REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

May 16, 2018 1:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 1:04 pm by Vice-Chairman Sims with Curt Lorenz and Owen Nicholson present. Also present was Manager Bruce Halverson, Keri Scott, and Janet Lease. Director John Handler and Chairman Hickey were excused from the meeting.

There were no members of the public present.

MINUTES

Director Nicholson made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 18, 2018 meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Lorenz and passed unanimously.

Director Nicholson made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2018 Budget Committee meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Lorenz and passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Director Nicholson made a motion to approve the financial report for the month ending March 31, 2018. The motion was seconded by Director Lorenz and passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2018-04: Temporary-Employee Deductible Reimbursement Plan

Manager Halverson explained the Employee Deductible Reimbursement Plan has been in place for the past 14 years and reimburses each employee their out-of-pocket health insurance deductible up to \$500.00 annually.

Director Lorenz made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-04. The motion was seconded by Director Nicholson and passed unanimously.

MANAGER'S REPORT

<u>Disinfection Changeover:</u> There was a miscommunication with Northstar about the style of hypo tank that was ordered (bottom fed vs top fed). The issue has been resolved and the bottom-fed tank should arrive on Monday, May 21st.

Generator Donation Update: Due to the cost of annual maintenance, the church decided to pass on the opportunity of accepting the generator donation. The EVC requested the opportunity be presented to the City of Wheeler for the Wheeler City Hall. It was agreed that the donation should be offered to the next organization that would benefit. Wheeler is on board to accept the generator donation and has inspected the equipment and is working on a plan and location for install.

River Discharge Season: The last day for discharging into the river is May 25th. The ponds are pumped down enough to quit discharging into the river sooner if we had to. When the irrigation fields dry out completely, we will start watering them. This will probably occur in mid-June.

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BOARD COMMENTS

Director Lorenz asked about the Warehouse roof replacement timeline. Manager Halverson responded the roof is slated for the 2018-2019 budget and will be completed over the Summer

Director Lorenz asked about the use of solar power for the agency as discussed at the May Budget meeting. Manager Halverson explained that solar power was being researched and planned. The first step in using solar power in our Emergency Preparedness Plan is to install solar power to run the emergency radios. It was discussed that solar power could be used to run the panels and controls at the lift stations and their propane generators would be used to run the pumps. Manager Halverson discussed the likelihood of replacing the main lift station propane tanks with 500 gal tanks to double the capacity. Manager Halverson described the main lift stations as Dean's Point, City Park, Fire Station, Administration Building, and Wheeler North.

Board of Director's June 20th meeting will be at 7:00 pm because it is the budget public hearing.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no members of the public present.

There being no further business, Vice-Chairman Sims adjourned the meeting at 1:22 pm.

Jim Hickey, Chairman

Bruce Halverson, Manager