

Minutes, Pecan Valley RWD, Board of Directors, February 13, 2024

Jim Hampshire, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Roll Call: Jeff Ewing present, Ed Hewett present, Leighton Duitsman present, Bill Malone present, and Jim Hampshire present.. Also present, Jack Outhier, District Manager. Jim declared a quorum.

Minutes: Ed moved that the minutes from January 9, 2024 be approved as presented. Jeff seconded the motion. Jeff aye, Ed aye, Leighton aye, Bill aye, Jim aye. Motion carried.

Ed moved, Leighton seconded, that the minutes from the Special Meeting January 16, 2024 be approved as presented. Jeff aye, Ed aye, Leighton aye, Bill aye, Jim aye. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Bill Malone presented the Financial Report. Jeff moved, Ed seconded, that the financial report be accepted as presented. Jeff aye, Ed aye, Leighton aye, Jim aye. Motion carried.

Manager's Report:

- Status of lawsuit against Hilliary Communications. Filed. March 13, 2024 is the hearing date.
- Completed the water line and meter installation for the Preschool.
- The issue with the resident over the broken driveway when we installed the new main on Pecan Valley Dr. has been resolved. He has indicated his willingness to accept the check for \$2,200 which is what the Concrete Contractor quotes us to repair that section of the drive.
- Filed lien against 40 Sandy Trail Ln for \$726.

Old Business:

- A. Ed made the motion to approve the Water Rate increase as presented: (~6% Base Rate Increase for water (from \$33.56 to \$35.56) with graduated scale increasing to keep all users between 5.4% & 6%) to go into effect in March to show on the April 1 billing. Jeff seconded the motion. Jeff aye, Ed aye, Leighton nay, Bill aye, Jim aye. Motion carried.
- B. Bill made the motion, Jeff seconded, that the Sewer Rate increase of 9% to a flat rate of \$39.24 be approved to go into effect in March to show on the April 1 billing. Jeff aye, Ed aye, Leighton aye, Bill aye, Jim aye.

New Business:

- A. Approval of Minutes from Annual Members' Meeting January 25, 2024 to be provided to the Annual Members' Meeting in April 2025. Jeff moved, Bill seconded, that we accept the minutes as written to be presented to the

Members at the 2025 meeting. Jeff aye, Ed aye, Leighton aye, Bill aye, Jim aye. Motion carried.

- B. Discussion on timing for Board to receive documents prior to each monthly meeting. Recommended that minutes go out earlier (probably within a week of the meeting) and Agenda goes out several days in advance so people can spot needs for change.
- C. ORWA, OK Rural Water Association, Annual Technical Conference is in Norman, OK April 10 – 12, 2024. Training and vendors, Thursday (all day) and Friday (morning).

Unforeseen New Business:

- A. Jim brought up the issue created by our moving the election of Board Members to April next year. This creates a potential issue of Board members training running out, thereby disqualifying them from being on the board. We will have an item on next month's Agenda to deal with this and related concerns.
- B. Ed pointed out that Arvest is still paying well on CDs.

Adjournment: Bill made motion to adjourn. Adjourned at 7:50 PM.