Regular Meeting

Hauser Lake Fire Station

February 1, 2022

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Hauser Lake Water Association was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Larry Simms. Board members James Lewis, Don Evans, and Joe Wachter were present. Employees Terry Leigh, Troy Manthey, and Kaitlyn Scarborough were present. Also present, were Jon Evans, Necia Maiani (Welch Comer), and member Jesse Reed.

Minutes

Don Evans moved to approve the minutes from the January regular meeting as received. Joe Wachter seconded the motion and it carried.

Bills

Larry reviewed the handouts/ reports to the board. He explained that he has signed up to quickbooks for payroll and other purchases. He contacted Kootenai electric to get better access to electric 6 accounts. There was no itemized bills list with amounts this meeting. Motion by James to approve, second by Joe, all approved bills.

Operators Report

Terry reports the water is not frozen and a new generator is in the process of being put in. No other items to report at this time.

The Ridge at Hauser/Big Sky

Larry read letter from Big Sky requesting an additional 20 hookups with 10 already in place. Discussion: James questions the date/timing of hookups and stresses the capacity of the well. Don states his worry about high water consumption and proposes a middle ground with a set schedule prior to accepting Big Sky’s request. Joe states his concern of making sure the generator and booster are completed before giving Big Sky additional hookups. Larry is good with the discussions and would favor the proposal. Motion by Don to allow 10 additional hookups by the end of March 31, 2022, with the exception that main generator be completed, operational, and approved, and the booster station be completed excluding the control Freek panel, and that the temp generator stays at booster site till permanent is on line at booster. James seconds motion. All approved Letter to be sent back to Big Sky with the terms outlined

Bank Signers

Larry would like a motion to have Lynn Peterson, Wes Michaels, and Pat Uptagrafft be removed off the Mountain West Bank account and signature block and to add Kaitlyn Scarborough and James Lewis added to signature block. Motion by Joe Wachter, Don Evans second. All approved.

Cap Fees

Necia, from Welch Comer, spoke on the cap fees study and presented to us that there are 498 EDU’s currently, connected with the new source generator in place capacity will be set at 657 EDU’s. The study recommends a cap fee of 12,000 using current numbers for replacement pricing and money on hand. This rate included adding the new booster and all of the new Ridge at Hauser improvements. Necia asked if a policy change may be discussed to not include the newest improvement and given the total amount of funds on hand this cap fee number may be reduced to approx. $7000.00. Necia discussed also thinking of Mitigation fees to help build capital for future improvements as the source wells will be the now current limiting factor in additional EDU’S. Necia will update the cap fee study as board decides which direction they would like to go and with current funds on hand.

By-Laws

Due to time constraints Don asked that everyone review the by-law edits he sent emailed to everyone previously and be prepared to provide input at next month's meeting.

Ten-Year Plan

Don asks everyone to review the ten-year plan and decide what projects they should/shouldn’t begin this year. Terry read off edits and updates he made to the ten-year plan, Terry will forward copy to the board for review at next month’s meeting. Don asks if wise to buy additional meters, Terry states they have 200 meters and we do not need to purchase more. Ten-year plan to be further defined and detailed.

Office Equipment

Discussion to purchase 2, two drawing cabinets as requested by Kaitlyn along with some office supplies to file all the Water Board documents from boxes to filing cabinets. Larry states Kaitlyn can send him the links and the board okayed supplying cabinets and other needed office supplies.

Adjournment

Larry moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Joe Wachter seconded the motion and it carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Terry Leigh, Operator Larry Simms, President

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Kaitlyn Scarborough, Secretary-Treasurer