

FLATHEAD COUNTY WATER DISTRICT #101

POB 1141, Columbia Falls, MT 59912

*** Meeting Minutes – October 2nd 2018 ***

General Meeting:

I. Call to Order / Roll Call.

1. Harold Herman called the October 2nd 2018 General Meeting for FCWD #101 to order at 7:03pm.
2. Directors present: Harold Herman, President, Brian Rohletter and Naomi Einarson.
3. Also present, Shane Pierson, Certified Water Operator and Tina Bondy, Board Secretary (by telephone) and John Sagmiller, new property owner.

II. Reading and approval of the minutes from previous meeting.

Secretary reviewed the September 4th meeting Minutes with the Board. Harold made a Motion to Approve the Minutes as read. Brian seconded and all voted in favor.

III. Operator's report.

Mr. Pierson provided the Operator's Report and the latest water reading taken on 10/2.

Pump 1 used 1,529,298 gallons; Pump 2 estimate was 400,000, totaling 1,929,298 gallons used in September, which was significantly reduced from August.

Flathead Electric installed the meter, now awaiting an electrician in the next few weeks to switch over. When this happens, there may be a ½ hour that the system is offline.

There was new flashing installed on the pumphouse by Harold this month and a discussion about the heaters in the pumphouse needing to be on.

IV. Financial report.

Secretary reviewed current financials and provided reports on all including aging account report.

Harold intends to move \$5000 from the checking account to the emergency fund account this week.

- V. New business:
 - 1. Vacant Board Member Seat.
 - a. Introduction to the Board of Mr. John Sagmiller, a new property owner in the district. He is interested in joining the board.
 - b. Harold made a Motion that John Sagmiller be appointed to the vacant board seat. Naomi seconded the Motion and all voted in favor.
 - 2. Status of New Water Meter on Tank House.
 - a. As discussed during Operator's Report, Shane will get in touch with electrician to get this online.
 - 3. Status Letter of Conditions Outline.
 - a. Awaiting further word from Rural Development / Lyle Coney.
 - 4. Discussion of November Board Meeting / Election Night.
 - a. November meeting is scheduled currently for Election Night. The fire hall will not be available that week Monday (set up), Tuesday (voting) or Wednesday (take down). The following week, November 13, it is available for our use.
- VI. Old business:
 - 1. Delinquent accounts.
 - a. The account report doesn't list all customers, need to check with Eclipse and make sure the QuickBooks reports list all accounts.
 - b. There have been several customers that have stopped paying bills.
 - c. Board discussion about changing to a 14-day shut off notice.
 - 1. Harold made a Motion to reduce shut off notice time period from 30 days to 14 days.
 - 2. Brian seconded the motion and all voted in favor.
 - 2. Status of loan payments to be made; next payment due February 1, 2019.
 - 3. Status of payments owing to Streeter for tank house meter.
 - a. 3rd Quarter July/ August/September to be due upon receipt from Serena.
- VII. Other Board Business:
 - 1. Water Quality.
 - a. Discussion with Shane and Harold about whether to flush the hydrants again in October or to wait until spring. Further Board discussion about people complaining about the water, so it may be useful to go ahead and do it now.
 - 2. Filtering.

- a. All houses should be filtered, which will reduce any manganese coming into the houses from the mains. Anticipate better quality with the new system, but houses should still install filters.

VIII. Correspondence

1. Discussion of some correspondence the FCWD Board has received this month.

Mr. Martinez sent a letter complaining about the water. He was advised to hold on, that improvements are on the way.

Meeting Adjourned – 7:50 pm