ARISTOCRAT RANCHETTE WATER PROJECT, INC.
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
February 14, 2024

The meeting was called to order 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Board members Hurshell Malone, Gus Porter, Debra Carpenter, Gabe Saucedo, Administrator/Secretary Brian Filkowski, Assistant Water Operator Andreas Adams. Guests from the community: Trudy Wise and Erika Boyer.

It was determined that there were enough board members present to have a quorum.

A motion was made by Deb Carpenter to approve the presented agenda. This motion was seconded by Gus Porter. This motion passed.

A motion was made by Gus Porter to accept the Reading and Disposal of any unapproved minutes. This motion was seconded by Leti Hurtado. This motion passed.

A motion was made by Deb Carpenter to approve the financials. This motion was seconded by Gus Porter. This motion passed. Financials were signed off on by all present BoD members.

NEW BUSINES: The USDA rate increase funding requirement was discussed. Proposed increase of base rate moving to $83.00 per month, and gallon use rate moving to .008 cents per gallon. The increase will be implemented for the August 2024 bill mailing representing July 2024 usage. The increase will be implemented immediately rather than incrementally. Base rate increase not to exceed $20.00 and water use charge increase not to exceed 2%. Other rate adjustments to be considered as the BoD deems necessary. Members to be notified on the March bill and through a posting on the web site. Research to be done regarding customers that could be having hardship.

A motion was made by Deb Carpenter to implement the rate increase. The motion was seconded by Gus Porter. This motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS: Very slight progress has been made on the Canvas Bank Account closure and USDA loan payoff. There is some light at the end of the tunnel.

ADJOURMENT: With no further business, a motion was made by Gus Porter to adjourn. This motion was seconded by Deb Carpenter. This motion passed.

SUBMITTED: Brian Filkowski   Secretary

APPROVED:

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