**Laclede Water District Date: July 8, 2015**

**Roll Call:**

Board Members present were: Paul Horgan, Roland Harter, Gene Courtney and Chris Giese.

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

A motion was made to approve the May minutes by Roland, 2nd by Gene. All were in favor, motion carried.

The June minutes were read out loud by Chris.

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**Old Business:**

Chris Giese reappoints - A motion was made by Gene Courtney to reappoint Chris Giese to the board, 2nd by Roland. All voted in favor, motion carried. Chris will take the oath of office at the next board meeting.

Vehicle sale – The board asked the public for bids on the Chevy s10 pickup. A bid was made for $3,890.00. A motion was made by Chris to accept the bid of $3,890.00 for the truck, 2nd by Roland Harter. All were in favor, motion passed.

Open position on the board – Flyers was created to advertise the position that is open. This will be included in the next billing as well as being posted in certain locations in around Laclede.

Meter reading – The first reading of the year was taken in June. There are some issues with the locations of some of the meters. There were some water users who had questions about their July bill and the meter reading and usage amounts. Water user Lloyd Pritchett requested forgiveness for the overage on his water usage due to an issue with a bad pipe last fall that was repaired. Paul made a motion to forgive the overage on Mr. Pritchett’s July 1st invoice, 2nd by Roland. All were in favor, motion passed. There was some discussion regarding electronically reading the meters. This is being looked into by the board.

**New Business:**

Proposed budget – Paul wanted to remind everyone that the budget process was coming up and that the board would be working on this for the budget meeting in August.

Operations report: The plant is operating as designed. Some minor parts were replaced. The booster pumps are getting old and will need to be replaced or repaired in the near future. A new pump would cost approximately $10,000 - $12,000 dollars. There was one new meter installed. A leak was discovered and repaired at the river on Ferry Road. The tanks also need to be cleaned out at a cost of about $750.00. The final item for operations that was brought up by Water Systems Management was that Laclede Water district discharges water from the plant directly into the river. This needs to be monitored and tested going forward in order to be compliant with the State and Federal regulations. The cost to include this testing would be about $250.00 per month. Gene will look into alternatives for the discharged water.

**Treasurer’s Report as of June 30, 2015**

* Reserve Account Restricted $ 21,572.14
* Mountain West Flex account $ 98,523.22
* Checking $ 47,829.11

Roland reviewed the bills to be paid. Gene made a motion to pay the bills. Motion was seconded by Chris. All in favor, motion carried.

**Water User Forum:**

There were some users in attendance that had questions regarding their July billing. The board instructed them to contact the bookkeeper at the district to help them with these types of questions.

It was noted that anyone with questions about their billing would not receive a late fee as long as they paid the base fee for each month until the issue has been resolved.

Gene made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion Seconded by Chris. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 6:50pm.