

Board Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Rural Water District No. 2, Miami County, Kansas was held on December 8, 2014 at the District Office located at 25290 Harmony Road, Hillsdale, Kansas.

Attendance:

Directors Attending: Jim Dycus, James Bracken, Brad Ryckert, Mike McClurg, Alan Hire, Gary Guetterman, Rick Norland and Lyle Wobker.

Absent Director: Doug Hensley

Also Attending: Jerry Bennett, Lana Kettler, Carl Hartley, Sandra Hartley and Ed Kluber

Welcome and Approval of Minutes

Chairman Jim Dycus called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Brad Ryckert to dispense with reading the minutes for the regular monthly meeting. Gary Guetterman seconded. Vote: 7-0, motion passed.

Mike McClurg moved to approve the minutes as written. Lyle Wobker seconded the motion. Vote: 7-0, motion passed.

Rick Norland arrived 7:33 p.m.

Alan Hire moved to pay the bills as presented. Motion was seconded by Jim Bracken. Vote: 8-0, motion passed.

Leak Adjustments

Jerry Bennett presented a leak adjustment and letter from Michael Boles, Account No. 0725. Mr. Boles was unable to attend the meeting because of his wife's health. He said the leak was repaired and he understood and agreed to the four years' time frame. Jerry informed the Board of the leak details:

Average Usage-4,595 gallons
Leak Usage-54,900 gallons
Leak Billing Amount-\$237.36
Adjusted Leak Billing Amount-\$161.90
Savings Amount-\$75.46

Jim Bracken moved to approve the leak adjustment as presented. Brad Ryckert seconded the motion. Vote: 8-0, motion passed.

Subscriptions & Line Extensions

There were two meter subscriptions received since the November 2014 board meeting:

1. Tabernacle Homes-Walnut Creek Estates, Phase 4, Lot #6
2. John Fisher-343rd & Woodland Road

Old Business

Carl Hartley reported on the status of Spring Hill payment of the minimum charge invoice from 2013. Carl said he visited with Jonathan Roberts, Mayor of Spring Hill. Mr. Roberts told Carl he had been working with Jerry Bennett regarding the invoice. Jerry Bennett stated he had not heard from the City of Spring Hill until a phone call this afternoon.

Jerry said Mr. Roberts wanted to set up a meeting to discuss the minimum charge and contract negotiations. Mr. Roberts did ask Jerry to ask the Board to consider the same consideration on the minimum charge they have granted in prior years. Mr. Roberts indicated to Jerry the City would want to reduce the minimum usage or possibly want to amend the current contract to a graduated scale on the minimum usage amount.

The Board then discussed the City's allocation in the plant, the minimum charge for 2013 and the upcoming minimum charge for 2014. Carl Hartley recommended the Board authorize Jerry Bennett, Jim Dycus and himself to meet with representatives from the City of Spring Hill. The committee would advise the City, it needs to pay what is owed the District before the Board would consider a written proposal from the City on the contract amendment. It was the consensus of the Board to try to collect the full amount of \$89,702.77.

Chairman Dycus asked the Board if they had reviewed the SKW contract proposal. Carl Hartley reviewed the contract changes and suggested a phone conference with SKW to discuss the agreement. It was the consensus of the Board to proceed with the modifications to the agreement.

Engineering

Jerry Bennett updated the Board on the internet connections with GoBrolly Communications.

Legal Report

Carl Hartley said it was a distinct pleasure to work with and for the Board over the last several years. Chairman Dycus presented Carl with a plaque for 37 years of dedicated service. Board members and staff thanked Carl for all of his work and guidance and wished him the best in his retirement.

Manager's Report

Jerry Bennett asked the Board to review the voting ballot. They are going to be mailed out on Monday, December 15th. It was the consensus of the Board the ballots were good and ready to be mailed. Jerry said the ballots were due back in the office or postmarked by January 15, 2015.

Jerry informed the Board that the WRAPS class scheduled for December 6th, here at the District's plant, was postponed until April.

Jerry said he was meeting with the Paola School District and Fort Scott Community College about the possibility of bringing the FSCC Water Science Program to the Hillsdale School.

Announcements and Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 8:30 p.m.

Brad Ryckert
Secretary

Jim Dycus
Chairman

Date