

FLATHEAD COUNTY WATER DISTRICT #101

POB 1141, Columbia Falls, MT 59912

*** Meeting Minutes – January 2nd 2019 ***

General Meeting:

- I. Call to Order / Roll Call.
 - a. Harold Herman called the January 2nd 2019 General Meeting for FCWD #101 to order at 7:01pm.
 - b. Directors present: Harold Herman, President, Russ Barnett, Vice President, Brian Rohletter and John Sagmiller.
 - c. Also present: Shane Pierson, Certified Water Operator and Tina Bondy, Board Secretary (by telephone) and Matt Nerdig, Engineer.
- II. Reading and approval of the minutes from previous meeting.

Secretary reviewed the December 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 December 30, 2018.

510500 gallons used in December 2018. This was up slightly from the past month, but not by much.

Well 2 is not cycling enough to get a measurement, but it is running periodically.

No problems in December and the water test results were satisfactory.

ME Labs funds were depleted, so the next year of water testing has now been pre-paid.
- IV. Financial report.

Secretary reviewed current financials and provided reports on all including aging account report.
- V. New business:
 1. Letter to District Owners
 - a. Board discussion about what to put into a letter for the property owners to advise them about the System Improvement Project.

2. Discussion about monthly water rates, particularly for commercial businesses.
 - a. Determined that we may need to change the way the ERUs are determined.
 - b. Discussion about how rates were determined and insistence that rates be equitable and fair across the district.
3. Update on System Improvement Project
 - a. Due to the Government Shut Down, Rural Development can't process any money, though Engineering work is continuing.
 - b. Discussion about having Mr. Taber and others at the February meeting. Their properties are not within the district boundaries, but if they want to keep water service, they need to either join this District, have their own well drilled or need to provide an easement.
Discussion about having Randy Snyder, Board Attorney attend next month's meeting to help explain.
 - c. Discussion about Bonneville Power and where the service connections are located.
 - d. Russ had some questions about the whereabouts of lines in the system and further discussion about where the liability belongs for pipes on property.
- VI. Old business:
 1. Delinquent accounts.
 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.
 - i. 4th (and Final) Quarter October/November amounts
- VII. Correspondence
 - a. Discussion of any correspondence received by the FCWD Board.
- VIII. Additional items for discussion
 - a. Board discussion about presenting the Badrock Fire Department with a card and \$100 as a thank you for letting us continue to use their space each month. Harold made a Motion that the Board presents the Badrock Fire Dept. with a card and \$100. John Sagmiller seconded the motion and all voted in favor.
- IX. Adjournment at 8:43pm

-- President to announce the next General Meeting of the Board is scheduled on February 5, 2019, 7pm, at the Badrock Fire Department.

--President to say, "This completes our business for this January General Meeting. This meeting is now adjourned."