

# DRAFT

Big Mesa MDWCA

Minutes from February 9, 2019

Meeting called to order at 9:05AM by President Dave Artery.

BOD Members present: Dave Artery, Steve Morgan, Jeff Strom/ph, Jeff Mechenbier, Joe (Nick) Nekoranec

The members recited the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

The minutes of the January 12, 2019 meeting were read by Secretary Joe Nekoranec and approved as read with Steve Morgan making a motion and seconded by Jeff Mechenbier.

Joe Nekoranec, Secretary proceeded to inform the Board and Members present that he was resigning his position due to health issues and other practices he was not in agreement with. The Board accepted his resignation.

Jeff Strom gave the Treasurer's report. Big Mesa MDWCA has \$134,275.69 in liquid assets. At this point Big Mesa MDWCA can take on debt. The treasurer's report was accepted with a motion by Jeff Mechenbier and seconded by Steve Morgan.

Bruce Ford gave the water report. He updated water usage for the past month. Testing results are below NMED limits. Water Manager's report accepted with a motion by Steve Morgan and seconded by Jeff Mechenbier.

Dana gave the report on office proceedings. The new phone system is installed and will offer many updates, one being the ability to transfer to an on-call technician. Ordered and received uniforms for the two technicians and have ordered shirts for the transfer station and Dana. Another update is the installation and use of the time clock. Which is working very well. QuickBooks desktop and payroll have now been combined with control of these applications by Dana and Dave Artery. Motion by Steve Morgan and seconded by Jeff Mechenbier to accept the Office Manager's report.

Rail:

- Electronic mapping and water distribution is on going with progress being made when time is available. This item is closed.
- DWSRLF is proceeding well with the 3-part application thru the state funding. The funding may be denied due to our not submitting annual audits back to 2010. Steve Morgan is meeting with State Auditor Brian Colon to ask for some relief from submitting the missed audits. Rail remains open.
- Truck purchase/State Procurement has a truck purchased using the required procedures. Dave stated he thought we would get delivery by February 22<sup>nd</sup> since at this time the inverter has to be installed and the mechanics box installed. Close rail.

- Big Mesa Web page is in final stage. It should be up and running by March Meeting. Open.
- Safety/emergency plans will consist of David Romero, from Rural Water, meeting with the staff and his input so this plan is in effect. Rail open.
- PLC update, on February 22nd there will be a meeting with Ron from Tonka to lay out a scope of the work to be done. Rail open.
- USDA Application: Dana spoke with Elva from USDA RD Apply last week and she is setting me up with one of their other experts on RD apply to help me finish the application process. He should be contacting me in the next few weeks. Rail open.
- Work barge: Bruce stated Matt Tapia is working on the motor and some floatation equipment has been donated. Rail open pending installation of the motor.
- Services for the Disabled: The office informed one of the parties involved that with a handicap placard and after signing on the required form the attendant will take the trash bags from their vehicle. Closed.
- Legislature Sponsored Funding: Awaiting appropriation of \$422,000 from capital outlay fund. Open
- Anna, Mark and Kelly gave a presentation informing members present of the dangers of herbicides introduced to the community from the crop spraying, also the contamination to our lake. Closed.

New Business: none

10:53am Motion to Adjourn by Jeff Mechenbier, Second by Steve Morgan