

ROUND MOUNTAIN WATER & SANITATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
June 7, 2018 at 5:15 p.m.

Board Members Present: Peggy Quint, Charles Bogle, Steve Lasswell, Randy Wilhelm, and Greg Smith

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: George Medaris, District Manager; Dave Schneider, Operations Manager; Herdis Sobel, Office Manager

Visitors Present: Mike Haga, Vicky Holstad

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. by Peggy Quint.

Roll Call

Pledge Allegiance

Additions to the Agenda for the Next Meeting:

June 21st meeting:

1. Discuss offer on portion of Johnson Ranch
2. Discuss/Approve Preliminary Wastewater Design Agreement

July meetings - will have July 5th meeting – will probably need a July 19th meeting

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Minutes for the May 3, 2018 Regular Board Meeting.
2. Approval of Minutes for the May 10, 2018 Board Workshop Meeting.
3. Approval of Minutes for the May 17, 2018 Regular Board Meeting.
4. Approval of Minutes for the May 31, 2018 Special Board Meeting.
5. Financial Reports and Approval of Checks.

Removed items 2, 3, and 4 from Consent Agenda. Items will be addressed at a future meeting. Randy Wilhelm made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda with items 1 and 5. Steve Lasswell seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

A request for a motion excusing the absence of Greg Smith for the May 31st meeting was made. Charles Bogle made the motion, Steve Lasswell seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Old Business

1. Resolution Establishing Fees and Policies

Manager Medaris started by saying that part of the last meeting was supposed to be focused on discussing the EQR implementation on the water side. He feels that the Board's decision was distracted due to being informed that the District's, Smith Well, was having difficulty keeping up with the current water demand. He presented Resolution 2018-12 along with two draft versions of Attachment A referenced in the resolution. The first draft version was the same attachment proposed at the May 31st meeting with some corrections and would implement EQRs for both water and wastewater billing. The second draft version would only implement the EQR system for the wastewater billing system. After some discussion on how not implementing the water EQR would affect the budget, and what could be done to cover some of those costs, it was decided that only the Wastewater EQR would be implemented at this time. The water rate is planned to be addressed after a professional rate study is done. Charles Bogle made a motion to accept Resolution 2018-12 with Attachment A - EQR rate increase for the Wastewater side only. Greg Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

2. Resolution Establishing Connection Permit Policies

This item will be tabled until the June 21st meeting.

New Business

1. Reorganization of Board of Directors

Randy Wilhelm made a motion for all Board members to retain their current position. Greg Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

District Manager Report

1. Meeting Re: Preliminary Design Engineering

The meeting on Tuesday was going over what needs to be in the contract; Where are we? Where do we need to go? What do we need to look at? Since the beginning of the project, even though many things have changed, we have been able to gather a lot of information that will help us make better decisions about the plant. The purchase of the property at 59920 Hwy 69 will provide needed space to add to the land application site and allow room for much needed monitoring wells. Also, the house on the property can possibly be used as accommodations for the resident engineer that will be required to be on the job site during plant construction. The meeting was very productive, and Mr. Medaris did in fact receive the agreement today, which he will pass on to the Board as soon as he's had a chance to review it.

2. Johnson Ranch Discussion

An offer has been submitted for 80 acres of the Johnson Ranch. The Water Engineers need to be contacted to start the dry-up process. The dry-up would need to be complete before any offers for sale would be accepted. As dry as it's been, this may be an ideal time to accomplish that process. The State has 30 days to complete our request. The Board should take some time to read the offer and it can be discussed more thoroughly at the June 21st meeting.

3. Discussion regarding 59920 Hwy 69N Property

Besides possibly accommodating the resident engineer for the plant project, the house could be utilized as a storage spot for small equipment and a work space for the field techs. Also, once the jetter is repaired and sewer maintenance begins, the guys will need a cleanup spot to do laundry and take showers.

Operations Manager Report

Dave Schneider went over his Operations report; reporting on projects completed and ones coming up. His Operations report is on permanent file.

A voluntary water restriction has been put in place because of the extremely high-water demand. The towns did not irrigate last night and will go on odd/even rotation starting today. The county has offered to pull from Grape Creek for the time being. Postings on social media, asking customers willing to conserve, to use their addresses as the guide for odd/even watering. This simple step has had immediate relief on the system.

Meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Herdis Sobel