

MINUTES
FALL RIVER VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
April 20, 2016 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Monath called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS:

Directors present: Monath, Gooch, Morton, Snyder

Directors absent: Ontano

VISITORS: 1

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for 03-16-16

Director Snyder made a motion to approve the minutes. Director Morton seconded the motion and was passed by a vote of 4 ayes. (Snyder, Monath, Gooch, Morton)

Approval of Special Meeting Minutes for 03-23-16

Director Morton made a motion to approve the minutes. Director Snyder seconded the motion and was passed by a vote of 4 ayes. (Snyder, Monath, Gooch, Morton)

COMMUNICATIONS: None

CONSENT AGENDA: None

REPORTS:

Chairman's Report:

Chairman Monath let the board know that obtaining a loan for an excavator is not going to happen. The way the law is written, the most we could borrow is \$20,000. Robert Mann is looking into finding a way for Plumas Bank to lease an excavator to the district with a buy out of \$1.00 at the end of that term. Chairman Monath believes we need to talk to Brian Dahle about looking into that law and getting it changed. He called it "ridiculous" and stated that the district couldn't buy a truck or any type of equipment for that amount of money unless we paid cash.

He talked about the possibility of obtaining a piece of equipment called a "mole", which can trench underground, pulling a pipe through at the same time without disturbing the pavement, concrete etc. This would eliminate the need of costly repairs to the streets to repair water lines. This would also enable repairs to be done in house and not contract out which is very costly.

Chairman Monath announced he will run for another term. His current term is up in the fall. He would like to follow through on some projects which he has been involved in. He also pointed out that the front door no longer sticks since he took a sander to it and fixed the problem. :)

Andrew Bentz commented on a procedure where a balloon is put through an existing pipe which and repair the pipe that way. He asked if that would be something the district would consider.

Water & Sewer:

Bill gave a brief report as Casey was out of town.

- Meters were replaced at Cedarwood Apartments
- James was currently (at the time of the meeting) repairing a waterline at the Bridge Project. He has been monitoring the water and sewer lines and noticed the waterline had been nicked.

Parks & Rec: Director Snyder

There have been meetings to work out the details for the Ducky Derby to be held in August.

Bill stated he will be signing the contract with Andrew Braugh tomorrow. He got maps back and we have to stay back 50 feet from the high water line, which would end up being our boundary line. He has had conversations with Chanz Joyce and Ann Murphy at Shasta Land Trust about that. Bill and Chanz believe it is best to move ahead with the boundaries as they have to be and then try to negotiate with PG&E for access on their land. Bill posed the question, what will the impact be on the park with that restriction. Director Snyder has studied the maps and does not believe this will be an issue as long as we don't approach them anything that is a liability to them. The board agreed it is best to move ahead with this and revisit it afterwards.

The baseball park is getting new benches thanks to Chris Cordova and Ed Segal getting donations for that. The park is also getting a new scoreboard. Director Snyder stated the Parks Committee bought the paint for the benches. Director Gooch would like establish a fund for the park by the Vets Hall for future maintenance.

Manager Report: Bill Johnson

There will be a mandatory pre-bid meeting for Phase One improvements on Tuesday April 26th, at 1 o'clock pm, at the district office. The bid opening will be May 17th.

There were only 6 residents attended the March 23rd Public Hearing for our water rate increase. There were no written complaints filed and the board adopted Resolution 2016-4, enacting the new water rate structure, with increases for three years.

Our application to the State Revolving Fund was submitted on March 28th. We are seeking funding from Proposition 1. Bill wants to thank John Wendele of CRWA, who did a lot to get this application finished. The finished application, when printed out fills two binders each two inches thick. Bill has sent Vestra what he believes to be all the documents containing the legal description of the district boundaries. He has requested a bid to obtain maps using that information.

- March operating revenue was \$35,416.68, slightly over budget. This includes a \$4,500 connection fee. The budget for the month was \$34,925.
- Operating expenses totaled \$34,474.03, approx. 3% under budget.
- The operating account has a balance of \$46,401.41.
- The savings account has a balance of \$1,344.54.
- The Capital Improvement Account has a balance of \$26,883.88
- Accounts payable total is \$11,459.08.
- Water loss for the month of March was 39%.

Municipal Advisory Committee: None**Treasurer Report:** Bill Johnson

– Financial Report

Bill stated that overall we are pretty good in our Budget vs Actual. During the next budget process, he would like to address areas that were either way over or under budget. He put the March financial graph on the overhead which showed a positive upward trend over time. There was a bill to PG&E for \$2,500, which was not included in the invoices as it came in after financials were done. This is separate from the monthly power bill. It is for PG&E to engineer the power supply where we are going to relocate a pressure regulating valve, across from the Catholic church, and add a motorized isolation valve. Bill asked that it be included when approving the bills.

- Approve Invoices
Director Snyder made a motion to approve invoices including the engineering bill from PG&E. Director Gooch seconded the motion and was passed by 4 ayes. (Snyder, Monath, Morton, Gooch)

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Possible action on well site property**
Bill spoke with Rick Maher and an agreement was made that the district will pay him \$4,000 for the land that he currently owns, for our new water tank.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Possible action in increased hours for GM**
With the mounting responsibilities, Bill would like to experiment by adding a day to his current 3 days a week. He would like these extra hours paid on an hourly basis. The district would pay him a salary for the 3 days in his contract and the pay him hourly for the extra hours worked in a week. He would like this to be on a trial basis for 6 months to see if it would work without interfering with running his business, Fall River Arts. Bill will print out a timesheet for the extra hours worked for the board to review.
Director Snyder made a motion to accept Bill's idea to increase the time spent at the district office, each week, by the hour up to 8 hours, paid at what his salaried hourly rate is and not an overtime rate. Director Gooch seconded the motion and was passed by a vote of 4 ayes. (Snyder, Monath, Morton, Gooch)

Meeting adjourned at 7:07 pm

The next board meeting is 05-11-16

Respectfully Submitted,

Bill Johnson, General Manager

Date

Jerry Monath, Chairman of the Board

Date