

## **Bluff Dale Water Supply**

### **Minutes 12/13/22**

Present: Dennis McNaughten, LaNell McNaughten, Lou Stone, Frank Maddy, Richard Skinner

Dennis called the meeting to order at 10:04

#### **Reports:**

The minutes of November 15, 2022 were reviewed by the board. Richard made a motion to accept the minutes. Frank seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

The minutes of November 3 were reviewed by the board. LaNell made a motion to accept the minutes. Frank seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

Financials were presented. Frank made a motion to accept the report. Richard seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Directors Report was reviewed by the board.

\*The Board would like more information from JT regarding the leak. They would like to know where the leak was. And why the alarm didn't let Frank know about a possible leak.

\*Can Deborah red tag the three Bluff Dale Properties LLC that haven't paid since September?

There was some discussion about the possibility of a property buyer being required to pay past due water bills.

LaNell made a motion to accept the report. Frank seconded the motion. It passed 5-0.

#### **Old Business:**

New well – TCEQ has approved the well. Ben Shanklin will begin seeking bids after the holidays.

Replacing pipes – rusty pipes will be replaced during Christmas holidays so as not to disrupt school.

Bid was submitted to fix the doors and gate. The estimate is \$300 for JT and \$300 for Joe for labor plus approximately \$75 for parts. Motion made by Richard to accept bid and fix rusted pipes and seconded by Frank. The motion passed 5-0.

#### **New Business:**

There was discussion regarding whether the current bill is prorated for each 1000 gallons and whether we need to adjust the pricing so that there is a charge for the first

1000 gallons. A motion was made to update the calculation to be consistent to the way the Tariff reads. We will prorate charge for the first 1000 gallons and to charge the base rate. Motion was made by Richard and Seconded by Frank. The motion passed 5-0.

There was discussion regarding the need to move our investments from Logic to JB Morgan. We are no longer eligible to use Logic. Motion was made by Frank to move the money to JB Morgan. It was seconded by Richard. The motion passed 5-0.

Updating Tariff when selling water – This was tabled until Deborah is present.

Rate Study – Mr. Ment helped us set rates to sustain our initial system. Gibbons agreed that we could continue to support our system however, Dennis recommends doing another rate study using the Texas Rual Water circuit rider to determine if we can still support our system with the new facilities in place. LaNell made a motion to schedule a new rate study. Richard seconded the motion. The motion caried 5-0.

Website – Tabled until Deborah is present.

The board discussed the budget for 2023. A motion was made to approve Estimated budget as presented by Dennis that includes a 6% increase in salary for both JT and Deborah by Frank and seconded by Richard. Motion carried 5-0.

### **Budget Workshop**

No budget workshop was held at this meeting.

Next Meeting will be held on January 17, 2023.

Motion made to adjourn by Frank and seconded by Richard. Motion carried 5-0.