

## **Regular Meetings Minutes**

**Date:** April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
**Time:** 6:30P.M.  
**Location:** AWSO Conference Room

Meeting Type	X Regular	Special
Minutes Type	Draft	X Approved

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm.

#### **1. Roll Call**

Board Member Attendance:

Mike Reynolds	President	X Present	Absent
Roger Nummerdor	Director	X Present	Absent
Tom Osborne	Director	Present	X Absent
Alan Rohde	Vice President	X Present	Absent
Betsy Steffanich	Director	X Present	Absent

Other Attendees: Jason Wallace, Camille Weier, Guest: Ron Van Hoosear  
Ann Davy (via-Zoom)

#### **2. Approval of Agenda**

**Motion:** Roger moved to accept the agenda and Alan seconded.

**Ayes: 4**

**Nays: 0**

**Absent: 1**

**APPROVED**

### **3. Approval of Minutes – Regular**

- Mike suggested Camille change the March Minutes to reflect the three eligible members of The Board were re-elected by acclamation.

**Motion:** Betsy moved to accept the March Minutes as amended and Roger seconded.

**Ayes: 4                      Nays: 0                      Absent: 1                      APPROVED**

### **4. Financials**

**Motion:** Betsy moved to accept the Financials and Payroll reports and Roger seconded.

**Ayes: 4                      Nays: 0                      Absent: 1                      APPROVED**

### **5. Manager's Report**

- Jason presented The Board with the Manager's Report for their review (copy attached).
- All monthly water samples tested good, and the results are on file in the office.

**Motion:** Roger moved to accept the Manager's Report and Alan seconded.

**Ayes: 4                      Nays:0                      Absent: 1                      APPROVED**

## **7. Public Comment:**

- Ron Van Hoosear introduced himself to the Board and explained why he chose to run for Stillwater County Commissioner.

## **8. Old Business:**

- Mike explained why Great West Engineering wanted a contract amendment signed for the grant writing. It will cost an additional \$17,000 which will be paid out of the ARPA funds granted by the County.
- Camille asked if we should pay the \$17,000 now and get reimbursed or wait for the APRA funds to arrive first. The Board suggested we pay out of our savings.
- Some time ago Fay Espeland discovered our EIN was registered as a ditch committee and that we in fact we are an “affiliated governmental unit”. Fay suggested using an accounting firm Eide Bailly to correct this mistake and get a new EIN issued. Those documents were signed by our Board President Mike Reynolds and sent to the IRS. The invoice will appear in next month’s bills.

**Motion: Alan moved to accept the amended Great West Engineering contract to start the grant writing process for Hawkins Park and Betsy seconded.**

**Ayes: 4**

**Nays:0**

**Absent: 1**

**APPROVED**

**Executive Session held regarding pending litigation.**

**9. New Business:**

- Mike discussed the audit proposal from Tripp & Associates. The proposal includes the out-of-pocket expense of \$16,000.
- Mike will further research the audit situation with regards to the DNRC Bi-Annual requirement stated in the contract from the 2018 project.

**10. Board Comments:**

- Alan praised the Board as well as Jason and Camille for their work and positive contribution to the Absarokee Water District.

**Adjournment**

**Motion:** Roger moved, and Betsy seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

**Ayes: 4**

**Nays: 0**

**Absent: 1**

**APPROVED**

**Minutes Certification:**

Proposed minutes respectfully submitted,

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Board Secretary / Recording Secretary

Date:

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Board President

Date: