

RAPID VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
JANUARY 10, 2022

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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 Bob Phillips, and Carrie Wheeler and Dwight Peterson via phone. Also, in attendance were Manager Rusty Schmidt, Engineer Dustin Dale, and District Clerk Sara Bender.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** A motion was made by Shirley Haines to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Bob Phillips. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion was made by Connie Olson to approve the minutes from the December 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 Diana Nelson to approve the Finance Report. Carrie Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:** None

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

**1. Sewer Service Agreement with City of Rapid City:** Negotiations are complete for the sewer service agreement with the City of Rapid City and the city council approved the agreement at the January 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. We should receive the official copy of the agreement soon.

**MANGERS REPORT**

**2. Monthly Water Loss and Leak Detection:** Water loss for December was 15% with a loss of 2.8 million gallons. Water loss for 2021 was about 11% which is up from about 8% in 2020. The service team has started leak detection in the pressure zone again, where loss is about 100 gallons per house per day too high.

**PROJECTS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT**

**3. Moonlight Apartment Complex:** The water infrastructure inside the property is close to complete, the cold weather has slowed work down on this project. The contractor has the 8" water main installed and one service ran to an apartment building. The contractor still has 5 building locations left to install water services. The 12" water main on Valley Dr is still expected to be installed in March of 2022.

**4. Creekside Apartment Project:** The first phase of the Creekside apartment complex includes 177 units and a clubhouse. The contractor plans to start on the sewer infrastructure this week once the extension fees are paid.

**5. Murphy Ranch Phase 10 Project:** The plans for Murphy Ranch Phase 10 are about 95% complete at this time. Phase 10A will bring development down to Highway 44 and will include 41 residential homes. Water will be stubbed to Highway 44 which will provide future potable water to the Cottonwood Trailer Court.

**6. Crane Water Main Extension Project:** The easements for where the water main will be installed have been signed and returned from the two homeowners and filed with the county. The water main easement is located within the access easement. Racicky Ditching will be installing this sometime in March and the project is estimated to take about 2 weeks.

**7. Apple Valley Water and Sewer Expansion:** The first phase of Apple Valley includes 88 single family homes and is expected to start sometime in March 2022. This phase of water main will start at the Crane Dr and Long View Rd intersection and go to the Morris Ln and Anderson Rd intersection which is approximately 7,600 feet of water main. The connection to Green Valley Sanitary District will be a second phase once approval has been received from Watco, the owners of the abandon railroad crossing

**8. Future Use Permit for the Missouri River:** The application for the permit is ready to be submitted. The amount of the request is 10,000-acre feet, or approximately 3.2 billion gallons annually, which is the maximum that can be requested without legislative approval. The cost of the permit will be \$8,750.00.

**9. West Dakota Regional Water System Meeting:** A meeting was held recently with local entities, DANR representatives and legislators to discuss the future of water supply for Western South Dakota. The discussion was for the main systems in the area, RVSD, Box Elder and Rapid City to potentially pool their resources together to start the Missouri River project in the Black Hills. The public water entities plan to meet again in the next couple of weeks to discuss potential options.

**Miscellaneous Information:**

- SD Rural Water ATC is scheduled for January 11-13<sup>th</sup> 2022.
- The property purchase for the lot adjacent to the treatment plant is complete, closing was December 20, 2021. The final cost at closing was \$247,821.90
- A director is needed for the State Water Board, the group was in agreement to allow Bob Phillips to be the state representative.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sara Bender Office Operations