Horseshoe Irrigation Company

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

March 15, 2024

7:00 PM

Horseshoe Irrigation Company held the regular board meeting March 15, 2024, at

7:00 pm. The meeting was held in the Spring City municipal building 45 S 100 E, Spring City, Utah.

Roll Call:

- 1. Board Members: Randy Strate, John Stevens (excused), Scott Sunderland (excused), Chad Beck, Matt Francks, Mike Black, Cody Harmer.
- 2. Staff Members: Ken Jensen, Kristy Inglish.
- 3. Others: Mark Giles, Courtney Syme
- 4. Executive Business:
 - 1. Bank Statement: The current bank statements were reviewed by the board.
 - 2. Share Transfer Requests:

From	То	Shares and assessed- acres	System	Less than average water right acknowledgement
Courtney & Karl Beckstead	Ashley Webb	4 shares 14 acres	Point ditch	Verbal acknowledged
Jason Van Orman	Phillip Wood	6 shares only	S. Field to Crawford	NA
Ray & Marilyn Christensen	Camille Hathaway	1 share only	Unallocated to City	NA
Ashley Webb, ,Kathy Caldwell, Laurel Workman	Sarah Eager	2 shares W178	Well	NA
Blue Bayou Holdings LLC	Justin Johansen	2 shares W291	Well	NA
Diane Stewart	Kevin Cook	20 shares only	Unallocated to 1 st N	NA
Motion to approve: Ra	andy Seco	nd: Matt Que	estion on the motion: Al	l Aye

3. Bills to be paid:

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То	Service	Amount	
Verizon	Water master phone	\$176.92	
Sinclair	Fuel	\$46.69	
Randy Strate	Vehicle Registration	\$78.25	
Southwest Plumbing	Parts	\$5,894.96	
Jeff Watson	Gordon's Pond	\$750.00	
Sanpete Messenger	Annual Subscription	\$38.00	
Randy Strate	Annual Financial Audit	\$2,450.00	

Auto-owners	Additional Worker's comp 2024	\$61.00
Motion to approve: Chad	Second: Randy	Question on the motion: All Aye

- 4. Minutes: Motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting: Randy Second: Mike Question on the motion: All Aye
- 5. Trent Carter connection: Not discussed because Trent was not in attendance with a proposal.
- 6. Delinquent accounts: The delinquent accounts were reviewed. Matt motioned that Earl Johnson's shares will not be sold this year to give him a chance to get it paid since the property has been sold. Second: Cody Question on the motion: All Aye
- 7. Well Policy discussion: Randy discussed some of the challenges he's running into with the individual cases related to change applications. The board agreed that Randy can use his best judgement to go with the intent of the policy, in situations that don't fit exactly into the policy, instead of bringing each case to the board for a decision. Matt suggested if Randy has any doubt about something it should be brought to the board.
- 8. Protesting change applications: Randy discussed some instances of new change applications with private water rights. Mike made a motion that Randy will file protests on behalf of Horseshoe Irrigation against any change applications where water from outside the district is transferred into the Horseshoe Irrigation district. Second: Chad Question on the motion: All Aye
- **9. Residential meters:** The state is going to put a deadline in place for companies that have been approved to receive grant money to help with residential meter installation to decide if they're going to use it or not so the money can be given to other entities. Randy expects the company will have to make a decision about the grant money file for an exemption for the meter installation within a couple of months. The board discussed the long-term expenses and challenges associated with the meter installation.
- **10. New diversion for Cox acreage:** Randy had conversations with Neil Sorensen and Kevin Cook and they were both in favor filing for and putting in the diversion.
- **11. Move/update diversion for Sherm's pond:** Randy talked to Henry Barlow and will meet with him on his property about getting an easement to move the diversion.
- **12. Replacing the undersized section of transmission:** The grant request Randy submitted was approved for \$75,000 from the Utah Ag water optimization grant. Electronic metering will need to be installed as part of the upgrade to the line.
- **13. Updating 5-year plan:** Randy is going to start working on updating the 5-year plan. He asked the board to be thinking about what they'd like to put in the plan, other than the grant projects. Cody suggested upsizing the lines on the systems in small sections.
- 14. Open discussion items:
 - **a.** Chad talked to UDOT about cleaning the ditch associated with the new diversion and they said a permit will have to be obtained to clean the ditch. Randy felt that it's a good idea to get the permit to make sure the ditch will be usable before the point of diversion is filed.
 - **b.** Randy suggested that the ditch systems should be mapped, and the acreage should be assessed for operations and maintenance of those systems.

- c. Randy discussed the penstock line being a non-consumption line for the hydro plant and the diversion where the water goes into the line is a city diversion. The irrigation company will have to establish a point of diversion in their change application before the penstock line can be used to get water to the Pete Hansen system. Matt suggested a separate irrigation line should be run next to the penstock line. An engineer will look at it, and if there's going to be a negative effect on the pressure for the hydro, then that will be considered. City council was in favor of the HIC board discussing an easement for the irrigation company with the Watsons, and the city understands that their easement with the Watsons needs to be updated.
- **d.** Chad requested that next month when the systems are turned on the city be started up earlier than usual.
- e. Mike tried to get some money from FEMA for the flood prevention measures that were taken last Spring, but they couldn't give money to the irrigation company. The city offered to share the money they'll receive from FEMA with the irrigation company, but the HIC board felt the city should keep it. Randy pointed out the city has been very generous with allowing the irrigation company to use the building for meetings at no cost.
- f. Cody voiced concerns about people using irrigation water as makeup water for their change applications.

15. Next meeting date: April 19 at 7:00 pm

Adjourned: 8:50 pm

Kristy Inglish

Secretary