

Draft 9/16/21 Minutes

- 1. Call to Order** at 5:15 pm - The meeting was held via Zoom. Directors present: Ward Holmes, Jeff Wagner , Tom Brossia, Chuck Stevens, and Michael Roussin. General Manager Charlie Smith and attorney Floyd Smith were also present.
- 2. Approval of Agenda** – The Tax Notice was moved to item #4
- 3. 8/25/21 Minutes** – Mike moved to approve the 8/25/21 minutes. Tom 2nd, Approved
- 4. 2008 Tax Notice**

A back tax notice for 2009 taxes for the Rafter J tank site was received from La Plata County. The taxes due are \$42,593 which includes interest and penalty. The original tax amount which was not paid by the Water Company was \$8,716. Notice of this tax due was originally received in 2011, the Authority responded to La Plata County at that time. The board directed Charlie to draft a letter to La Plata County Treasurer reaffirming that the Authority is not responsible for the tax.

5. General Managers Report

Financials, Billing, Insurance, etc.

Balance Sheet and Budget Performance reports for August were reviewed. Rafter J water sales are estimated. YTD Water Sales are \$62,000 above budget (Retail \$44,000 over and Bulk \$18,000 over.) YTD expenses are \$3,800 below budget.

Customer Larowe is requesting premium relief for a leak that occurred in July. The Board took no action because the leak has not been repaired

Source and Supply –

The Lake volume is approximately 808 acre-feet. The Reservoir projection assumes no La Plata River water in 2021 and 2022. Pumping was resumed from Lake Nighthorse.

Charlie spoke to Bob Wolff from ALPWCD regarding the status of the Lake Nighthorse direct flow/joint pool allocations. At a preliminary meeting between ALPWCD and Association attorneys it was decided to have consulting engineers continue the discussion.

Lake Durango, Amber, and Johnson 2 reservoirs were inspected on 8/24.

Lake Durango Dam Inspection Report found no major deficiencies but full storage is conditioned upon an outlet pipe inspection. Two inspection services are proving quotes.

Johnson #2 is approved full storage conditioned upon removal of vegetation on the dam face.

Copper sulfate may be added to the reservoir the last week of September.

Treatment

August water production was 8,254,400 gallons. CDPHE conducted a Sanitary Survey on Thursday September 16. Numerous document requests were uploaded in preparation for the survey.

Distribution

August water sales are approximately 6,250,000 gallons.

Leeder Construction's \$10,970 bill for four road repairs in Rafter J is in the check detail. They missed one 3' x 3' spot that will need to be fixed next year

Other

A customer has posted a complaint about his water bill on Nextdoor social media site. He has habitually high water usage in the summer. The majority of comments were supportive of the Authority.

The backhoe failed to start. Wagner diagnosed the problem as corroded battery terminals. Parts are on order.

6. TTHM Compliance

Nothing new to report

7. DOVE Compliance

Rust Automation is preparing quotes for instrumentation for the DOVE project. Updated quotes for new finished water pumps that will fit in the existing openings in the clearwell have been requested from Water Technology CO (Goulds pumps) and Boyer Seeley (Floway pumps.) have not yet been received.

8. General Manager Hiring Process –

The Board discussed the General Manager Hiring process. Chuck Stevens, Mike Roussin, and Jeff Wagner will act as the hiring committee.

9. Rescind Resolution 2020-4 Disaster Declaration

Resolution 2020-4 will continue to be in effect at this time.

10. Approval of Bills – Mike moved to approve the bills as listed in the Check Detail report, Chuck 2nd, Approved.

11. Public comments or Questions.

12. Adjourn.