

December 2023

To	Service	Amount
Verizon		\$176.20
Sinclair		\$152.56
Snow, Christensen & Martineau	Legal advice	\$157.00
Southwest Plumbing		\$235.15
MKJ Construction	Pond cleaning	\$14,430.00
Rocky Mountain Power		\$5.00

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To	Service	Amount
Verizon	Watermaster phone	\$176.20
Sinclair	Fuel	\$160.57
Randy Strate	Reimburse-Computer monitor and ink cartridge	\$255.05
Blue stakes of Utah		\$63.90
Randy Strate	Consulting work July-December	\$3,854.00
Kristy Inghish	Reimburse -Toner cartridge	\$62.61

Motion to approve: Mike

Second: John

Question on the motion: All Aye

4. **Minutes:** Motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting: Chad Second:Mike
Question on the motion: All Aye
5. **Gordon's Pond and Sherm's Pond:** Randy was very pleased with the work done and the amount MKJ charged. There will be some additional cleanup work in the fall after removed material dries. There was an old line in the pond that was broken when the pond was cleaned. Randy didn't know what it was for until Jean Nielsen contacted him and explained that the Strate Ranch had been using it for stock water and asked the company to repair it. Mark Sorensen told Randy it was put in many years ago by railroad to be used for the steam engines. Randy asked Jean to get the details about the line before the company will commit to fixing it.
6. **PL 566 grant update:** The draft will be finalized by the middle of March to be sent back for national level of review from the NRCS, which could take 60-90 days. If that goes well, the next step will be a public comment period for 60 days. If there's nothing that needs to be addressed from the public comments it will be sent back for signature. It's looking like the best possible scenario would be into final design phase in September or October. The city has some things to work on with the penstock line project. Mike gave an update on that explaining that he talked to Donald Watson about getting an easement signed but this will need further negotiations. The board discussed some ideas that might help Donald with stock watering, and Randy felt the city and irrigation board need to get together with him to work it out. Randy also mentioned the meters that had originally been planned. There has been an exemption added to the state requirement, that HIC would qualify for, stating that instead of metering each connection it can be metered at strategic points. The board felt like an exemption request should be submitted and Randy said he will do so.
7. **New diversion for Cox acreage:** Randy talked to Earl Petersen about the diversion that was discussed previously for the cox acreage mapper layer. Earl thinks it should be put in on the East side of the highway instead of the West side as the company was thinking. Randy also talked to

Mark and Neil Sorensen about it since they are also big landowners in the area, and they felt it should be on the West side of the highway. Randy told them the company probably won't cover the entire cost so they need to decide if it would be worth it to them to help pay for it. Randy suggested he and Chad meet with the landowners that will be affected before the decision is made, which needs to happen before the end of March. Scott pointed out that this diversion doesn't help any other shareholders or the company so it makes sense that the landowners it will benefit should pay for it.

8. **Move/update diversion for Sherm's pond:** Randy went out and investigated the diversion and pipe that feeds Sherm's pond. He showed the map and a photo of the diversion to the board and explained why it's not working very well. It was discussed previously that the diversion could be moved up the creek so it will function better but the more it's moved up the creek to achieve more fall, more seeps will be lost. The structure at the diversion needs to be redone whether it's moved or not. The potential cost was discussed of each scenario.
9. **Replacing the undersized section of the transmission line:** Randy submitted a grant application for \$155,000 through the water optimization grant program with the department of Ag. for the project. Ken got a bid for HDPE pipe and it was over \$68,000. Randy got a bid from MKJ for excavation and they bid \$54,000. If the company doesn't get the grant, the project needs to be done anyway because currently about 4 CFS of water is being lost.
10. **Company policy review:** All board members were asked to read the policies carefully because Randy went through and made some changes to update and better clarify all the policies. Each policy was discussed.

Motion to approve revision 8 of policy 1: Randy Second: Mike Question on the motion: All Aye

Motion to approve revision 7 of policy 2: Chad Second: Scott Question on the motion: All Aye

Motion to approve revision 8 of policy 3: John Second: Chad Question on the motion: All Aye

Motion to approve revision 10 of policy 4: Approved at previous meeting.

Motion to approve revision 7 of policy 5: Scott Second: John Question on the motion: All Aye

11. **2023 financial reports:** Randy had emailed the reports to the board for review and there were no questions or concerns presented.
12. **Annual Meeting agenda:** Date set for February 22 at 7:00 pm. The agenda items were planned and discussed.
13. **Open discussion items:**
 - a. Randy has attended a few meetings for the Sanpete conservancy district and he asked Scott about what the purpose of the district is. Scott hasn't been on that board very long but discussed his perspective of what it's done previously and what changes might need to be made now that they've pulled out of the Central Utah Conservancy District. Randy would like to know how to apply to receive funds for projects with the money they have available but there isn't a process at this point.
 - b. Randy asked Scott to talk to Chester irrigation about getting some gravel in a low spot that caused overflow of the Chester Pond into the point ditch last year.

14. **Next meeting date: February 22 after the annual meeting.**

Adjourned: 9:30 pm

Kristy English

Secretary