

Rim Trail Domestic Water Improvement Special District Board Meeting Minutes

July 15, 2022

Held via zoom

APPROVED Minutes on 8/3/22

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM

2. Roll was called – Chairman Bruce Johnson (BJ), Treasurer Ray Tanner (RT), Vice Chairman Will Regg (WR), Secretary John Tanner (JT), were present and a quorum was established. Parliamentarian Jeff Manley delayed (JM)

District Manager: Mario Ascoli (MA)

Public: Judy and Bryant Scott (JS), Buddy Rice (BR), Joe Lutrario (JL), Rich (RG) and Shirly (SG) Grady, Cindy Johnson (CJ) and Harry Jones (HJ), Jesse Richardson (JR) and JT Driscoll (JD) joined later.

BJ motioned to postpone approval of minutes, Treasures Report and District Managers Report until after B&R Hearing and adjourn the meeting and move right to Budget Rate Hearing, WR 2<sup>nd</sup> motion, motion passed

Budget/Rate Hearing:

RT with support of MA summarized the proposed budget for 7/1/22 to 6/30/23. RT reviewed budget which was posted on our RTDWID website and publicly reported in Payson Roundup.

RT reviewed Rate and Fee schedule and there were no changes to rates. The only changes to R&F schedule are that it shows effective date of 7/1/22 with no expiration so if there is a delay in new R&F notice the rate will remain the same.

Also, at bottom of form under \*Flat Rate... in the 2<sup>nd</sup> line the (2) was changed to and (A) reflecting the current base minimum rate and in same paragraph – 4th line the word ‘account’ was changed to ‘rate’. BJ individually asked for any comment from the public and there were no comments except a question from HJ – asked regarding Cash position if there was any outstanding payables or receivables (Draws) on the current WIFA loan. RT indicated we are current on WIFA accounts and nothing outstanding. RG asked for clarification on A of the R&F schedule showing 3,000/month and 36,000/yr. – MA explained the fiscal year usage. BJ asked for any further questions from Board or public and hearing none, at 6:22PM BJ motioned to adjourn B&R Hearing and reconvene to regular meeting, RT 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. None opposed and B&R meeting adjourned and we Reconvened to regular meeting.

5a. BJ asked for motion to approve new B&R fees for the year as proposed, WR moved and BJ 2<sup>nd</sup>. No discussion so BJ asked for vote: Vote was unanimous, Proposed B&R fees approved for 7/1/22 thru 6/30/22.

3. Approval of Minutes from the 6/9/22 meeting: WR move that we review the minutes and discuss paragraph 5g re: water heater issue, JT 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Discussion: BJ reviewed the issue of the contaminated water heater and the District’s involvement in replacing it and it had not been settled at last meeting on if it was approved to pay. JT had gotten a revised quote for water heater replacement from Wrangler Plumbing. After discussion JM motioned to reimburse 50% of material cost of WH and 100% of install fee up to the total of \$2750, BJ 2<sup>nd</sup> the motioned. 4 voted in favor and RT abstained. Motion passed and MA and BJ will proceed with offer on partial payment described above. It was determined to keep this motion separate from the minutes of last meeting so minutes from 6/9/22 will stand. JM motioned to accept the minutes from last meeting and BJ 2<sup>nd</sup> the motioned. Motion passed unanimously; 6/9/22 minutes accepted.

4a. Treasure Report: Total income thru May \$919 over budget, Admin expenses were \$2,611 under budget, Water Operation Expense \$10,147 under budget, Net Ordinary Income was \$13,000 over what we budgeted (thanks to MA).

4b. District Manager Report: MA opened with continuous concern of high-water usage during the summer months and needs to remind users to shut off their water mains when gone for extended periods. There were 4 blue stake requests since last Board meeting. On Current Repairs and Upgrades: 1. Install of Juli Vbrock meter, he is having trouble locating main and the effort is in process this week. 2. Install of AMI meter for Beluzzi Main Line will wait until fall. 3. Install pump at Draw station for WTP, need to assess river flow and anticipate damage to line when flooding, will consult Michael Plough for help on location. 4. The addition of concrete meter at Mark Pond driveway to prevent damage to water main; this opened concern from the Board and RT noted typically this would be responsibility of owner to assure proper care of district meter and going forward we should adhere to that policy. However, the Board previously agreed to take care of this, we have the concrete meter box and will get it installed. For Ongoing projects: 1. WIFA WTK Tank replacement to be discussed later in mtg. 2. WIFA AMR/AMI meter installs – we have 3 bids and Ferguson has new supplier for meter acquisition – the prices have gone up \$80-90 than before and currently negotiating for lower cost. 3. Well 2 and 3 AMR/AMI meter replacements working pricing with Jordan Miller. For Future projects in MA priority: 1. install main AMR meter on Belluzzi line. 2. Install pump at Draw station for WTP. 3. Run Turbidity test at WTP 4. Install booster pump at Well #3, 5. Test Generac generators at Well #3 and WTP.

6. Concern on Chlorine tanks inside well houses.
  7. Pressure pump at WTK tank for residents.
  8. Pressure pump at WTP/Harvest Main Tanks.
  9. Pressure Level Sensor on all tanks.
  10. Automatic switching of wells.
  11. Re-plumb Well #'s 2 and 3.
- Other: Still working on Chase Business Banking to secure a credit card and re-initiate ACH access to the online banking. MA added, the gate valve at corner of Rim Trail Rd and WTK has a slight leak and will need to be addressed.
- 5b. District Manager and Water Operator Contracts: RT noted compensation increase in the contract that was not included in approved budget. MA will revise contract and present it has an agenda item at next meeting. Overwhelming sense of Board that we should find a way to correct the mistake and find another way to compensate DA and WO for inflation adjustment. RT will investigate it and get back to the Board.
- 5c. WIFA WTK Tank project and bids: MA presented 3 quotes and Board requested MA present it in spread sheet form, so it is clear comparison on apples for apples. Board also wanted to make sure the contractors included in their proposal the acknowledgement of meeting all the Davis-Bacon Act requirements. It also came into question if the replacement of the WTK tank was necessary and if we could just do repairs to accomplish a more affordable result. After discussion it was determined that MA will check with WIFA REP. and find out if we can change directions on repair vs. replacement and the Board will make this an agenda item on next meeting. Because of the sense of urgency to get WTK tank/s awarded and installed – the Board set next meeting date for 8/3 at 6:00PM.
6. Call to the Public: No questions or comments from public.
  7. Call to staff and Board for non-agenda updates and recommended topics for future meetings:
    - a. The District Manager and Water Operator Contract
    - b. WTK Tank replacement/repair item and review quotes for same.
    - c. Confirm/discuss Project management of WIFA Loan projects
  8. No Executive Session
  9. Schedule for next Board Meeting: 8/3/22 at 6:00 PM via zoom
  10. Meeting Adjourned at 7:39PM

Respectfully Submitted,  
John Tanner  
Secretary