

RAPID VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
DECEMBER 13, 2021

Chairman Andy Fitzgerald called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present at roll call were Jennifer Battles, Shirley Haines, Rick Hensley, Diana Nelson, Connie Olson, Dwight Peterson, Bob Phillips, and Carrie Wheeler. Also, in attendance were Manager Rusty Schmidt, Engineer Dustin Dale, and District Clerk Sara Bender.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made by Dwight Peterson to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Rick Hensley. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Diana Nelson to approve the minutes from the November meeting. The motion was seconded by Bob Phillips. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FINANCE REPORT: The financial reports were distributed to the Trustees for their review prior to the meeting. A motion was made by Connie Olson to approve the Finance Report. Diana Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC: Bob and Mary Anderson from 3365 Anderson Rd were in attendance.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

1. Second Reading of Water and Sewer Ordinances 14-1 and 14-2 Attachments A and B:

The second reading of the ordinance changes to 14-1 and 14-2 Attachments A and B rate changes. The proposed rate increase for water is an additional \$2 per month on the minimum charge and an increase of \$.17 for the per 1,000-gallon charge. The proposed rate increase for sewer is an additional \$5 per month on the minimum charge and an increase of \$.45 for the per 1,000-gallon charge. A motion was made by Dwight Peterson to approve the rate increases. Carrie Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2. Lot 3 of Lot B of Block 16, Trailwood Village, Pennington County, South Dakota purchase agreement for future expansion:

The purchase agreement has been reviewed by Mr. Wiczorek and any changes have been made. A motion was made by Connie Olson to approve the purchase of Lot 3 of Lot B of Block 16, Trailwood Village, Pennington County, South Dakota for future expansion in the amount of \$250,000. The Manager, Rusty Schmidt will execute the closing. Dwight Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MANGERS REPORT

3. Monthly Water Loss and Leak Detection: Water loss for November was about 24% with a 5.7-million-gallon loss. The dry weather is causing more leaks than is typical. The most recent break in the middle of South Neel Street was a large break. After the leaks were all fixed production decreased, estimated loss for December will be back down to 10%.

PROJECTS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

4. Moonlight Apartment Complex: The sewer main for this project is complete and all testing has passed. The water main portion is planned to start sometime in March. This is the first project that utilizes the new fee schedule.

5. Crane and Carlin Water Main Installation Project: The Crane and Carlin water main installation is complete. The last pay application is in the amount of \$74,726.03 the one-year warranty period started November 17th, 2021.

6. Carlin Water Main Extension Project: Dan's Ditching and Racicky Ditching have completed this project and it went very smoothly. The installation invoice for this project was \$67,321.17.

7. Crane Water Main Extension Project: The legal documents for the access and water easement have been received and will be distributed to the homeowners for signature. The estimated start of construction for the water and sewer infrastructure is sometime in January 2022.

8. Apple Valley Water and Sewer Expansion: The county commission approved the TIF for this project on December 7th and the materials have been ordered. The estimated start time for this project is January 2022.

9. Future Use Permit for the Missouri River: The West Dakota Regional Water District is working on a plan to eventually transport raw water from the Missouri River to Western South Dakota. The Manager is recommending the District apply for a future water use permit for the Missouri River to plan for future need. The approximate cost of applying for the permit is \$5,550 and that will be good for 7 years. A motion was made by Dwight Peterson to apply for the future use permit. Carrie Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion Carried

Miscellaneous Information:

- SD Rural Water ATC is scheduled for January 11-13th 2022.
- A director is needed for the State Water Board
- Customers are now able to apply for new service online

A motion was made by Dwight Peterson at 7:42 pm and seconded by Bob Phillips to enter executive session to discuss contractual matters. Motion carried.

The Board came out of executive session at 8:20 pm

A motion was made by Connie Olson and seconded by Diana Nelson to approve the Sewer Service Agreement between the CORC and the Sanitary District. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sara Bender Office Operations