

## 6/27/13 Minutes

### 1. Call to Order 4:10 pm

Directors present: Ward Holmes, Jeff Wagner, and Ron Borrego. General Manager Charlie Smith and 18 customers were also present.

### 2. Approval of Agenda- Approved with item #7 Source Water Update being moved to item #4.

### 3. Approval of 5/30/13 Minutes – Jeff moved to approve the minutes, Ron 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved.

### 7. Source Water Project Update- Charlie met with LPWWA engineer Jeff Shamburg on June 19 to work on the LDWA/LPWWA agreement. The Tribes are committed to participating in the Intake Structure to CR210 portion of the project. A goal is to have a draft agreement completed by July 29.

### 4. Steve Jacobs Well Request

Steve Jacobs owner of a 35 acre parcel in Shenandoah, 240 Bridlewood Lane, has requested that LDWA allow a well permit through DWR. The well permit meets DWR criteria.

Ron moved to approve a letter to DWR stating that LDWA has no objection to Steve Jacobs obtaining a well permit contingent upon Mr. Jacobs supplying a letter to be recorded with the La Plata County Clerk stating that a cross connection device approved by the Authority is required and that the well will be used for permitted irrigation and animal watering and only for domestic use if the Lake Durango reservoir water volume drops below 250 acre-feet. Jeff second, approved.

### 5. Gemperline/Priest Water Bill

The renter and owner of the property at 924 D&RG are disputing who is responsible for the water bill(s) that include 150,000 gallons of water usage in March with \$8400 in premiums. The renter, Travis Priest has sent a check for \$420 (he averages his water bill as \$140 per month) for the past three months water bills with a memo that that overages are the responsibility of the owner. There was a similar high water usage event at this address last year that was identified as a sprinkler leak and repaired. The owner, Joe Gemperline, felt the water bill is the responsibility of the renter. All LDWA and LDWC Water Service Agreements include language that the property owner is responsible for water charges as does the LDWA Rules and Regulations Resolution. The source of the lost water has not clearly been identified.

Jeff moved to charge 1<sup>st</sup> tier premium fees for the unaccounted water. Customer Joe Wacker commented that because of water restrictions the high water use should incur a greater penalty and should be billed at full premium rates. Ron second Jeff's motion, approved.

### 6. General Managers Report

#### Financials, Billing, Insurance, etc.

Profit and Loss, Balance Sheet, and Budget Performance reports for May were reported, YTD ordinary income is at budget, May Water sales are \$7,948 less than budget due to water restrictions. YTD operating expense is \$28,178 less than budget.

#### Source and Supply –

The lake volume is 385 AF and Stage 3 restrictions are in effect.

#### Treatment

May Water Production was 6,638,500 gallons (20.4 af, 5.2 af less than 2012). June production is on track to be 15% less than 2012. Raw water iron levels are increasing resulting in increased chlorine demand.

#### Distribution

May water sales were 4,557,817 gallons (14 AF, 2.2 af less than 2012.) Leaks were repaired on Wildcat Road (2), CR125, and Indian Bend. The Wildcat leaks were both at glue joints. The CR125 leak located on the Wells property was at a 6" bell and gasket joint, two similar leaks were repaired nearby in 2012. The leak at Indian Bend turned out to be on the home owner's side of the meter. The existing meter was not recording any flow, a new meter has been installed.

### **Reservoir Improvements**

Russell Engineering has received the signed contract for reservoir improvements and begun preparation of bid documents.

### **Other**

The 2014 DWRF Eligibility Survey has been submitted, it includes \$7,087,180 of capital improvements.

### **8. Approval of Bills**

Jeff moved to approve payment of the bills as presented in the check detail. Ron Second, approved.

### **9. Public comments or Questions**

There were many customer comments and questions regarding actions the Authority is taking in response to the drought and the low lake levels. Charlie is investigating higher priority La Plata River water rights to be used for an Emergency Substitute Water Supply Plan to be submitted to the State. Temporary water delivery options were also discussed.

Charles Trantham reported that the Rafter J chip seal project was complete.

### **10. Adjourn 5:25 pm**