



BOARD DIRECTORS MEETING
6 PM SEPTEMBER 8, 2025
4611 TEAK DR RAPID CITY SD, 57703

Chairman Andy Fitzgerald called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present at roll call were Bob Phillips, Diana Nelson, Eric Krebs, Jennifer Battles, Connie Olson, Carrie Wheeler, Shirley Haines and Tim Roth via phone. Also in attendance was General Manager Rusty Schmidt, and Office Manager Sara Bender

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: made a motion by Bob Phillips to approve the agenda. Jennifer Battles seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Connie Olson made a motion to approve the minutes from the August meeting. Diana Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC: No one from the public was in attendance.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

1. Drinking Water Surcharge Revenue Bond 2023 24th Draw for Engineering Services: The 24th draw for Engineering Services is in the amount of \$44,097.10 which consists of \$43,642.25 for professional service, \$330.95 for transportation and \$123.90 for postage/equipment.

MANAGERS REPORT

2. Monthly Water Loss and Leak Detection: Daily production for August was about 1.1 million gallons with line loss at 3.58% for the month. Average line loss for the year is currently 6%. There were a couple main breaks last month on Sweetbriar. That area has glued fittings and once the pressure was increased the leaks surfaced.

PROJECTS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

3. Ennen Housing: Construction has started for phase 1B and 1C and plans have been approved for phase 2A which will begin in the next 30-45 days. Once this phase is complete there will be a total of 90 homes.

4. N. Valley Dr. Water Main Project: The engineering estimate for this project was about \$351,000. The estimated savings from the district purchasing our own materials is approximately \$150,000 for this segment. The materials for the project were \$99,752.29. The cost for the installation from Anco is \$97,000. We will be boring to Homestead on Wednesday. A PSA was sent out to notify folks in that area of the one lane closure.

5. Murphy Ranch 10C Project: Site Works is extending the sewer west to the maintenance lot. This phase of the project is approximately 90% complete, and services will be installed for the existing homes behind the fire department. The next phase of this development is phase 10D, followed by the Springfield Rd extension.

6. County and State ARPA 2 MG Storage Reservoir: Pay application 11 was received from Preload in the amount of \$194,090.85. There is approximately \$504,000 left on that contract. The tank was made live today and connected to the system. It took about a week to fill the tank and it did pass the fill test, and only dropped 3/8 inch in a 6 day period, however there is a bit of standing water on the outside. The contractor will potentially perform this injection process in order to seal that slight leak.

7. County and State ARPA Madison Well, Well House and Generator Project: We have not received a pay application from RCS or Hydro Resources at this time. The next phase will be installing the electrical conduit and then the floor. There was a change made to the electrical conduit from the engineer plans in order to save approximately \$16,000 by not using the rigid conduit. There is also a cost savings associated with purchasing a pit-less adapter outside of the contract. A motion was made by Connie Olson to purchase the pitless adapter directly from Hydro Resources. The motion was seconded by Carrie Wheeler. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Connie Olson to allow the manager up to \$100,000 for the purpose of looking at potential costs saving options to remain within the bid laws. Bob Phillips seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously

OTHER TOPICS

- 8. Current Water Rights:** The district has a total of 2291.4 acre feet of surface water rights that can be used during the irrigation period.. This totals 746 million gallons during the irrigation period. We also have a total of 917 acre feet of groundwater rights with the Madison Well. In light of the political confusion with the different entities it is recommended that we apply for a future use permit for future wells. A motion was made by Connie Olson to apply for a future use permit for 1,000 gpm and 917 acre feet. Carrie Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- 9. Sewer Tap Lining:** A1 Sewer has completed 3 of the sewer service repairs using epoxy T liners and the special equipment we purchased for them to use in order to complete these repairs without having to dig up the street. These repairs using standard excavation cost on average \$13000 using the T liners saves the district on an average \$9000.00 per repair for a standard 8-10 deep sewer. This technology will save thousands of dollars of future repairs. There is a repair on Pioneer that needs to be completed and the sewer is extremely deep in this area and the cost to make that repair by excavation would range from \$50,000 to \$100,000. A1 will be fixing the Pioneer sewer in the next couple months.
- 10. 2mg tank logos:** The logos on the new tank were painted by Eric Henn Murals. The current logos are on the NW and NE tank walls. The SW and SE tank walls do not have the logo so you can't see it coming from Elk Vale traveling north and for future development east. The quote for the additional 2 logos direct from Mr. Henn is \$12,500.00 per logo. A motion was made by Connie Olson to do the additional 2 logos on the SW and SE tank walls. Carrie Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried with everyone in favor except Jennifer Battles.

MISC. INFO:

- Lamb's easement filed
- Board Leadership Conference Nov 19 & 20 deadline to register in Oct
- Apple Valley asphaltting phase 2a

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm.