**Laclede Water District Date: April 12 2023**

**Roll Call:**

Approve Minutes

March 8, 2023

We will approve the March 8th minutes in next month’s meeting.

Changes in Agenda

Added by Vicky Johnson was the Ash Trust ERU.

Mike also added the Engineering Report.

**Old Business**:

**Lot Combination Letter of Intent** – Justin told us the attorneys are still working on this.

**Whitaker Lot Division** – Letter follow up – Justin is working on this.

**Raven Fire LLC – Bulk Water** - Discussion was held and it was decided to make a Board Policy on Bulk Water usage. Gloria will work with Mike Wade and Bob to get their recommendations and rules. Then we can vote on it next month.

**New Connection Fees** - Again this is something Justin and the attorneys have been working on. Tabled till

**Recreational and Industrial Usage Fees -** Same as above**.**

**686 Riley Creek/McCracken Connection -** Gloria has been working on this. She has contacted Steve McCracken. Because this is from 1981, the attorneys do not have it in their files. Bonner County didn’t have computerized files till 1986. We will have to go back through the files by hand. More info next month. This property is where our Booster Station is located.

**DEQ Grant follow up -** This was sent to the Board. We all decided that the document sent to the Board was just a formality. However, Justin needs to sign in and send in. Gloria will send him a reminder to do so and get the documents in the office for our files.

**Zero Meter Readings/Meters Not Read -** Gloria is still working on this. Again, this month we had a lot of meters that were not being read. Gloria met with Kendall Smith from Lynx. He is replacing the meters for us and digging them out when needed. Gloria gave him the list and he was going to go around and make sure they were working. Jackie apparently came to check these out also. Although neither of them told us which meters they checked out. Gloria asked Bob to ask them to tell us which meters they had “woke up” or replaced so we know which ones are problems.

**New Business:**

**Daniel Lawrence – Water Leak**

Mr. Lawrence told us there was a leak at the 250 house. His son lives there. He has now fixed the leak. Katy had given us his monthly history and we decided it had been leaking for a while. It was decided to give him a $350 credit on this overage bill which was half the bill.

**Daniel Lawrence – ADU (Accessory Dwelling Unit) vs Guesthouse**

Mr. Lawrence has another house that he lives in. Back when he bought this, he was told since there was a building in the back yard, he had to pay for two connections. He only has one. His wife has been paying all the bills, but she just passed away. He wanted us to stop paying for the second connection. Apparently, he has been paying for it for 20 years. We can’t make this right, but we have decided to give him a $550.00 credit on this account.

**Changes in Agenda:**

**Ash Trust ERU-** Vicky Johnson wanted to know how many ERU’s Sally Ash is asking for. She has gone to several Bonner County departments about this property. David told her that Sally had asked for 40 ERU’s and that he was pretty sure Ardurra has included that number into the design. Mike and David explained nothing is permanent right now.

**Engineering Report**

Mike discussed that he had sent an email to Brent Deyo about the PER that was sent to the Board. The costs have gone up significantly. Although they are just an estimate. We really don’t have any choice but to go on with the project. We decided we will be monitoring the costs.

**Plant Operation** – Bob told us that Kendall had been installing more meters. He is almost done. We asked to get the hand held device for reading meters put back in the office.

Travis from the Mill asked if he could get the last meter reading before the meter at the Mill was changed out. He also wants the beginning reading.

Bob gave his handout on water production. Last year it was 7,294,800. This month it was 3,833,300. Down a lot.

**Treasurer’s Report as of March 31, 2023**

* Reserve Account Restricted $ 14,010.86
* Mountain West Flex account $ 421,992.10

- Checking $ 81,972.85

**Review/Pay the bills**- Dave made a motion to pay the bills, Kimberly seconded, all in favor, motion passed.

**Water User Forum**

Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm.