

Franklin County Rural Water District #1
Regular Monthly Board Meeting Minutes
April 18, 2023

PRESENT: Cathy Duderstadt, Karen Walburn, Larry Endecott, Brad O'Dea, Keith McAdoo, Gary Clark, Tom Wilson, David Alderman.

VISITOR: Cole Meyer.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Endecott called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

Chairman Endecott asked Cole Meyer to present first. Cole has been at several meetings previously, and has paid for a benefit unit on Tennessee Road north. He would like water in the near future, but is not in a big hurry, and is not demanding action. He would like some type of timetable, and is probably more concerned about the escalating costs due to the price of pipe. He indicated that he has spoken to more and more people buying land in that area and wanting rural water rather than digging a well. He would like the cost shared among buyers, rather than he bearing the entire line cost. Tom said he would get new current cost figures for the next meeting.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Keith moved that the March minutes be approved as presented. Gary seconded; motion carried.

4. OPERATORS REPORT:

Tom reported on his and Nicole's activities for the last month. Wellsville contract is still being negotiated in minor ways; Wellsville City Council still has to approve. This Board is currently good with the terms. Tom is still looking for a mower, would like a zero turn stand up type which he has found at Home Base here in Ottawa. He has also purchased a used drill press for the shop, and needs to be paid back for that. Tom reported on the Wichita KRWA annual meeting, much of the time was spent on the Lead Copper reporting. It will be an extra work load for everyone. Tom, as usual, has prepared a report for the Board outlining his monthly activities, which is included in the Board packet.

Karen moved to reimburse Tom for the purchase of the used drill press \$130. Keith seconded motion carried.

Keith moved to purchase a new commercial stand up zero turn mower from Home Base for \$6540. Karen seconded; motion passed.

5. BOOKKEEPERS REPORT:

Cathy reviewed the March financials. A loss in Operations for the month. Reviewed the "bills to pay", accounts receivable, past due accounts, and CD action needed. We have several accounts that are on a payment plan to get their water account paid off, including the VFW. A sign of the times.

Keith moved to play the bills, and to approve the financials, Gary seconded, motion carried.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

Wellsville contract. See Operators report.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

Tom discussed the possibility of charging the LOH Fire District a minimum bill each month, a little over \$20 but not charge them for the actual water used. They are building a new fire station and so a change might be appropriate. Much discussion, as far as we can tell most Water Districts do donate water to the Fire Districts.

Keith moved to continue the current policy of a complete donation of water to the new LOH station on Sand Creek Rd. Brad seconded; motion carried.

Tom and Cathy reported what their vacation schedule would be this year.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

Karen moved to adjourn at 8:30 pm, Keith seconded, motion carried.