Rapid Valley Sanitary Dist. Water Service

BOARD DIRECTORS MEETING
6 PM SEPTEMBER 14, 2026
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 Shirley Haines, Diana Nelson, Connie Olson, Bob Phillips attended via telephone, Tim Roth, Kathy Graff and Carrie Wheeler. Jennifer Battles was absent. Also in attendance was General Manager Rusty Schmidt an Office Manager Sara Bender.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Connie Olson made a motion to approve the agenda. Carrie Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Connie Olson asked that the minutes from August reflect that the discussion regarding the nominating committee recommendation indicate that both candidates were highly qualified and to remove the name of the candidate that was not selected. A motion was made by Connie Olson to approve the minutes with the revision. Tim Roth seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC: No members of the public were in attendance.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

1. Nominating Committee Recommendation for Vacancy: Kathy Graff was appointed as the new trustee to replace Eric Krebs and there is 2 years remaining on the term. Chairman Andy Fitzgerald appointed Tim Roth to fill the vacancy on the facilities committee and to have Kathy Graff fill the vacant positions on the policy committee and the nominating committee.

2. Drinking Water Surcharge Revenue Bond 2023 36th Invoice for Engineering Services: This invoice was submitted for $24,015.34. This consists of $23,319.74 in construction services, $330.66 for transportation and $365.00 for GPS/Survey. There is $74,619.00 remaining on the contract.

MANAGERS REPORT

3. Monthly Water Loss and Leak Detection: Daily production for August averaged 1.4 million gallons per day with a peak day of 2.6 million gallons. Line loss for the month is 6.32% with the annual running average of 4.8% line loss. There was a leak fixed on Ennen this month and the production to date is 264,666,731.00

PROJECTS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

4. Apple Valley Phase 3B: The staking for phase 3B has started, the contractor has been billed for the extension fees of $56,000 and those fees will need to be paid prior to work starting later this year.

5. Ennen Housing Phase 3: Construction has not started for phase 3 yet but once construction begins, the extension fees of $47,600 will be due.

6. Murphy Ranch Phase 10 D-1: The plans for Murphy Ranch phase 10D-1 and 10D-2 had some recent changes to the storm sewer. Construction will begin the beginning of 2027.

7. Diamond Ridge Cul-de-sac: This project is complete, has passed all testing and will move to the construction phase.

8. County and State ARPA Madison Well, Well House and Generator Project: Hydro Resources submitted pay application 13 for $352132.80 and RCS submitted pay application 11 for $200,685.92. The start up and generator training for the service team was scheduled for September 14, but was pushed out to a later date. The well has been started up and the team is working to flush out any debris and ensure all the chemical process are functioning properly. There is potential that we will need a mixer, and a quote was requested. The consensus of the group was to allow the manager to order the mixer without approval up to $20,000 in order to keep operations running as there is a couple weeks or more lead time on the mixer.

9. N. Valley Dr Project Southern Phase: The contractor has been cleared to come back to work the end of September with no restrictions. If that does not happen then Anco will use their subcontractor, Black River to complete the project as it needs to be completed prior to the end of the year.

OTHER TOPICS

10. 1 mg Tank Painting: The first pay app was for $33,100.00. The robot that was stripping the paint broke down and then they brought in another bigger robot and that one also broke down. They have parts on order and should be back to work soon. The change order for the logos was for $13,600. The remaining balance on the contract is $79,800.00.

12. South Valley Lift Station Safety Lid: A new lid was installed at the South Valley Lift Station to add a safety grid when the manhole is opened. There is someone putting large towels down the sewer, so the team is also adding a basket to catch this type of discharge. Eventually this will be done at the Pioneer location as well.

13. Pioneer Trailer Court/Sewer Maintenance: The run times for the Pioneer lift station triggered an investigation in the area and the service team found that there were 2 service taps broken at the main at the Pioneer trailer park as well as 2 other service taps that were leaking allowing a lot of ground water to flow into the Pioneer lift station. The owners have fixed their

infrastructure and added some cleanouts so we can run the camera down if needed in the future.

General Information Updates from Manager and Board Members:

- 5 + 10 year plan is in your packet – facilities committee meeting 9/22 at 6pm
- Leadership Seminar November 18 and 19 in Pierre
- 100 hp motor / VFD on order
- Service team painted little booster and looking to have the service team to paint the 1.85mg tank as well.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:47 pm.