# MINUTES OF THE MOAPA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HELD THURSDAY, JULY 14, 2022

PRESENT: Randy Tobler Jon Blackwell Ryan Wheeler Kelby Robison (Phone) Lindsey Dalley

Joe Davis, General Manager Lon Dalley, Assistant General Manager Kiley Bradshaw

Jeannie Poynor Susan Rose

Byron Mills, Attorney Vernon Robison Sara Leavitt Janice Rodondo Rainer Frost

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**: At 4:02 p.m., Chairman Randy Tobler called to order the regular meeting of the Moapa Valley Water District Board of Directors. The agenda items were addressed in the following order:

# 1) Public Comment (Maybe be limited to five minutes)

Sara Leavitt has some shares for sell. She has 6 common shares and 2 preferred shares for sell.

She has shares on the Stringtown Ditch. She would like \$4500 for the common shares and \$40,000 for the preferred shares. Joe told Sara that he would give her a call tomorrow.

The Directors combined Items #2 & 3 together.

# 2) Approve the Minutes of the previous meeting held on June 9, 2022 Board Meeting (For Possible Action)

3) Approve the Minutes of the previous meeting held on June 20, 2022 Board Meeting for Possible Action) (See above motion)

On motion of Ryan Wheeler and seconded by Jon Blackwell, the board voted 5/0 to approve items #2 & #3 together.

# 4) Secondary Service Connection Purchase (For Possible Action)

Mr. Rainer Frost was at the meeting to talk to the board about his property at 4275 Skyline.

Back in 2005 when we got our Water Dedication Ordinance, we couldn't sell another meter to him for his property.

Joe said that since he is planning on building another home, he would be ok with approving him to purchase another meter.

On motion of Ryan Wheeler and seconded by Jon Blackwell, the board voted 5/0 to allow a second meter at 4275 Skyline contingent on the county requirement. APN #041-23-201-001.

# 5) Water and Sewer Assistance Program Vendor Agreement (For Possible Action)

Joe talked about this last month, and we have some more information on this.

Joe took some stuff off of their website. The program only runs for a year. The program should

be up and running soon. The maximum they are able to get a year is \$1600. This is for seniors and families with kids under the age of 5.

There are some things that the people will have to do. They will need to sign up for the program.

Jeannie explained how we would handle this. This could be a good thing for those that need help. Other states are using this program. Nevada hasn't got the program going yet but it should be up and running in November.

There was quite a lot of discussion on this item.

On motion of Lindsey Dalley and seconded by Jon Blackwell the board voted 5/0 to authorize the General Manager to sign the attached Water and Sewer Assistance Program Vendor Agreement.

## 6) Rate and Tier Modification (For Discussion Only)

Staff proposes instituting a fourth tier to the rate structure to support the 2019 effort to bring the Districts rate structure in line with cost of service across all water users. The proposed fourth tier would also promote the districts ongoing conservation efforts.

Staff is proposing conducting a Business Impact Study to receive feedback from the business community of any perceived burdens or impacts the proposed fourth tier would impose. The last impact statement study required several months to complete.

This item was discussion only.

## 7) Ratify Arrow Canyon #2 Repairs (For Possible Action)

During their inspection Layne recommended brushing and bailing Arrow Canyon #2 based upon the amount of scale and buildup from the initial video survey. They also recommended replacing the column pump bowl, the column pipe and shaft as well as the motor rehab. The quote includes mobilization of crew to and from well site brush and bail, post cleaning video, purchase of new pumping system material, install, and startup of new pump, refurbished motor. All labor costs are estimated and actual time will be estimated.

The total costs for repairs was estimate at \$167,800.

Because of the long lead time for materials, staff approved the repairs and is now bringing the project to the Board for ratification.

On motion of Ryan Wheeler and seconded by Jon Blackwell, the Board voted 5/0 to ratify the payment to Layne in the amount \$167,800.00 for repairs to Arrow Canyon #2.

## 8) Managers' Reports

**Office Manager -** Jeannie had the financial dashboard, the overall budget, and the revenues in their packets. We have one more month left in this fiscal year. Jeannie thinks we've met our revenues for the year. The report goes thru May.

The auditors will be here the first week of August. Chad is planning on presenting the audit in October.

Ken has been sending stuff to the auditors.

#### Assistant GM

#### Lon had the Spring/Ground Water Production report.

In June we pumped 72,710,000 gallons out of Arrow Canyon #1. We pumped 23,612,000 gallons out of Baldwin so we pumped a total of 96,322,000 gallons out of Arrow Canyon #1 and Baldwin.

Arrow Canyon Well Level is consistent. Layne is supposed to be here next week.

Lindsey asked about the drought.

Joe said there's definitely a lot of things going on with the water. Everybody is being affected by the drought. We submit a report to the State every month and we are seeing a drop in the water table. Arrow Canyon is down probably 1%.

Our water sources are still doing good, but we have to plan for the future.

## **General Manager**

The good news is that the judge did rule against Apex. They wanted us to pay their legal bills. We won't be seeing a bill from them.

Joe submitted for appropriations from the State for the 9000' of lines that needs to be repaired up in Moapa. We were able to get money with Horsford's help. We should have some more money coming our way which is good news. We still have some more requests in the Governor's Office. We should be getting \$2.7 Million.

Joe has quite a few things to talk about that transpired today.

On motion of Ryan Wheeler and seconded by Jon Blackwell the board voted 5/0 to call a closed-door session at 5:15 PM

On motion of Jon Blackwell and seconded by Ryan Wheeler the board voted 5/0 to call an open-door session at 6:05 PM

## 9) Directors Preference

Review Monthly Expenditures Randy Tobler disclosed that he has an interest in a small business that is on the monthly expenditure list Litigation Other Related Water Rights Issues

# 10) Public Comment (Maybe be limited to five minutes)

None

# 11) Approval of the August 11, 2022

# 12) Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:06 PM.