

RAPID VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
September 9, 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 Bop Phillips to approve the agenda. Dwight Peterson seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

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

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC: None.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

1. A pay request for the RVFD/Murphy water main project in the amount of \$11,224.51 was requested from Racicky Ditching. This is the only pay request for this project. A motion was made by Diana Nelson to pay the fee of \$11,224.51 for the RVFD/Murphy water main project. The motion was seconded by Clyde Elwood. Motion carried

MANAGER'S REPORT:

2. Water Loss: Line loss was up for this month at around the 5-million-gallon range, with most of it coming from the pressure zone. There is a leak found on Diamond Court that is being fixed tomorrow. The Manager has contacted Utilis about the cost of utilizing the satellite leak detections again. They were willing to give us the same introductory rate they had given in the past of \$25,000. An email was sent to the City about cost sharing on this again and the Manager thinks they are open to that but is waiting to hear back. If we moved forward with this it would likely take place in the winter of 2020. The Manager asked the trustees if they are open to this option for a future project so that it can be accounted for when preparing the budget. The trustees all agreed to allow the Manager to move forward with planning for this as a future project.
3. Johnson Ranch Rd. Phase 2b & 4: Phase 2b, which is commercial lots is complete and all tests have passed. They are still in price negotiations on the bore and trying to find a contractor and get it scheduled. The Manager received signed plans today for Phase 4, which is moving forward with 18 new residential homes as well as a loop to Garden Lane.
4. Orchard Meadows Lift Station: The Manager is waiting to hear from the City because they installed a Flow meter to see if they could get a more accurate idea of the flows going to that sewer main. The City wanted to give that a few weeks and then the Manager will meet with them to see the details of the report. Once this information is discussed we will see if gravity option is available for backup of our Pioneer lift station and eventually eliminate the Pioneer Lift station once the city trunk sewer is in operation.

5. Diamond Ridge Development: There is a walk through scheduled for this week with us, the Developer and the City for Phase 1. Site Works is still on hold trying to finish up Johnson Ranch and will move to this project when crews are available.
6. Intake Pump/Micro Strainer Upgrade: The micro strainer for skid B and the pump are on order and the project should be operational by the end of the year.
7. Avenue A: The sewer main is in but not tested yet. Plans have been submitted and are moving forward quicker than expected for the next phase which will eliminate the dead end on Degeest St.
8. Homestead Phase V: Sewer is about 70% complete at this time and the water main is complete on Homestead. The tie in for Reservoir to Meadowridge is expected to be completed by the end of next week.
9. Amko Advisors: It sounds like RD will approve the parity with some minor changes in the wording. Interest rates have improved even more recently, possibly making the delay very beneficial. The Manager has a meeting with the rating agency later this week.

Miscellaneous:

- Ryan Anderson's last day was September 6, he is moving to Michigan. We are looking for a replacement and have posted the position to Rural Water and Facebook and will be posting it to Indeed this week.
- A Facilities Committee meeting is scheduled for September 24th at 7pm.
- 2019 Leadership seminar is scheduled for November 13 and 14 at the Ramkota in Pierre. All trustees are planning to attend at this time other than Connie Olson. She will confirm her attendance soon.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Gregory