

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF LOCKWOOD WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT**

October 9, 2019

The regular meeting of the Lockwood Water and Sewer District Board of Directors was held on October 9, 2019. President Peters called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Lockwood Water and Sewer District Office, 1644 Old Hardin Road, Billings, Montana.

Present at the meeting were Board members' Carl Peters, Carlotta Hecker, Merrill Walker and Stuart Deans. Board member Nancy Belk was absent. Also present was Manager Mike Ariztia. Assistant Manager Tony Reed was in Bozeman, MT for training update classes.

Attendance and Voting Record attached to minutes

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the September 4, 2019 Board meeting were presented for approval. One correction was noted on Page 3, under Johnson Lane Update, fourth sentence, change "Anyone wanting to connect to sewer" to "Anyone wanting to connect to **water**". . .

- I. Stuart Deans moved to approve the minutes of the September 4, 2019 Board meeting with the correction as noted. Carlotta Hecker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- * **Discussion of the possibility to offer assistance to the Worden Ballantine Water and Sewer District.**

Merrill Walker shared that when Lockwood Water District was formed, it had a similar problem with nitrates in the groundwater wells, as Worden Ballantine is having now, and that problem was part of the reason Lockwood obtained funding to upgrade its plant. He believes that it would be good will to help the neighboring Worden Ballantine District. Manager Ariztia will contact their District Board to find out what would be the best way to provide aid.

- * **Discussion to look into the possibility of acquiring additional water rights from the Lockwood Irrigation District.**

Manager Ariztia again raised the possibility of acquiring Lockwood Irrigation District water rights. Per Manager Ariztia, the Irrigation District is willing to entertain the idea, but they would like LWSD to participate in a study of the Irrigation District water rights to see what rights it has, what it is currently using, and what the forecast is as far as irrigation use in the future. Manager Ariztia will contact the Irrigation Board and request the matter be placed on the next Irrigation Board meeting agenda for formal discussion.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Current trial balance from Yellowstone County not received.

Financial reports attached to the minutes are: Check/Claim Detail for the Accounting Period September, 2019; Trial Balance with Revenue and Expenditures for the Accounting Period September, 2019; Statement of Revenue Budget vs. Actual for the Accounting Period Statement, September, 2019; Statement of Expenditures - Budget vs. Actual Report for the Accounting Period September, 2019.

APPROVAL OF BILLS DUE FOR SIGNATURE:

- II. Stuart Deans moved to approve payment of the bills submitted on the Check/Claim Detail List. Merrill Walker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

*** 2020 Water Treatment Plant Upgrade Project design update**

This is still in the beginning phases. Manager Ariztia has received five technical memos from Morrison-Maierle for review. He also met with two engineers from MMI to go through the plant and discuss plan designs. The design phase had not been completed as of yet.

*** 2019 Johnson Lane Highway 87 Water Main Project Update**

KLE Construction has started construction on the update. They cut off the flush-out assembly, tied into that, and put in a new 12" valve along with about 20 feet of pipe. The bore underneath Johnson Lane has been completed at Prairie drive. The connections were completed and the 6" stub for the bulk water station and fire hydrant assembly have been installed.

They are hoping now to get started on digging down Johnson Lane and installing pipe. They will have to tie in at Prairie Drive, tie across Johnson Lane at 87. Once they get that

finished, they're going to move up to the mobile park home on 87 and start working their way back towards Johnson Lane.

Manager Ariztia signed Change Order No. 1 for the Johnson Lane project in the amount of \$3,000, to increase the size of the water services from 3/4" to 1".

MANAGER REPORTS:

The water pumping record is as follows:

September, 2018	32,193,800
September, 2019	38,520,000

Wastewater record:

August, 2018	3,946,448
August, 2019	4,468,552

August, 2019 Exxon Wastewater	90,411,508
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The lifting coating was removed and cleaned from the top of the clear well at the plant.

ADJOURNMENT:

III. Merrill Walker moved to adjourn the meeting. Carlotta Hecker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

The next Board meeting will be held on November 13, 2019.



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