

Minutes, Pecan Valley RWD, Board of Directors, May 9, 2023

Jim Hampshire, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

Roll Call: Bill Malone, present, Ed Hewett present, Jim Hampshire present. Absent, Jeff Ewing and Leighton Duitsman. Also present, Jack Outhier, District Manager. Jim declared a quorum.

April minutes were read. Bill moved, Ed seconded, that the minutes be approved as written. Ed aye, Bill aye, Jim aye. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Bill Malone, Treasurer, presented the Financial Report for acceptance. There was discussion of the impact upon our financials of the grants. Ed made the motion, Bill seconded, that the financial report be accepted. Ed aye, Bill aye, Jim aye. Motion carried.

Manager's Report:

- Submission of documents regarding PV North Waterline Connection Project to ORWA for grant reimbursement.
- Insurance statement regarding coverage of volunteers aiding the District, operating our equipment, etc. Jack to write a letter laying out Policy to volunteers.
- ORWA Equipment EXPO (and training) June 14-15 in Stillwater
- Attended the CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING & APPRENTICESHIP WORKFORCE IMPACT PARTNERS GRANT WORKSHOP on 4/27/2023. Will discuss options in both the Old and New Business portions of meeting.
- Letter to Internet company seeking restitution for expenses due to broken water main.

Old Business:

Jack presented the letter he'd prepared to write to the Internet company for hitting our water lines demanding payment. Ed suggested we also present a letter to all contractors prior to their starting excavations in our community; Jack will begin doing this. Bill made the motion, Ed seconded that Jack go ahead with the process of collecting from the company who damaged our lines. Ed aye, Bill aye, Jim aye. Motion carried.

Discussed the ARPA grant which we need to use before we lose it. Discussed various possibilities of the pump for which we had applied for this grant. With the price of the pump, the remainder of the grant will cover the cost of the Monitoring Wells we have to drill. Both meet the ARPA requirements and our purpose for which we applied. Bill made the motion, Ed seconded, that we purchase the sewer pump with the ARPA funds. Bill aye, Ed aye, Jim aye.

New Business:

At the Funding meeting Jack had attended in Hobart, an Apprenticeship program for Water/Wastewater Operators was presented. There was some discussion of different aspects of the program. Ed made suggestion we begin looking at an employee benefit package. Ed made the motion, Bill seconded that we move forward with pursuing this apprenticeship program. Ed aye, Bill aye, Jim aye.

Unforeseen New Business:

None

Bill made the motion to **adjourn**, Ed seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM.



Chairman