

ROUND MOUNTAIN WATER & SANITATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
January 7, 2016

Board Members Present: Peggy Quint, Charles Bogle, Trinity Huffman and Steve Lasswell.

Board Members Absent: Roger Aukema

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

Visitors Present: Dave Cruickshank

Call to Order:

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

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes for December 3, 2015 Regular Board Meeting:
Charles Bogle made a motion to approve the minutes, Trinity Huffman seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Financial Report/Check Approval:
Trinity Huffman made a motion to approve the financials and bills paid, and Steve Lasswell seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Peggy Quint called for a motion to excuse Roger Aukema from tonight's meeting for medical reasons. Steve Lasswell made the motion and Charles Bogle seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Additions to the Agenda for the Next Meeting:
Select an engineering firm
Grape Creek RV's irrigation well approval

Public Input:

Proposed Bulk Water Rates for 2016

Dave Cruickshank addressed the Board regarding his water delivery business to rural folks in the area. He thanked RM for helping him build his business, but feels that the price restructure will have a negative impact on his business. He asked the Board to consider

having a tiered pricing scale; the more you buy the less the cost per gallon. He gave examples of shopping in bulk at Costco's and feels it's not fair to charge the same price per gallon when buying large quantities. Dave thanked the Board for listening to his presentation and the Board thanked Dave for expressing his concerns. Dave Cruickshank left the meeting.

Old Business:

Johnson Ranch Discussion

George Medaris still doesn't have the completed contract from the bank; he left a voice message for Wendy Rusk, but has not heard back from her.

Regarding the Ranch dry up; some of the property has been dried up and Bruce Kroeker says we need to complete the process. Round Mtn. needs to decide when it's ready for the State to come out and assess the dry up. RM needs to give the State 30-days' notice to come and declare it dried up and then there is a 30-day period where RM and/or others have the right to contest whatever decision has been made. Due to the agreement to provide water to the property sub-lease through 2016, the first opportunity to call for dry up will be 2017.

The Board would like George to go ahead and send out an open RFP, with all the stipulations required for the property dry up. George thought it would be a good idea to have Jefferson Parker, RM's new SD Attorney, review thoroughly.

New Business:

Schedule Performance Evaluation of District Manager

George reminded the Board that his contract will end/auto-renew, 3/31-4/1/16. The Board discussed things that they would like to see from George before the next meeting regarding things accomplished over the past year as well as goals for the coming year. If he could provide them with evaluation forms, a performance evaluation could be done after the February 4th meeting.

Process for selection of Engineering Firm to update Preliminary Engineering Report for upgrades to Wastewater Treatment System, including final effluent disposal

George received a compliance schedule from the State yesterday, requesting a response by noon today. He called them this morning and was able to get a week's extension. After that, he contacted Crabtree Engineering to see if they would be willing to update the PER (Preliminary Engineering Report) they had done for Round Mountain in

April of 2009. They declined doing the update, but would be willing to do other projects in the future.

The State is requiring that the District have an engineer in place by the end of February. Charles Bogle suggested that George put out a RFP to a couple of engineering firms and make his recommendations to the Board, for their selection, at the next Board meeting. After some discussion, George suggested he would put out a RFQ (request for qualifications) since a decision this important should not be based solely on price. The next big decision the Board will need to make is if the effluent discharge will be to the creek or land application. This decision will dictate the direction of the project.

Resolution 2016-1

Set New Bulk Water Rates for New Self-Serve Water Vendor Machine

The Board discussed setting the price at a flat rate of \$0.015 per gallon, and not charging an accounting fee because it is a self-serve unit. It was decided that it would benefit the District to keep it as simple as possible. It will be a convenience benefit to all and it will also be a great savings for most users. Trinity Huffman made a motion to approve resolution 2016-1. Charles Bogle seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Resolution 2016-2

Appointing George Medaris Designated Election Official

Steve Lasswell made a motion to approve resolution 2016-2. Charles Bogle seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Motion authorizing the Manager to proceed with improving the District's computers, networking and software systems. Providing the Manager with the authority to hire consultants to assist with the work.

Trinity Huffman made a motion authorizing George Medaris to proceed with the upgrades to the District's computers, software, networking, etc. as contemplated and appropriated for in the approved 2016 budget. Further he is authorized to retain such firms and individuals he deems necessary to correctly install these systems. Charles Bogle seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Regular Election – Call for Nominations to be published on January 28th

George told the Board that the call for nominations would be published in the papers. The election can be cancelled on March 1st, if no self-nomination forms or letters of interest are received by 4:00 p.m., on February 26th.

Discussion on Manger's Plan to reduce the District's boundaries to more closely reflect the area the District can reasonably serve with existing systems

George told the Board that the District needs to come up with a plan on how to re-define the boundaries of Round Mountain W&S District to more accurately reflect the properties that are actually serviceable. First step may be to contact the Town of Silver Cliff and get assistance in figuring out what properties cannot be serviced and should be excluded from the Water/Sewer District.

Resolution 2016-3

Accepting Shining Mountain Subdivision Low-Pressure Sewer System for Public Maintenance

Charles Bogle made a motion to accept resolution 2016-3. Steve Lasswell seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

District Manager's Report

Grape Creek RV has asked that we don't oppose them putting in a well to irrigate their grass. This will be added to the agenda for February's meeting for discussion.

CORC Report

Dave Schneider was not present, but submitted his CORC report. His CORC report is on permanent file.

Delinquent Accounts

The Delinquent Account Report was presented to the Board. The report is on permanent file.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Herdis Sobel