

BONE MESA DOMESTIC WATER DISTRICT
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On March 15, 2023 at 7:07pm, the regular meeting of the Board of the Bone Mesa Domestic Water District was held. This meeting was called to order at The Living Farm Education Center by Jacob Gray, Vice President. Mitch Morgan, Secretary/Treasurer was present, establishing a quorum. Kirk Morgan and Viva Kellogg were also present. Bruce Doak, President was present for the second half of the meeting.

Public Comments: There were no public comments.

Jacob Gray made a motion to approve the February 21, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes. Mitch Morgan seconded the motion, and all present were in favor.

Monthly Reports:

- Water Flow Reports: Mitch reported:

Line 1 had a 203 gallons (0%) loss, Line 2 had a 66K gallons (33%) loss, Eagle Butte Area had a 26K gallons (42%) loss, Line 3 had a 5K gallon (11%) loss, Spurlin Mesa had a 175K gallons (78%) loss, and South Spurlin Mesa had a 2K gallon (95%) gain. System wide water loss was 270K gallons (37%).

- Report of Treasurer: Mitch reported: **Bank account balances as of February 28, 2023 were: Checking: \$31,343.41, Emergency and Capital Improvements Reserve: \$115,472.94, Tap Installations Reserve: \$7,585.84 and UBB CD 11/28/22: \$101,178.59.**

February income was \$9,561.38 plus \$399.22 interest income, expenses were \$8,354.67 and net income was \$1,605.93.

Mitch Morgan made a motion to change Viva Kellogg's independent contractor agreement effective date from February 1, 2023 to January 1, 2023.

Jacob Gray seconded the motion, and all present were in favor.

- ORC Report: Kirk reported:
He performed corrosion control sampling five times.
He reported a backflow prevention policy problem at tap #3110 which needs to be revisited. He is working on the Consumer Confidence Report (Water Quality Report).
He performed lead & copper sampling and Viva will send letters to tap owners by April 15.
He presented a plan for Mays Spring and Mays Raw Tank to install a pipe in the raw tank to draw water higher up to reduce turbidity and to install a meter for water coming into the tank.
Viva reported that Brian-Mountain Peak Controls recommended to Gordo that the District consider buying a cellular based datalogger to access the data from the Mays Spring at an estimated cost of \$3,000 for the equipment with 2 years cell service included and installation. The Board and Kirk discussed this option and decided against it for now. Kirk will ask Cory-Town of Paonia if he will provide the monthly information to Gordo instead having to obtain the information from Brian.

Old Business:

- Meter System Upgrade: Viva reported that she contacted Dick Kendall, Gordo and Kirk about the next two installations, but has not yet ordered the meters. Kirk will check on the PRV vault on Line 2 to see if the new meter can be installed in there.
- Grants for Remote Monitoring and Control Systems, Storage Tank, Water Treatment Membrane: Jacob reported that Jeremy-WestWater Engineering is estimating major grant projects for the District.
- 2023 Major Maintenance Projects: There was nothing new to report.
- Insurance: Jacob is working on this item.

New Business:

- 2023 Election Cancellation: Viva reported that everything has been done to cancel the election.
- Succession Planning: The Board requested that Viva place a two week ad in High Country Shopper for someone to help with accounting special projects.
- Tap #3240 Problem: Viva presented information about a new tap line that was installed several years ago by tap owners' contractor who was told by the ORC at that time that he would handle the actual connection. A recent leak repair at that tap showed that the new connection to the meter was never done because the old connection was still there with highly rusted galvanized material. The Board discussed the situation and all agreed that the District will replace that old connection with a new one.
- Amended Application for Exemption from Audit: Viva determined this will not be necessary.
- Bill Payments: **Mitch Morgan made a motion to approve the check register for the current checks to be signed.** Jacob Gray seconded the motion, and all were in favor. Checks were signed.
- Executive Session re Compensation: Kirk and Viva left the meeting and the Board went into executive session at 8:55pm to discuss compensation. They exited the session at 9:23pm.

Mitch Morgan made a motion to accept Kirk Morgan's independent contractor agreement. Jacob Gray seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:24pm.

Jacob Gray, Vice President

Viva Kellogg, Meeting Secretary