

ARISTOCRAT RANCHETTE WATER PROJECT, INC.
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
August 12,2020

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

PRESENT: Board members Hurshell Malone, Esta Langlais, Gus Porter, Gabriel Saucedo, Rob Kinion, Administrator/Secretary Brian Filkowski and Treasurer Dianne Gray. Members present Wayne Morrow, Anita Owens. Mike Hager from Element Engineering and two residents of the third filing were also present.

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

A motion was made by Esta Langlais to approve the presented agenda. This motion was seconded by Rob Kinion. This motion passed.

A motion was made by Gabriel Saucedo to accept the Reading and Disposal of any unapproved minutes. This motion was seconded by Rob Kinion. This motion passed.

Treasurer Dianne Gray commented on the Statement of Activity regarding the future transparency, P&L and the Budget vs Actual reports reminding the BoD the practice of 6 months review will be implemented. It was suggested that Dianne Gray be added as a check signer. A motion was made by Esta Langlais to make Dianne Gray a check signer, this motion was seconded by Hurshell Malone. This motion passed.

A motion was made by Esta Langlais to accept the financial report. This motion was seconded by Gabriel Saucedo. This motion passed.

BOARD OF DIRECTOR VACANCIES: The BoD decided not to fill vacancies of the BoD until the September meeting.

RATE INCREASE IMPLEMENTATION: This time was made available for questions from the members regarding the rate increase.

Wayne Morrow suggested a 6-month review on the rate situation. He also asked why we would raise rates (which he voted for as a BoD member) when a mansion (?) in the 3rd filing was able to connect directly to Central Weld water System. * The BoD members questioned why he would ask this question when he in fact voted for the implementation as a BoD member. No explanation was given.

Anita Owens wanted everyone to understand that the new billing was paying for other things besides just water. That infrastructure too needed to be addressed. There were no other comments from members regarding the rate change.

Mike Hager from Element Engineering gave a brief update regarding the USDA application submission informing the BoD and guests that shovels in the ground could be 2 years away. 2021 being devoted to engineering and planning. The BoD and guests were reminded that the USDA, as part of their proposal, could further cause rates to be changed.

OLD BUSINESS: The revised bylaws were reviewed, and a motion was made by Esta Langlais to vote for adoption. This motion was seconded by Gus Porter. A vote was taken, and the BoD unanimously approved and adopted the new bylaws. The new bylaws going into effect immediately.

NEW BUSINESS: System status is good. Minimal repair and maintenance taking place. The Administrator is working with Weld County Planning and Zoning to come up with a comprehensive policy regarding the pulling of permits, if needed, prior to the commencement of work. Lead & Copper results have been returned and the results distributed as required. No issues identified. Water Operator Jon Rabus continues preparation for the upcoming CDPHE Sanitary Survey. Treasurer Dianne Gray informed the BoD that a new audit format is being developed regulated by Colorado State Statutes regarding a nonprofit. The Administrator informed the BoD of work being planned for interim line installation on Casler and Lamb between Patrick and Flint. The intent being bringing up the tap count to the 445 provided for in the approved budget. The Administrator introduced the new "Transfer Spread Sheet Log" tracking payments and tap deposits with deposit slips, backed up with Certificates signed by the President and Secretary.

Two residents of the third filing were present to express their desire to obtain water taps. They explained their current financial difficulty, some COVID-19 related. There was some discussion to split the tap fee in some fashion with the option for new members to pay part of the fee down and spread the balance over time added to the monthly bill. A motion was made by Rob Kinion to look further into this proposal. The motion was seconded by Esta Langlais. This motion passed.

ACTION ITEMS CREATED:

- 1. Dianne Gray to be added as a check signer.**
- 2. Thought be given to tap payment options.**
- 3. BoD Members to sign the Oath of Office.**
- 4. September bill/August usage to reflect new rate.**
- 5. BoD member pictures taken and posted at office and on website.**

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business a motion was made by Gabriel Saucedo to adjourn. This motion was seconded by Esta Langlais. This motion passed.

SUBMITTED:

Brian Filkowski
Secretary

APPROVED:

*It was determined that NO property in 3rd filing is connected to any water utility other than ARWP.