

RAPID VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
October 14, 2019

Chairman Rick Hensley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present at roll call were Clyde Elwood, Andy Fitzgerald, Shirley Haines, Dwight Peterson, Diana Nelson, Connie Olson, Rick Hensley, Bob Phillips and Jack Tomac. Also, in attendance were Rusty Schmidt, Manager; Dustin Dale, and Sara Gregory, Clerk.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made by Connie Olson to approve the agenda. Diana Nelson seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Dwight Peterson to approve the minutes from the September 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 Andy Fitzgerald to approve the Finance Report. Diana Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC: None.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

1. The rating call with S&P Global and Amko advisors took place on September 13th. We are waiting on the November 7th DENR board meeting for a recommendation to approve the parity. Interest rates are still very favorable, so the projected cost savings on interest is still significant.
2. The facilities committee met September 23rd to discuss projects for 2020. Proposed projects for the upcoming year include three projects. The Skid A retrofit to Nanostone, which carries an estimated cost of approximately \$300,000. There is a slight cost savings on the modules and the potential of an improved warranty from Nanostone for this phase of the project. Gravity sewer from Orchard Meadows, with an approximate cost for RVSD's portion of around \$150,000 which would eliminate the new proposed lift station. The city is open to this but would like to secure easements on Lamb's property in order to get a firmer construction deadline before committing. The third proposed project for 2020 is to install chopper pumps on the South Valley lift station, which is estimated to cost about \$22,000. This would eliminate the constant plug-ups from bath towels and other waste that is experienced in this area. The Diamond Ridge booster station, which was slated for a 2019 project, will be moved to 2020. All of these projects will be at 100% of projected income over expenditures for 2020. A motion was made by Jack Tomac to approve all of the proposed 2020 projects presented. Dwight Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

3. Water Loss: Line loss was at about 15% this month, which is still higher than we'd like with the pressure zone still being the problem area averaging about 100 gallons more per household than other areas. The service team has been working on a system wide flushing project that has contributed slightly to the added loss, but there are still some larger leaks that haven't been located, and because the water doesn't typically surface, it can be difficult to find. The Manager spoke to the City Water Superintendent who said they are open to collaborating and using the Utilis satellite detection again in 2020.
4. Johnson Ranch Rd. Phase 2b & 4: The bore on Saint Patrick St. for phase 2b is complete and has passed testing. Phase 4 sewer is partially done and they are planning on starting the water main tomorrow.

5. Orchard Meadows Lift Station: This project is currently on hold, with the potential of looking at gravity sewer rather than the lift station in the future.
6. Diamond Ridge Development: This project is still currently on hold. The Engineer has started working on plans for the booster station. There is a used booster station that has little or no hours on it that we might be able to acquire at a large cost savings if it is something that would meet our needs. The Engineer will provide more information as it becomes available.
7. Intake Pump/Micro Strainer Upgrade: The electrical upgrade is planned to start in the next couple of weeks. This should only take a day to complete. The pumps and motors should arrive the middle to end of November and only take a couple of days to install. The micro strainer is ordered and expected to ship December 31st.
8. Avenue A: The sewer is complete for this project. The water portion is expected to start tomorrow and is anticipated to take about two to three weeks to complete. Plans have been submitted for Chet Street, the next phase of the project.
9. Homestead Phase V: The connection at the intersection of Reservoir and Meadowridge is complete and is being tested tomorrow. Everything should be complete and fully operational by the next meeting

Miscellaneous:

- The November board meeting scheduled for Veteran's Day will move to November 18th.
- Finance committee meeting will be Wednesday, October 30 at 6pm.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Gregory