage increase chart. The correction was made by adopting Resolution 2020-17.

**Motion: Peter Ewing**

**Second: Greg Smith**

**Vote: 5-0**

### 6. 2021 Rate Increase

-The proposed increase is 5% on water and 3.5% on wastewater as projected in the rate increase study. This would be effective January 1, 2021.

### 7. Discussion of the conversion from hourly to salary guidelines.

## New Business

### 1. Discussion regarding Draper Property sale. (Real Estate Agent)

-The field techs are 90% moved from the Draper Property to the old shop. Randy recommended putting out an RFP/bid for different real estate agents.

**Adjourned at 3:43 pm**