## ARISTOCRAT RANCHETTE WATER PROJECT, INC. MEETING REGARDING USDA APLICATION MONTHLY BOARD MEETING February 10, 2021

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

**PRESENT:** Board members President Hurshell Malone, Vice President Esta Langlais, Treasurer Dianne Gray, Wayne Morrow, Gus Porter, Gabriel Saucedo, Rob Kinion (by telephone) and alternate Debra Carpenter.

Administrator/Secretary Brian Filkowski, Assistant Water Operator Andreas Adams and member Leticia Hurtado were also present.

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

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

The BoD took this time to address the disciplinary action regarding BoD member Wayne Morrow. The Administrator read into the record two letters of complaint regarding the behavior of BoD member Wayne Morrow at the January 28, 2021 meeting with accountant Cevin Hopp at his office in Longmont. After the letters of complaint were read President Hurshell Malone indicated that the letters of complaint contradicted the information regarding this meeting provided to him by Wayne Morrow. It was indicated that Wayne Morrow appeared to lie to President Hurshell Malone. The Administrator commented that this was continued behavior by Wayne Morrow, and that the ARWP office no longer took phone calls from Wayne Morrow unless they could be recorded because of this type of behavior. President Hurshell Malone, with the support of the Administrator/Secretary, announced that this was continued behavior by Wayne Morrow for which he had been previously censured by the BoD. President Hurshell Malone made a motion that due to a repeat of this behavior. Wayne Morrow be censured a second time and removed from the BoD as stipulated in the ARWP by-laws. This motion was seconded by Dianne Gray. This motion was put to a vote by the BoD and was passed unanimously. Wayne Morrow was asked to leave the building so that the meeting could continue.

Hurshell Malone made a motion that alternate Debra Carpenter be appointed to the BoD to fill out the remaining term of Wayne Morrow. He also suggested that member Leticia Hurtado be asked to serve as the BoD alternate. This motion was seconded by Esta Langlais. This motion passed with a unanimous vote. President Hurshell Malone was thanked by the Administrator and the rest of the members present for his handling of this longstanding unpleasant situation.

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

Treasurer Dianne Gray presented the revised budget and proposed a net revenue recording breakdown, as recommended by the accountant and bookkeeper, of 80/10/10. It was suggested that the ARWP Monthly Shareholder Report be returned to use, backed up by monthly reports being generated with the new QB procedures. BoD member Debra Carpenter asked why such an informative and easy to read document was ever removed from use to convey the ARWP monthly financial status. The Administrator reminded her that the "reason" had just left the building. The budget would be revisited in late March by Debra Carpenter and Treasurer Dianne Gray. Focusing on the question "what is was vs what it is now". The use of reserve money will be discussed at the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. The Administrator suggested that he prepare a budget binder with a section dedicated to line-item descriptions with comments on how decisions were arrived at. BoD member Debra Carpenter agreed that this was a forward-thinking idea.

A motion was made by Gabriel Saucedo to accept the 2021 Budget This motion was seconded by Esta Langlais. This motion passed.

**OLD BUSINESS:** The Administrator provided a list of by-law amendments required by USDA in the continuing loan application process. See attached.

A motion was made by Esta Langlais to amend the bylaws as required by USDA. This motion was seconded by Debra Carpenter. This motion passed.

**NEW BUSINESS: Administrator System Report:** The Administrator presented the Rise Enterprise Internet and Telephone proposal. Upgrading internet capabilities, going to VOIP telephone service and integrating security and pumphouse required upgrades.

A motion was made by Esta Langlais to move forward on this proposal. This motion was seconded by Dianne Gray. This motion passed.

**ADJOURMENT:** 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:**