Rim Trail DWID

Special Meeting

September 11, 2025

Call to order at 6:13 pm

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JT Driscoll

Good evening.

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JT Driscoll

But um.

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Ray Tanner

OK.

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JT Driscoll

John said he's running a few minutes late.

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JT Driscoll

Hey, Sarah, still waiting on Jeff.

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Sara Carroll

Hello.

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Sara Carroll

OK.

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JT Driscoll

So I had that Gimpy black bear walk through my driveway again last night.

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JT Driscoll

He likes Rim Trail, apparently.

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William Regg

He still looks like he's limping.

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JT Driscoll

A little bit. You can tell he's got a game leg, little bit of lip. It didn't look as obvious as the video of him walking through your place a few weeks ago.

0:10:7.483 --> 0:10:7.723 JT Driscoll Yeah. 0:10:8.83 --> 0:10:9.563 William Regg I sent that to Ganon. 0:10:8.523 --> 0:10:10.43 Sara Carroll How big is it? 0:10:8.803 --> 0:10:11.563 JT Driscoll But I'm pretty sure it stayed bare though. 0:10:13.123 --> 0:10:13.323 William Regg E. 0:10:13.363 --> 0:10:18.243 Sara Carroll How big is it? I just asked how big it was. 0:10:13.763 --> 0:10:14.123 JT Driscoll What's? 0:10:18.643 --> 0:10:20.963 JT Driscoll Big enough that I don't wanna pet it. 0:10:21.83 --> 0:10:23.883 Sara Carroll Good idea. 0:10:22.123 --> 0:10:22.283 William Regg Right. 0:10:24.323 --> 0:10:30.683 William Regg Yeah, for real. Yeah, I would 100 plus 150. This is not a full grown bear. 0:10:26.243 --> 0:10:27.683 JT Driscoll I'd say he's a. 0:10:29.683 --> 0:10:30.43 JT Driscoll Yeah.

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JT Driscoll

He's no cub, but yeah, he's like a teenager running around.

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JT Driscoll

I'm actually surprised he's not causing more problems. I I haven't heard anything about him getting into anything other than the the beehive. Like he's not going through people's trash or bugging your chickens or anything like that.

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William Regg

Yeah, so far, so far, so good, I guess.

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JT Driscoll

He came back around a second round with that beehive just to make sure he destroyed everything I had out there.

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William Regg

Oh man, that's unfortunate.

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JT Driscoll

It's kind of funny.

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Robert McCarver

It's open. I can hear everything we're saying right now. I just turned it on. Hello. Can you hear? Hi.

Yeah, I'm fine. Thanks.

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JT Driscoll

Hi, Robert. We can hear you. How are you?

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JT Driscoll

Thanks for being here tonight.

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Robert McCarver

Who am I speaking to?

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JT Driscoll

This is JT Driscoll.

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Robert McCarver

OK. Hi.

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Robert McCarver

I knew your father.

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JT Driscoll

Who's that?

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Robert McCarver

Oh, maybe not. Never mind. I'm getting mixed up.

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JT Driscoll

It's possible he he was around but.

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Robert McCarver

Yeah.

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JT Driscoll

David, you talking about David?

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Robert McCarver

You know, I'm not sure now, to be honest. Sorry.

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JT Driscoll

Oh, OK, you got my interest.

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Robert McCarver

Yeah, sorry about that.

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JT Driscoll

No, it's alright. We're just making small talk. We're waiting for a couple of other members to join us here before we get started.

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Robert McCarver

That's fine.

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Robert McCarver

Uh.

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John Tanner

OK, JT.

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JT Driscoll

There's the other JT. How you doing, John?

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John Tanner

Good. Sorry about that.

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JT Driscoll

No, that's all right. I appreciate you joining us today. I know you're, I think you were traveling from what you said earlier, but.

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John Tanner

Yeah, I was.

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John Tanner

Got away from work late and stuck in traffic.

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JT Driscoll

Well, let's get started here. 6:13 PM on September 11th and I call this meeting to order, starting with roll call to confirm a quorum.

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JT Driscoll

John Tanner, Vice President.

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John Tanner

Here.

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JT Driscoll

Ray Tenner, Treasure.

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Present.

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JT Driscoll

Will Reg, Secretary.

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Ray Tanner

Good.

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Present.

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JT Driscoll

And Jeff Manley is not in attendance tonight.

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JT Driscoll

So we are here tonight as a special board meeting to discuss one topic and that is district management transition. As we know, Sarah is unfortunately leaving us. Sarah, your last day is the 16th.

Do I have that day right?

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Sara Carroll

Yes.

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JT Driscoll

16th So we are right down to it. She and I have been busy recruiting and also soliciting proposals for district management. We have a couple of candidates individually, but I don't think any that are ready to step in and and take the reins.

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JT Driscoll

We do, however, have two strong proposals, I believe, of two organizations that can come in and assume most immediately billing functions. We'll look at what they offer in the two different proposals today.

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Sara Carroll

Mm

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JT Driscoll

So it is my hope that after a discussion that we will be able to vote to move forward with one of these options, given the obvious time constraints we have with Sarah's feeding.

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JT Driscoll

With that, Sarah, I guess we should go ahead and pull these up and take a look at them.

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Sara Carroll

Yeah, I wasn't sure if you had set a time to meet with Cheryl. I think that was part of in one of the emails, kind of a pre-interview type thing.

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JT Driscoll

No, I do have the two proposals and I also have.

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JT Driscoll

Side by side comparison that I had shared with the board to help a little bit with seeing the differences between the two board members, do you need some time to take a look at the proposals or are you familiar enough with them to start a discussion on that?

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Ray Tanner

In his Cheryl third option, Cheryl.

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William Regg

I'm ready to start a discussion. I think it was very, very nicely spelled out. Thank you.

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JT Driscoll

Ray, Ray, I think you guys were talking at the same time.

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Ray Tanner

Yeah, is Cheryl a third option or is Cheryl related one of them?

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Sara Carroll

She is, um, part of the Arizona Utility Billing Solutions.

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JT Driscoll

So why don't I do this? I'll just go through these. This is the summary obviously, and we can look at the individual proposals as well.

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JT Driscoll

So we can use this as a discussion board. So Southwestern Utility, there's a one-time onboarding fee of \$1000. The monthly service fee for managing our district would be \$1100.

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JT Driscoll

That's for the 98 meters. So that's you know 13 two first year would be 14 two because of that one

time onboarding fee. That does not include open meeting management, board management as you see here printing and posting.

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JT Driscoll

Messaging bills. Those would be invoiced hourly, depending on what staff they use and what the service is needed at 75 to \$95 an hour.

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Ray Tanner

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JT Driscoll

Structure for Arizona utility billing is 450 per statement. We have 98 meters, so that's \$441.00 a month accounting fee 550 a month. So the total monthly would be 991 and the annual total then comes out to.

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JT Driscoll

11,892. Similarly, that does not include clerical administrative board support board meeting that would be billed at.

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JT Driscoll

41 an hour and advanced accounting work would be billed at \$60.00 an hour. Am I stating all of that correctly there, Sarah?

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Sara Carroll

Yes, yeah, that looks right.

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JT Driscoll

OK.

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JT Driscoll

And for onboarding, there is no fee if the existing El Dorado backup is used.

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JT Driscoll

Would we be able to use that, Sarah?

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Sara Carroll

We have a backup. It would probably go ahead and translate into the new platform and I've sent out an e-mail for the Eldorado Creative Solutions tech support to get a hold of me.

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Sara Carroll

To kind of see what that would entail. But if they already, if Arizona utility billing already has it set up and they just need a file to put into that, yeah, then it's.

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JT Driscoll

Dump in there.

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John Tanner

Uh.

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Sara Carroll

That would be that would work best.

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JT Driscoll

OK.

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JT Driscoll

Shall I continue or any discussion points on the fee structure?

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Ray Tanner

JT, let me ask a question on these. Have you met personally with either one of these organizations?

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JT Driscoll

I have not. Sarah has at this point.

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Ray Tanner

Which you have now.

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JT Driscoll

I have not had a chance to yet, no.

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JT Driscoll

Uh, going through the.

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Sara Carroll

I can talk a little bit about that if you want about my dealings with these two entities. So Arizona utility billing, they actually do the billing for one of the districts that I do bookkeeping services for.

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JT Driscoll

Yes, please. Absolutely.

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Sara Carroll

They have, I believe like a three-person staff. They are in the Prescott area and I I haven't had a whole lot of, you know, issues kind of communicating back and forth with them.

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Sara Carroll

They, when I spoke with them, kind of, you know, explained the situation. They were, you know, eager to see if it was a good fit. Southwest Utilities, I I know they're a really big.

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Sara Carroll

You know, management company. I believe they're out of Tucson. I've met the owners personally.

Well, I mean professionally, but I haven't worked with them professionally.

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Sara Carroll

So Veronica Wein is the owner and oh, what's his name? Steve Wein is the husband who kind of works with the districts, and he's also a lawyer that.

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Sara Carroll

Kind of specializes in special districts, so they kind of got that whole thing covered on in the Tucson area.

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JT Driscoll

Great. Thank you for that. And Ray, I would think that, you know, it's very likely we could make a vote tonight pending, you know, a final meeting with the organization we like or something along those those lines. We're just trying to move fast given the timeline we've got.

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John Tanner

JTI have to ask you, we had that action item follow up and one of them was Rocio Row, Ben's I believe wife to take over billing and books. Is that is that a a viable?

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JT Driscoll

Yes

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John Tanner

Direction that we be going.

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Sara Carroll

OK.

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JT Driscoll

Hmm.

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Ray Tanner

I've had I think 3 three conversations with her and she still didn't have it up to date. And in talking to her, I had assumed because of her billing looked as if it was QuickBooks that she had QuickBooks experience, but she does.

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JT Driscoll

Oh, interesting.

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OK.

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Ray Tanner

Oh, she said.

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John Tanner

OK.

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Ray Tanner

So it it'd be kind of starting from ground Ground Zero with her. I think she'd, you know, try hard, but.

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JT Driscoll

Yeah.

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John Tanner

OK.

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Ray Tanner

And I really don't want to.

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JT Driscoll

What I have in my mind with that and we can, you know, include this in ongoing discussion is that I think she, if she were interested in the role obviously might be a good complement to hiring one of these firms. They offer the additional support that we could hire somebody to work for.

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JT Driscoll

For the district to do the minutes, support the meetings, we have calendars, etcetera. That might be a a better suited role for her as well. It's not something I've spoken to her about.

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Ray Tanner

You say you have or have not?

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JT Driscoll

Only very high level. She was asking me for interview tips on how to talk to you, Ray.

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Ray Tanner

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Ray Tanner

Just just say what's on her mind.

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JT Driscoll

Right. And get a resume to you. That's what I should have said, so.

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Ray Tanner

Yeah.

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John Tanner

OK.

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John Tanner

OK, so that's not an option.

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JT Driscoll

OK.

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JT Driscoll

So I think we're kind of wading into the scope of service a little bit anyway. So I'm going to use that as a segue to to keep going. So Southwest, I think these are very similar. There's customer billing, payment posting and deposits. They have a 24 hour emergency service contact.

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JT Driscoll

Customer service calls, they maintain a billing portal and a website. This is something Sarah had been

talking about and I think will be great when we have it, where there's a button on our website that you can click on it and pay electronically.

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Ray Tanner

Yeah.

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JT Driscoll

Monthly account reporting, basic regulatory book, bookkeeping and stand standard financial reports and then coordinating with the field staff for shut off reconnections, etcetera.

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JT Driscoll

Arizona, Full Accounting, QuickBooks and El Dorado, ARAP, payroll, reconciliation, financial statements, budgets.

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JT Driscoll

Customer billing, collections and title company coordination.

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JT Driscoll

They do custom operational reports for pump efficiency, tank levels, water loss, et cetera. They take care of our government filings, customer service during business hours and there is a 24/7 line.

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JT Driscoll

At district cost and they name the district in their insurance coverage, which I'd be willing to bet so would Southwest.

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JT Driscoll

Key differences.

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JT Driscoll

Southwest will be 13 to the first year, \$1000 more and Arizona billing is 11892.

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JT Driscoll

Southwest does billing and basic bookkeeping, where Arizona does full accounting, payroll budgets, filings, audits.

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JT Driscoll

Southwest has a flat monthly fee of 1100 plus whatever extras we utilize. Arizona again, we broke this down earlier, but 441 for the for the meters and then 550 for the accounting, so 991 compared to 1100.

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JT Driscoll

For the two.

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JT Driscoll

Um, both of them have 24/7 customer support. Uh, there may be some expense for off hours for Arizona.

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JT Driscoll

Board meetings. Southwest will charge us 95 an hour for additional support not listed in in this agreement. Arizona is 41 to 60, so obviously a much more cost-effective option for that part of it.

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JT Driscoll

Technology Southwest uses. What is UMS? Sarah, can you help me with that?

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Ray Tanner

Um.

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Sara Carroll

I think it's utility management Services or software. I'm not familiar, no.

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JT Driscoll

OK.

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JT Driscoll

Sounds like a good guess, if nothing else, but Arizona uses El Dorado that we're already using, so no likely conversion. We need to look into that back up.

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Sara Carroll

Yeah.

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Sara Carroll

Bring.

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JT Driscoll

And then we covered insurance. My guess is this is would be the same for both and that Southwest just didn't mention it in their proposal, but Arizona would provide liability insurance and name us on their insurance.

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John Tanner

Where is Arizona located again? Utility billing solutions that Prescott.

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Ray Tanner

Rescue.

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Sara Carroll

III think they're in Prescott.

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John Tanner

And then Southwest was Tucson.

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Ray Tanner

Tucson.

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JT Driscoll

So I now open this U for.

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JT Driscoll

Discussion and conversation. See if I'm gonna pull these both up here at the same time.

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JT Driscoll

I don't know if I'm not good.

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Robert McCarver

Just just around the Carver for discussion on the I don't know if I can speak but on the the different companies just on the surface the I think the Southwest one sounds a better option but I'm not that expert in it just off the surface.

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Robert McCarver

Opinion.

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JT Driscoll

What is it that you see that you like better about it?

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Robert McCarver

It seems like it's more professional. It seems like it has some of just the way it was presented. I think it's just seems like they're more together with it all.

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Robert McCarver

More modern stuff maybe?

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JT Driscoll

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Robert McCarver

That's it's just an opinion, that's all.

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JT Driscoll

That's what we're here for. No, I appreciate you sharing it now.

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Robert McCarver

It's a gut. It's a gut feeling. That's all it is for the most part.

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John Tanner

Well, I mean just comparing the two.

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John Tanner

It just had the opposite sense that I mean the Arizona is, it seems it's slightly less. It's got the full accounting, payroll, budget, filing audits, it's charging us per meter.

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John Tanner

Um.

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John Tanner

Customer support Uh.

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John Tanner

Board meetings, it's certainly less per hour. Technology jives with our El Dorado.

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John Tanner

Provides liability insurance with district as name insured. Well, that's would hopefully be a given but.

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John Tanner

Again, I these people would be basically taking Sarah's place.

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John Tanner

That's that's the idea here and I I don't know, I don't know.

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Sara Carroll

The other the other thing is they did mention that they do work with Ben for another system that they manage, so they're familiar with him already.

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John Tanner

Arizona does.

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Sara Carroll

Yes.

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William Regg

I do like that they're using El Dorado and we don't have to convert our system to something more proprietary.

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Ray Tanner

Well, they're also using QuickBooks and hopefully they'd have historical information available for like comparison and balance sheet information from one year to the next.

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Robert McCarver

Good point. I'm not, I'm not familiar with El Dorado or any of that kind of programming, so.

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JT Driscoll

It's our billing software that we use and Ben works, you said with Arizona utility on another branch or Southwest Arizona. OK, OK.

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John Tanner

OK.

0:39:14.203 --> 0:39:14.923

Robert McCarver

Sounds good.

0:39:16.163 --> 0:39:17.163

Robert McCarver

Yeah.

0:39:24.83 --> 0:39:28.123

Sara Carroll

Yes, no Arizona, Arizona.

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JT Driscoll

Do you know which district that is?

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Sara Carroll

I don't recall which one she said, but she she when I requested the quote, she's like, is this the same Sarah that I work with the other district? And I said yes. And she's like, oh, do you work with Ben also? And she said that I just can't remember the name of the district.

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JT Driscoll

Yeah.

0:39:53.763 --> 0:39:54.43

Sara Carroll

Work so.

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Ray Tanner

You know, JT, have we gotten any kind of references of who they do business with that we could talk to for any either one of them?

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JT Driscoll

Right.

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JT Driscoll

Yeah, I think that that's what I was just noting here. If Ben's working with them on a local district here, I think that would be a pretty ideal reference for us to speak to.

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Ray Tanner

Well, I, you know, usually when I hire somebody, I like to talk to at least three other people that they work for.

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JT Driscoll

Yeah, I I also, I think agree with those others that have spoken up from the board that Arizona utility billing, billing seems like a better fit for us. I think a smaller company actually is probably a better fit for our district as well.

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JT Driscoll

But the technology is a big part of that. You know, they use Eldorado and they use QuickBooks. So I'm sure it's not quite as simple as this, but it sounds kind of plug and play anyway to to transition over to them

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JT Driscoll

And it doesn't hurt that they cost a little bit less and that'll be even more significant if we utilize them for for things other than, you know, the primary contractual responsibilities, board support type functions.

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Ray Tanner

Well, I'm, you know, based on what you've given us, I'm, you know, I'm leaning towards towards Arizona utility billing system myself just for those reasons. You know, it's nice that they appear to be a little less expensive, but.

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JT Driscoll

Yep.

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Ray Tanner

Even Even so, I, you know, I'd like to, you know, talk to, you know, at least three of their customers and see what they think of.

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JT Driscoll

What, uh, what I have in mind?

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Ray Tanner

And even talk to somebody from you here from you know from a UB and because I you know I've got some questions I don't think you have the answer to or Sarah or anybody else.

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JT Driscoll

What what I would propose, Ray, is like you're saying. In fact, I think that you should be a part of that most definitely as as treasurer, I think that.

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JT Driscoll

If the board does decide to pursue Arizona utility billing, then we would collect references from some of their clients. Of course, I'm going to talk to Ben more about it as well. And then Ray, you in particular, but maybe you and I can have a conversation with.

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JT Driscoll

Cheryl to interview her as well to make sure that that we feel like she's a fit.

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Ray Tanner

That'd be fine.

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JT Driscoll

And if the board was so inclined, we could vote on it this evening pending, you know, positive interview with Cheryl and positive references to move forward with the agreement as as with the proposal as as provided here.

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JT Driscoll

Thoughts on that?

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Ray Tanner

Yeah.

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JT Driscoll

So the motion I would be looking for is to.

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William Regg

Agreed.

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JT Driscoll

Authorize Ray and myself to engage with Arizona Utility Billing Solutions with this proposal pending satisfactory references and interview with Cheryl.

0:43:39.523 --> 0:43:46.243

John Tanner

And you were gonna get a try to get maybe 3 references, Ben being one of them, I guess.

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JT Driscoll

I'd say been in addition to them, but yes.

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Ray Tanner

Me too.

0:43:53.963 --> 0:44:0.3

Ray Tanner

If we have an even number, then JT can call too and I can call too.

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JT Driscoll

Right.

0:43:59.363 --> 0:43:59.723

John Tanner

OK.

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JT Driscoll

I also like that Sarah has experience working with them and I know she has a very positive interaction with them.

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William Regg

All right, I'll make the motion. Then I move that we.

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William Regg

Higher Arizona Utility Billing Solutions, LLC.

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William Regg

For our billing and district management pending reference calls.

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William Regg

That JT and Ray Tanner will perform.

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Ray Tanner

I think we want to include in there too bookkeeping.

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JT Driscoll

What is that, right?

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John Tanner

District.

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Ray Tanner

And we want to include include bookkeeping, billing, bookkeeping and management.

0:44:59.523 --> 0:45:1.523

William Regg

Yeah, district management and bookkeeping.

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JT Driscoll

Oh, in the motion, yes.

0:45:2.723 --> 0:45:2.843 John Tanner OK. 0:45:6.523 --> 0:45:8.803 JT Driscoll We will need a second. 0:45:9.883 --> 0:45:12.3 John Tanner I'll second the motion. 0:45:13.243 --> 0:45:19.243 JT Driscoll All right. All members in favor, please say aye, aye. 0:45:18.883 --> 0:45:19.3 Ray Tanner Bye. 0:45:19.203 --> 0:45:19.243 William Regg 0:45:20.83 --> 0:45:20.163 John Tanner Bye. 0:45:20.483 --> 0:45:22.643 JT Driscoll Those opposed say nay. 0:45:24.83 --> 0:45:40.363 JT Driscoll And any abstentions? I don't think I heard any that the record show the motion passed unanimously. And Ray, actually Sarah, would you be able to set that up conversation with? 0:45:41.83 --> 0:45:44.643 JT Driscoll Um, Cheryl and ask her for some references. 0:45:45.523 --> 0:45:47.123

Sara Carroll

Uh, yeah. Mm-hmm.

0:45:47.243 --> 0:45:48.883

JT Driscoll

Appreciate your help.

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Sara Carroll

OK.

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Sara Carroll

And then you'll be setting up a meeting directly, or did you want me to ask her for available times?

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JT Driscoll

Yeah, if you maybe just ask her for available times and copy Ray and I and we can take it from there.

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Sara Carroll

OK.

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JT Driscoll

That works.

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JT Driscoll

I believe that covers new business, board reports, district management, service cost, billing program, accounting program, updates and cost.

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JT Driscoll

Anything else we should have brought up in there in #345, Sarah?

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Sara Carroll

Um, I don't think so.

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JT Driscoll

OK.

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JT Driscoll

That what's that?

0:46:39.363 --> 0:46:43.963

Sara Carroll

Thanks. I'll just work with. I'll just work with.

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Sara Carroll

El Dorado. And then I guess E was it Harmony in core for the to make sure everything transfers for, you know, for the updated version of El Dorado. Yeah, yeah.

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JT Driscoll

With that back up, yeah, yeah.

0:47:9.683 --> 0:47:18.563

Ray Tanner

Sarah, my recollection is we paid El Dorado right after you took over. You know, we we we, you know, re.

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Ray Tanner

They reapproved or paid for another year subscription on our our.

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Sara Carroll

Yes.

0:47:28.763 --> 0:47:42.283

Ray Tanner

Our software with them so you could have support on. So should have something you know come from them. It shouldn't cost us anything at all going through the auto system another.

0:47:33.323 --> 0:47:33.803

Sara Carroll

Yes.

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Sara Carroll

So the yeah, the quote I had, I had gotten from them to upgrade individually. They did account for crediting a portion of the support if.

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Sara Carroll

It is going directly under Arizona utility billing, their version, then it probably would just go under their maintenance, their annual maintenance. So there may be some sort of refund or that kind of thing from El Dorado.

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Sara Carroll

If it's kept separately, there might be a difference in the annual maintenance amount. And that was that was part of the quote that I had gotten a couple months ago, two months ago I think.

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JT Driscoll

And Sarah, you said that's what you were going to be looking into.

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Sara Carroll

Yes, yeah.

0:48:41.443 --> 0:48:41.603

JT Driscoll

OK.

0:48:43.163 --> 0:48:47.483

JT Driscoll

We'll know that before we make any final decisions, right?

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John Tanner

Yep.

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JT Driscoll

OK, love these short agendas on to Section 3, call to the public. This is for non agenda items.

Members of the public may address the board on any issue within the board's jurisdiction. I know.

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Robert McCarver

You.

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Robert McCarver

OK, yeah, that's why I'm here. It's more of a personal issue. I I emailed Sarah and she's leaving, so she referred me to Ben. I haven't been able to get hold of, but it's been a long-standing issue with my water. I live on 892 Whitetail Knob and over the years it's.

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JT Driscoll

Open it U.

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Robert McCarver

I persistently have sand in my water. I have smells like pond water. My turns my toilets brown. I brought this up a while ago with Don and I showed. I gave him samples of my water and and it looked clear at 1st and then you let it sit. It turns white and then it turns brown.

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Robert McCarver

And so then he said, then they said, well, you know, when you get there you get sediment in the blind. So just open up your water and leave it run for 20 minutes, 20-30 minutes and then and then it should clear up. So we did that for a while and it worked for for some time. And now that I I do that, I open up 20-30 minutes. Of course, I think I'm wasting water.

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Robert McCarver

And then we've closed off and now the toilets are all brown. My tank was water heater. I'm sure it's getting crud on or whatever is in that water and it's it's persistent and I you know we're paying for

potable water. It smells like pond water and so I'm not sure what's going on and I'd appreciate if somebody could look into this and see.

0:50:18.683 --> 0:50:30.763

Robert McCarver

I don't know if I'm at the end of the line or that I haven't heard of anybody else having these complaints. So I just wanted to bring that up and then I'll call Ben and talk to him about it, but.

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JT Driscoll

Yeah. And Robert, you said you had not yet heard from Ben.

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Robert McCarver

I haven't. I have. To be honest, I haven't. I haven't tried calling yet. No, we did. Oh, well, I'll try one again. Apparently my wife said she tried to call him, but she didn't get a hold of him.

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JT Driscoll

OK, OK.

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JT Driscoll

OK. Yeah. I mean, obviously this is a matter we take really seriously. So if he hadn't reached out to you, I'd, I'd make sure that he did. But I'm not aware of any other, any other residences with similar issues.

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JT Driscoll

I think I did hear about this happening on Whitetail Knob before. Any other board members? Do you have any historical knowledge about this?

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Ray Tanner

JT back in, I think it was 21, we replaced about 1100 feet of galvanized pipeline from basically as I recall it started with the as the paint ran South.

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Robert McCarver

Yeah.

0:51:17.243 --> 0:51:17.363

Robert McCarver

OK.

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Robert McCarver

No.

0:51:28.483 --> 0:51:36.483

Ray Tanner

And that was replaced under the current whiff alone, but and and it was really badly rusted.

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Ray Tanner

As far as I know, I thought we got all the bad line out of there. You know, the galvanized line, it's probably galvanized line that's 50 or years old. So there may be more of them that needs to be replaced. That's something we need to look into.

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John Tanner

OK.

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Robert McCarver

OK.

0:51:59.843 --> 0:52:0.483

Robert McCarver

OK.

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JT Driscoll

Robert, have you spoken to any of your neighbors? I just out of curiosity, we can contact them as well, but

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Robert McCarver

I had heard that Bremleys are on the end of our line too, and they've they've never had a complaint. So I don't know if I just happen to be where everything settles in my area and then, yeah, yeah.

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JT Driscoll

OK.

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JT Driscoll

You're the lucky one, huh? Yeah. Well, it sounds like, yeah, it sounds like the next step is we need to get Ben out there to to take a look at everything and make an assessment and give us some suggestions on what we need to do to to fix that.

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Robert McCarver

So.

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John Tanner

Right.

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Robert McCarver

And part part of the problem is too, when you when you run the water, most of the time it looks clear, but if you let it sit for a while, everything goes to pot, you know it just. And then like the last few times, every time we turn on the water, it smells like to me pond water coming out, but.

0:52:46.203 --> 0:52:54.3

Robert McCarver

Could we get, could we be in a bin so that you could maybe there something?

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JT Driscoll

Hey.

0:52:47.883 --> 0:52:50.83

JT Driscoll

Yeah, that's disturbing, right?

0:52:51.883 --> 0:52:58.563

John Tanner

Ray, who was, who was it that we met with down there?

0:52:53.123 --> 0:52:53.443

Ray Tanner

Yeah.

0:52:57.723 --> 0:52:58.403

Robert McCarver

Yeah.

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Ray Tanner

Mel Brownlee.

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John Tanner

I mean, he had a similar complaint, right?

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Robert McCarver

Yeah

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Robert McCarver

Oh, he did.

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Ray Tanner

You know he had. I don't recall that he had quite exactly the same thing, but he was getting some

color in his bar. And it, you know, it appeared to me to be, you know, rust from. From a galvanized line, which whether it's part of the same line when it comes down, you know,

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John Tanner

Now.

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JT Driscoll

Yeah.

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Ray Tanner

Down off whitetail not to his place or it's a whole different settlement.

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John Tanner

And that would be the same same water line, right?

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Ray Tanner

John, I I don't know. If it comes down off a white tail knob, it could be. You know there is a line that comes down off a white tail knob that you can actually, as I understand, I've never done it, but you know you can.

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Robert McCarver

No.

0:53:41.883 --> 0:53:42.323

Robert McCarver

Yeah.

0:53:42.243 --> 0:53:42.523

John Tanner

Yeah.

0:53:51.643 --> 0:53:52.683

Sara Carroll

I had a.

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Sara Carroll

I had a.

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Ray Tanner

Drain the retail knob tank down to the main tanks but.

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Sara Carroll

I had a question for Mr. Carver. How old are your supply lines to the property?

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Robert McCarver

Well, the cabin was built in 1965 and I remember early on when it was first built, we just pumped the water out of the stream up to the cabin and then I guess the water district or they formed the water district and they put the lines in and that's.

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Robert McCarver

That's all I remember is that put lines in and that's the way it's been since then. So it's 4050 years old.

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Ray Tanner

Robert, do you know, do you have galvanized lines in your can in the in your cabin?

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Robert McCarver

No, we have copper.

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Ray Tanner

You do, yeah.

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Robert McCarver

Yeah.

0:54:39.163 --> 0:54:39.323

Ray Tanner

Mm.

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Robert McCarver

OK.

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Sara Carroll

Might need to look at what the lines coming in from the meter are through the property.

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Ray Tanner

lt.

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Sara Carroll

If they're original or not.

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Robert McCarver

Well, maybe they they probably saw part of those lines when they replaced the meter. I don't know if the you know and see what line is going towards the towards the cabin from the meter when they replaced it. I I don't know who did that but.

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William Regg

Mr. McCarver, how's the pressure at your place?

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Robert McCarver

It's excellent, yes.

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William Regg

It's excellent. Good.

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Robert McCarver

Yeah, I have nothing.

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William Regg

Hmm. So I know that the old copper lines can. Sometimes they can.

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William Regg

You know, have build up in them and if it was the same original lines that were used to pump water from the Creek, that meant that may be suspect.

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Robert McCarver

Well, but that that was like, like I said, 65 when I first opened up the cabin. So and if, yeah, I doubt that that's still got issues from them because we had good water for many, many, many years.

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William Regg

OK.

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William Regg

Well, we should definitely get Ben to come out and and check it out and see if if he can, you know put some answer some of the questions that you have.

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JT Driscoll

Right.

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Robert McCarver

Yeah, if you get a hold of him or before I do or whatever, just ask him to try to set up a time when I can be there too, so we can open up the cabin and if he wants to look inside or anything.

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JT Driscoll

Yeah.

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JT Driscoll

Robert, did we exchange an e-mail, I think, with our contact info?

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Robert McCarver

OK.

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JT Driscoll

We did, right?

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Robert McCarver

Yeah, well, yeah. When I emailed Sarah, it was on there and then I, you know, that's where our bills come through is on, you know.

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JT Driscoll

OK, I wanna make sure you know how to reach me and you know, follow up and make sure Ben gets out to you. And you said you were in contact with Ben like you have his his info.

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Robert McCarver

We have his we have his phone number. My wife said we tried to call him. He didn't. He wasn't. He didn't answer. And actually his his phone box was full, his message box, so.

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JT Driscoll

Yeah, he spends a lot of his days, you know, out of service, as you'd imagine, working on remote water systems. But I I will make sure he gets in touch, you know, look into that.

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Robert McCarver

Great. Appreciate it.

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JT Driscoll

Sorry you're having that problem. It sounds very, uh, distasteful.

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Robert McCarver

Yeah, it's not fun when you want to spend a nice week up there or something and then have to worry about the water.

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Robert McCarver

And yeah, I mean, take a shower and let you feel cruddy afterwards, so you know.

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JT Driscoll

Yeah, just skip it, right? So.

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Robert McCarver

Yep. No, you go downtown.

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JT Driscoll

OK. Any other calls from the public before I move to adjourn the meeting?

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JT Driscoll

OK, I will entertain a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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William Regg

So move.

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John Tanner

650.

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JT Driscoll

6:49 PM Do we have a second?

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John Tanner

OK, I'll second the motion.

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JT Driscoll

All those in favor say aye. Anyone opposed say nay.

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William Regg

Hey.

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JT Driscoll

And no abstentions. This meeting is adjourned. Thank you for joining for this quick meeting, Ray. I'll be in touch with some interviews.

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William Regg

Thanks everyone.

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JT Driscoll

Good night.

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Sara Carroll

All right, thank you. Goodnight.

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John Tanner

Thank you.

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Ray Tanner

Sort of technology that is out there. It is out there.

Adjourned at 6:49 PM.