

Franklin County Rural Water District #1
Board Meeting Minutes
January 21, 2020

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

GUEST: Cole Meyer

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Lance Town called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

2. INTRODUCTION OF GUEST:

Chairman Town offered the floor to Cole Meyer to see where the District stood on providing Mr. Meyer with water. Cole indicated that he would like to have water sooner rather than later. Tom has been canvassing neighbors to determine how much total interest there may be for rural water in the general area. The engineering report came back noting that because of the elevation of Cole's property, a livestock watering system would be fine, but if and when he decides to build a home, Cole may have to have a small reservoir of water within the home, and then increase the pressure with a small pump. Board acknowledged the fact that Cole was in a hurry, but we still had some logistic and engineering work to be done before we could begin.

3. READING AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

Garrett Taylor moved to approve the minutes as presented. Keith McAdoo seconded; motion passed.

4. OPERATOR'S REPORT:

Central RV, east K68, is contesting easement right of ways involving their intentional water line move resulting in the breaking of the line and some expense to repair. Tom has turned this issue and all information over to our attorney.

The old RWD #7 water line on Louisiana Terrace was finally located, Russ Pitts capped and put a clean out and valve to serve the two potential customers directly south of there. Tom will get an estimate of what costs there would be to connect to the two houses.

Tom has worked with the City of Ottawa on a new contract with RWD #1. A preliminary copy was reviewed by the Board with several revisions recommended. It now needs to be reviewed by the District's attorney before we go back to the City with changes.

Russ Pitts Rural Water Services who does the bulk of our repair work, notified us of a price increase for his services. Tom felt that considering his dependability, his quality work, and few past increases, that he provided the best option for the District.

Tom has a summary of the work he and Nicole did for the month under separate cover.

5. BOOKKEEPERS REPORT:

Cathy reviewed December's and 2019 year end financials. We showed a loss for the month and the year in operations. Cathy reviewed accounts receivables and past due accounts. Reviewed the bills to approve. Jake Jenkins move to pay the bills, Karen Walburn seconded, motion carried. Garrett Taylor moved to accept the financials as presented, Scott Wood seconded, motion passed.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

Discussed possible Board candidates to replace Jake Jenkins who has decided not to run again. Ira Speer's name was suggested, he will be contacted.

Employee evaluations were discussed, it was decided to go into Executive session after the Board Meeting adjournment to discuss.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

Tom discovered a newly rebuilt mechanical meter at Cottonwood Animal Hospital was reading incorrectly, reading too high. Tom eventually replaced that meter with a new solid-state meter to remedy.

The District needs to appoint an attendee to the KRWA's annual meeting as our voting delegate. Will wait to see who all may be going this year to decide. No action taken.

The Hillsdale HAWC meeting will be February 19, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Lance, Tom, and Garrett plan to attend.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

Garrett Taylor moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 7:55 p.m., and to go into Executive Session for sixty minutes to review employee evaluations. Jake Jenkins seconded; motion carried.

No action taken in executive session, came out at 8:35 p.m. Meeting adjourned.