

MINUTES

ROGERS MESA DOMESTIC WATER ANNUAL MEETING

JANUARY 8, 2018

Meeting was called to order at 2:01 pm and begun by the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present – Ross Allen, Wink Davis, Steve Ela, Dan Schultz-Ela and Fred Johnson.

- **Roll call.**

29 members holding 39 memberships and 12 proxies are present, for a total of 51 votes.

- **Proof of due notice and determination of quorum**

The meeting was announced by mail with December and January bills and by notice published in the Delta County Independent (Dec 6 and 20, 2017) and High Country Shopper (Dec 20, 2017 and Jan 3, 2018). A quorum is defined as the members present.

- **Approval of previous meetings minutes.**

Members took a moment to review last year minutes. Paul Schmucker made a motion to accept the minutes with minor changes and Grace Burgevin seconded. All members were in favor, there were no objections.

- **Report of Board of Directors by President or Vice-President**

Wink introduced himself and the other board members. He thanked the board for all of their hard work over the last year. He then introduced Cassandra and asked her to present her report.

- **System engineer report**

Cassandra went over her written report about work done on the system (see attached). We had three unexpected leaks this year. One very major one on 3300 Rd that caused us to lose more than 58 million gallons of water in a very short period of time. The Town of Hotchkiss went above and beyond, they helped us with the repairs and forgave us the water overage. If they hadn't, we would have owed \$119,000 for the water bill.

That break caused the mains to empty quickly, creating a vacuum situation and reminded us all of the need for backflow prevention. Not every house on the system has a backflow preventer.

Cassandra thanked Jim for his help and for stepping up to take care of the maintenance.

There will be training for and Emergency Response Team Saturday February 10. Anyone interested should meet at the water plant at 10 am. We really need more people to call on in emergency situations.

There is a job opening for a certified operator – someone to take Casssandra's place.

Cassandra is working on the backflow prevention requirements as required by the state. Right now the state requirements only apply to commercial taps that might have points of cross-connection.

Last year Larry Head expressed concern over the water quality as it came from the Town of Hotchkiss. Cassandra related her conversation with the Town to the whole group. The Town of Hotchkiss tests for turbidity regularly and have always been below minimum standards. Larry Head clarified his concern. He has a secondary filter system for his kitchen and these are the filters that are dirty.

Wink acknowledged Cassandra for her work and for the good reviews we get from CDPHE. He presented her and Try with a bonus check, thanked them for their service and said he was sorry to see them leave.

Wink also acknowledged Diane and Jim and presented them with bonuses as well. He thanked Jim for stepping up with the maintenance and for being on call 365/24/7. Jim might take the classes for the Certified Operators license so the company will have a backup.

Wink also introduced Randy Fisher and acknowledged North Fork Accounting for their help.

The company just went to a new monthly billing system with postcards for bills in the hopes that it will help customers budget and reduce our delinquency rate. Larry Head said that his accountant loves these new bills, they make it very easy.

The company also has a new website (www.rmdwc.org) and email address (rogersmesadomesticwater@gmail.com)

In October we had that huge leak – 58 million gallons of water – which yielded a \$119,000 water bill from the Town of Hotchkiss. The Town credited us \$115,000. Thank you to the Town for their generosity.

This has been a year of transition with Troy turning over maintenance to Jim, Cassandra stepping out and a new billing system.

In the coming year a few of the goals are:

- Finalizing the staff reorganization,
- Clarification of a few policies
- Emergency Response Team training and development of an on-call team
- Installation of backflow preventers. There are 175 to 200 houses that do not have them.
- Reduction of delinquency in bill paying – hopefully monthly billing will help with this.

- **Report of Treasurer**

Dan Schultz-Ela went over the highlights of the financial reports. The money we invested last year is doing well and has begun to pay nicely. He went over the Statement of Cash Flows that was handed out at the beginning of the meeting (see attached). A motion was made and seconded to approve the financials as written. All members were in favor, there were no objections.

Wink thanked Dan for his efforts as Treasurer.

- **Old business -**

No Old Business

- **New Business**

No New Business

- **Elections**

After 25+ year, Steve Ela is stepping down. Wink's term is also up. These are the two board positions that are up for re-election. Ross Allen would like to nominate Wink Davis and Paul Schmucker to the two seats up for re-election. The floor is opened for nominations for vacancies on the board. No nominations from the floor. Casey Stengel moves that we close the nominations and Louis Ketchum seconds. Wink and Paul are elected by consent.

The meeting is adjourned at 2:50 pm.

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MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
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The meeting of the board of directors was called to order at 2:58pm. The purpose of the meeting is for the election of officers.

Present: Ross Allen, Wink Davis, Paul Schmucker, Dan Schultz-Ela, Diane Perry.

Ross Allen nominates Wink for President, Fred for Vice-president and Dan for Treasurer. Paul Schmucker seconded.

By unanimous vote:

Wink – President

Fred – Vice-president

Dan – Treasurer

Diane – Secretary

The next meeting will be January 22, 2018 at 3:30 pm to discuss Joe Davis's tap and other unfinished business.

Meeting adjourned at 3:10pm.