**ROUND MOUNTAIN WATER AND SANITATION**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**THURSDAY, June 15, 2023**

**2:00 P.M. – 3rd Street Gallery Building Conference Room**

**Call to Order at 2:00 p.m.**

**Roll Call: Charles Bogle, Steve Lasswell, Randy Wilhelm, Mark Dembosky, Connie Thompson, Dave Schneider, Carlan Cardenas, Barry Keene, Attainable Housing Board and Westcliffe County Hospital District, Robyn Knappe, Office of Emergency Management of Custer County, and Elliott Jackson, Wet Mountain Tribune**

**Pledge of Allegiance led by Steve Lasswell**

**Additions to the July 20, 2023, Board of Directors Meeting Agenda**

1. **First Audit draft should be available.**
2. **Robyn Knappe – Office of Emergency Management**

**Administrative Reports**

1. **Assistant District Manager – Peggy Quint – on vacation**

* **Carlan gave an overview of the SDA Regional Workshop. Updated Board Member Manuals are now available. Ann Terry, Jim Collins and Mike Valdez discussed bills being pushed through the legislature and how SDA supports each bill. Board Policies were also discussed.**
* **Three rooms are available for any board members that wish to attend the SDA Conference in September. Please let Peggy know if you want to attend.**

1. **ORC – Steven Koch – report was sent to the board prior to the meeting.**
2. **District Manager – Dave Schneider**

* **Meter Replacement Project: 38 meters left to have endpoint replacement completed. The company that was onsite to replace the endpoints had staff shortages. Negotiations between RMWSD and the company to complete the project remain unresolved.**
* **Well Project: Almost complete. A few items remain on the checklist for them to finish the project. Well documentation from the well drillers has been sent to CDPHE. Approval should be soon.**
* **WWTP: Powell Water is collecting long-term testing from other systems that are similar to RMWSD that should provide the nitrate information that CDPHE is requesting. Dave is looking for a denitrification system that we could add to our design that CDPHE is already comfortable with.**
* **Reservoir: Meeting with Upper Ark and engineers has resulted in an increase in the cost for the project. It has more than doubled. Upper Ark said they are not interested in participating in a project that expensive. The reservoir project itself is at about $1.5 million, which we have between RMWSD, Upper Ark and a $500,000 grant. The additional $4.5 million cost is to get water from the creek to the reservoir and back. The only affordable solution is to fill the reservoir with water from the well. By July, Dave should have the response regarding this proposal.**

**Consent Agenda**

1. **Approval of the Minutes of the May 18, 2023, Regular Board Meeting**
2. **Financial Report and Approval of Checks for May 2023**

**Motion made by: Randy Wilhelm Seconded by: Steve Lasswell Vote: 5-0**

**New Business**

1. **Attainable Housing Board Representative Request: Barry Keene updated the Board on what the committee has been working on. There is a property on the east end of Silver Cliff, f/k/a The Spotted Pig. Their plans are to refurbish the building that would provide 8 or 9 apartments. There is a ¾” tap and a 4” sewer, residential tap. The fees are based on size not residential or commercial. The existing tap could accommodate three 2-person apartments. Dave suggested that they hire an engineer to draw out the design and present it to Round Mountain so that a determination could be made for the size of water and sewer lines needed. Dave recommended upsizing the existing water line to 1” ($9,000) and the cost of the wastewater will be charged through ERUs. Dave does not foresee pressure issues at that location.**
2. **Excuse Charles Bogle from May 18, 2023, meeting - Motion made by Randy Wilhelm, seconded by Steve Lasswell. Motion passed 4-0**
3. **Robyn Knappe – Office of Emergency Management - County Emergency Operations Plan –The first plan was approved by the board by a resolution of the Hazard Mitigation Plan – a five-year review. Robyn presented a three-year review plan to the board which shows that RMWSD is a very small part of the plan as a special district included under utilities. Robyn is requesting approval of the plan and a resolution. Copies will be sent to the board for them to review and approval can be made at the next meeting. Robyn will attend the meeting to address any questions.**

**Old Business**

1. **Resolution 2023-10 approving changes to Personnel Policy regarding the use of district property by district employees. Dave presented the resolution that clarifies equipment use by district employees. Motion: Connie Thompson Seconded by: Steve Lasswell Vote: 5-0**

**Adjourn at 3:46 p.m.**