

Minutes of Pecan Valley RWD Board Meeting 8/9/2022

Meeting called to order by Josh Powers, Chairman, at 6:30 PM.

Roll Call, Jim Hampshire present, Bill Malone present, Larry Adair present, Josh Powers, Chairman present, Ed Hewett absent. Also present, Jack Outhier, Manager.

Larry made the motion, Bill seconded, to approve the minutes of the July 12th & 19th meetings. Roll call, Bill aye, Larry aye, Jim aye. Minutes approved.

Discussion and approval of financial report. Bill Malone, Treasurer, explained higher expenses related to all the annual memberships and subscriptions. Discussed various points on finances. Jim made the motion, Larry seconded, to approve the financial statement. Roll call, Bill aye, Larry aye, Josh aye, Jim aye. Motion passed.

Manager's Reports -- Jack reported on the following items:

- 1) Reported on ASCOG meeting and various funding opportunities.
- 2) Reported on engineer and project status.
- 3) Reported on application to ORWA/DEQ regarding funding for the PV North water loop project. There followed a lengthy discussion regarding the projects and funding and the processes.

Under Old Business: None

Under New Business:

- A. Discussed the Sewer volumetric rate in PV South, this past month's impact. Following a lengthy discussion, it was determined that the Board needed to call a Special Meeting to create a new rate. Larry made the motion, Bill seconded, that we table this for a Special Meeting when all the expense information is available. Jim Nay, Bill aye, Larry aye, Josh aye.
- B. Discussed the Irrigation meter flat rate and publishing our policy for removing the unused irrigation meters as per the Policy approved at the July meeting. Jim made the motion, Bill seconded, that we do a mailing of that policy to those in PV North as well as posting it on our website. Larry aye, Josh aye, Jim aye, Bill aye.
- C. Discussed communication to the appropriate communities for each decision made. After lengthy discussions about letter to public, including numerous edit instructions, Bill made motion, Jim seconded, that Jack publish the edited letter on the website and put links to that letter on community's social media sites. Jim aye, Bill aye, Larry no, Josh aye.

- D. Set the date for the Special Meeting ('A' above), Monday, August 15th, at 6:30 PM to address issue of the sewer rates. Jim made the motion, Bill seconded, that we hold this Special Meeting to address the issue of the sewer rates. Jim aye, Bill aye, Larry aye, Josh aye.

- E. Discussed giving Jack authority to actively pursue Grant funding from ORWA, ASCOG, ARPA, and other sources to accomplish the projects outlined in the attached form. Larry made the motion, Bill seconded, that Jack be authorized to apply for the grant funding from various entities. Jim aye, Bill aye, Larry aye, Josh aye.

Jim made the motion, Bill seconded, that the meeting be adjourned. Jim aye, Bill aye, Larry aye, Josh aye.

Chairman

Minutes of Pecan Valley RWD Special Board Meeting 8/15/2022

Meeting called to order by Josh Powers, Chairman, at about 6:30 PM.

Roll Call, Ed Hewett present, Jim Hampshire present, Bill Malone present, Larry Adair absent, Josh Powers, Chairman present,. Also present, Jack Outhier, Manager.

Under Old Business:

- A. Reviewed Costs of Operating Sewer System. Jack had prepared and presented spreadsheets that broke down the costs of operating the sewer system including breaking out labor, equipment, materials & chemicals, and office expenses for each; sewer lagoons, lift station, and collection lines.
- B. Lengthy discussion related to various aspects of how the volumetric rate had impacted people for water that didn't go into the sewer. Various solutions were discussed with the general consensus that we should be going to a flat rate as it was impractical to install irrigation meters for everyone.
- C. Ed made the motion, Jim seconded, that we rescind the volumetric rate retroactive one month. Ed aye, Jim aye, Bill aye, Josh no, Larry not present. Motion passed.
- D. Ed made the motion, Jim seconded, that we set the sewer rate as a flat rate at \$36. Ed aye, Jim aye, Bill aye, Josh aye.

Jim made the motion, Bill seconded, that the meeting be adjourned. Jim aye, Bill aye, Larry aye, Josh aye. Meeting adjourned.

Chairman