

Franklin County Rural Water District #1
Board Meeting Minutes
November 19, 2019

PRESENT: Lance Town, Jake Jenkins, Garrett Taylor, Scott Wood, Tom Wilson, Nicole Roecker, Keith McAdoo, Cathy Duderstadt, David Alderman.

GUESTS: Cole Meyer.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Lance Town called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

2. GUEST/MEMBER CONCERN:

Cole Meyer a resident on Tennessee Road north of Thomas road would like to have rural water. He voiced his concerns about well water quality at the previous board meeting, so several on the Board and Tom were aware of his concerns and have been trying to address it. Mr. Meyer has been contacting his neighbors to see how many families might be interested in water from the District. Many if not all of these residences are in Douglas County, another issue to be looked into. Cole indicated that no matter who else decided to receive water from us, he was ready and wanted to connect as soon as possible. The Board is trying to decide "when and how many" at this point.

3. READING AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

Garrett Taylor moved to approve the minutes, Scott Wood seconded, motion carried.

4. OPERATORS REPORT:

Tom reported on his and Nicole's activities since the last Board meeting. (See Tom's report under separate cover.) Tom reported that someone had done some damage, vandalism at the water tower, trying to get up on top. He repaired the damage, and improved the security to keep everybody safe. They helped customer Dale Pearson find a leak on the customer's side of the line. Work was much appreciated.

5. BOOKKEEPERS REPORT:

Cathy reviewed the financials. District showed a profit for the month of October. Still red for the year. Cathy reviewed the accounts receivable past due customers, and reviewed the bills to pay. Garrett Taylor moved to approve the financials, Keith McAdoo seconded, motion carried. Garrett Taylor moved to pay the bills, Scott Wood seconded, motion carried.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

Lance Town provided an engineering proposal from Midwest Engineering Group out of Fredonia Kansas. This would be a smaller firm than PEC, less expensive and doing procedures like evaluating water meter additions and smaller water studies. Board will consider the savings, no action taken.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

A second laptop has been purchased, now both Nicole and Tom can do the reading, and the District has been reorganized into three routes to read.

Reviewed the changes proposed for the Personnel Handbook. Lance Town moved to approve the changes, Jake Jenkins seconded, motion carried.

Lance distributed a blank Employee Performance Review to the Board in order for them to review Tom. With that a formal review can be scheduled. Tom will evaluate Cathy and Nicole this year.

Cathy updated the Board on the progress on the 2020 budget. With the projected income and expense figures, the Board will consider possible rate changes for next year.

Tentatively approved a water application for Steve Hayden, Sand Creed Road. Will forward to engineering for review.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

Garrett Taylor moved to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Scott Wood seconded, motion carried.