

UNOFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES

WILL BE REVIEWED AND APPROVED AT NEXT BOARD MEETING

01/05/22 Blue River Water Board Monthly Board Meeting

Called To Order @ 6:01pm

Board Members Present: Josh Cloke, Tony Casad, Melanie Stanley, Jim Parks, and Alice Bonasio

Board Member Absent: none

Superintendent: Al Artero Consultant: Jason Carman, RCAC

Public Present: Lane Tompkins

Superintendent Report:

of active services 80

3/4 inch 72

1 inch 4

2 inch 2

3 inch 2

of inactive 3

of turn ons 0

of turn offs 0

of applications 0

of installations 0

Total water produced (well meter) gals 1.519

Total meter consumption / gallons 128

Total water sales \$ 3291.71

Unaccounted for water (Loss) gals 1391 Maximum daily demand Power used / Month

of meters tested and repaired 67/0

of leaks repaired 1

Did first run with Rainbow for new billing last month, we have 80 active services

23 unreadable, not functioning, or lost meters, some of the owners of those properties are pretty sure they know where the meter is; will be getting that worked on to track all those meters and get them functional. We have 7 total lost meters, 4 are from ones that had never been identified. There was a leak at the well head that's been repaired.

Tony C., asked about the pressure relief valve/balancing valves that had been broken- are we making progress on getting those repaired? Al: it's on the list to make calls and get it repaired and looked at etc. Also on the last billing cycle there are 3 people that are 3 months behind on their billing, we need to get that taken care of. Merrick's project needs to be taken care of, it's been at least 9 months and we have yet to complete the repair. Al explained to Tony that there is a part that's needed that is not used regularly, and it was ordered and it was sent but it was incorrect. We are waiting for the part to be returned to us with the correct thread set so it can be repaired, but without it the repair is near impossible. Tony said he'd consulted Rainbow Water and there should be something else we can do, Jason said he can come by and look at it.

Jason really wants to make sure that we have the numbers right on what we are using and what we are losing in water. Making sure that the readings we are getting are accurate is a key in all this, but there were no significant leaks detected when we had the company out so we've really got to get on the meter reading thing. Al thinks there's possibly large leaks on the customer side of the systems that we aren't detecting. This should be addressed as we get the meter reading in full swing.

Items from Commissioners:

Large Meter Installs: We have 2 of the 3 that need to be installed, the plan is to install on a Friday so that it won't interrupt the school day. Al will coordinate with someone to help dig so he can get it installed. The Board would like to make sure that Al has as much help on hand as needed just in case the worst happens so the water doesn't end up turned off at the school any longer than possible.

County working with Engineering firm to get things finalized for the RFP for both the water and sanitary feasibility studies.

Seems there is a difference of opinion of how this \$15 mil is supposed to be spread and will actually be spent. Getting the county to give us the control that we really should have has been pretty difficult.

Goal is to work with the other utilities and coordinate timelines to make everything the most cost effective.

Jason says to remember that "joint trenching" isn't always the best way to go, so just keep that in mind as we move forward in our planning stages.

Reservoir Communication System: has been having issues occasionally with the antenna and its ability to connect and provide the necessary connection to the computer systems. Al says, the lack of reliability after the \$\$ we've spent on this issue so far is troublesome. Jason C., says that with any contractor we're using we really need to start itemizing the work they are going to be doing and what is broken and what they will be repairing. Providing good documentation makes it more seamless for reimbursements from the proper agencies that we're dealing with for everything. Jason and Al will work together on this issue and making sure that the contractors are doing better on the quotes. Tony, we are past reactive and need to be proactive and make sure that we have good solid documentation for these things.

Water District Buildings:

Designed and done, meeting Friday, as soon as the measurements Tony took are given to them on Friday. Trying to make sure that we are following the proper procedure for the contractor procurement for the process. Josh said to let him know when things are going forward, and he will get in touch with

Commissioner Buch about our permit process. Josh, Tony, and Al say we need more rock. Josh will reach out to get pricing and see what we can get.

Satelite- Waiting for the guys from Elevate to get back to us so we're kind of in a holding pattern.

Keys and Locks: List was sent to Board prior to meeting, no discussion needed. Tony will be ordering.

Batteries on top of the water tank, need to be tested so we can make sure that's not part of the issue with the communication problems.

Short Schools Invite? Yes or No- Board was approached about being a speaker/presenter at the school regarding our trials and challenges during the fire. Al will be reaching out to double check what the scope of that will be exactly to insure it's within our ability. We all feel that we can provide some real-world experience side of it, maybe not so much the technical side of things. Board agrees to let Al reach out and check in to what it really looks like.

Tony C., asking about how the web emails will be answered. Discuss who will answer it and make sure that everyone can answer them from the server. That way we're all answering from the server not from personal emails. Josh C., asked if Tom can set up an auto response so that people know that their e-mail has been received and that they will be getting a reply in a timely manner.

Who will be checking the mail? Superintendent had been doing it historically, but are we still wanting to do that? Can someone say they will pick it up? Al said he will do it when he comes down to reads meters and will get them to Tony C., so bills can be paid. Josh will be the back-up if needed.

Agenda will be Jim Parks job for right now, and we'll see how it goes.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's Report was sent to Board ahead of meeting for review, available to public upon request.

Water Sales \$3291.00 Savings: \$70,822.00 Checking: \$39,410.00 GIP: \$109,535.00

Deposits: \$14,176.71 Bills: \$17,397.58 Insurance: \$151,660.00

Jim motions to pay the Bills and approve report, Alice Bonasio 2nd, All in Favor, passes unanimously.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes were sent to Board ahead of meeting for review, available to public upon request, Motion to Approve Minutes from Last Meeting, Jim P. motions to Approve, Josh 2nd, Passes Unanimously.

Adjourned @ 7:07pm

****APPROVED AT 02/02/2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING****