

BLUE STONE DITCH ASSOCIATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING SCHEDULED/AGENDA

February 5, 2023

A Blue Stone Ditch Association Board of Directors Meeting has been scheduled by President, Marvin Fender. All Board Members have been notified via phone or text by Marvin. The meeting will take place at 5:00 p.m. at Marvin's house in De Beque.

AGENDA ITEMS

Documents provided by Rich Livingston regarding Roles of Directors and Non Profit Organizations

Web Page

Hayes Place Flume

Pipe at the Bumgardner Place

Nichols Check – wing wall and other topics that become before the Board that need discussion.

Cyndie Graham

Secretary/Treasurer

BLUE STONE DITCH ASSOCIATION

DIRECTORS MEETING

FEBRUARY 5, 2023

A meeting of the Blue Stone Ditch Association Board of Directors was scheduled by President, Marvin Fender via phone or text; agenda attached.

The meeting was called to order by President, Marvin Fender, and seconded by Guy Herwick at Marvin Fender's house at 5:00 p.m. All board members were present including Cyndie Graham.

Immediate discussion took place on who was the "Secretary/Treasurer" of the association – Kathy Haas or Cyndie Graham. Kathy claimed that she was Secretary and never has the position been separated; Cyndie thought she was continuing the position as she had done in past, Secretary/Treasurer, but not as a Director. Board was split, no resolution.

Web Page – Marvin apologized for not looking at the web page previously, and stated that the name needed corrected; link for payment taken off, and purchasing of water shares. Cyndie stated that it looked like she was using GoDaddy as the domain, and asked how it was paid for. Kathy stated she did, and was told to turn in the invoices into Cyndie for reimbursement. Web page correct name is bluestoneditchassociation.com. Cyndie will request from shareholders on the 2023 Invoice for their email addresses for Kathy to use in conjunction with the web site.

Marvin stated that grant research was approved for gathering but results need to be forwarded to him to discuss with Board Members and then if viable onto the Shareholders to decide whether to move forward or not. Not all grants are good for the ditch and the purpose of the grants should be for infrastructures, water conservation and management along with weed control

Kathy was instructed to organize the sources for the Board; pass onto them to act upon.

Sources for hydrologists need to be researched for Board to decide upon who should accompany Guy on ditch to provide recommendations/report. No instruction was given on who was to perform or contact local hydrologists.

John stated that a 8x30' 14 gauge half pipe had been ordered for the Hayes Flume. Marvin stated that Cyndie's address would be used as the shipping address as it was the closest to the area where the pipe would be installed. Shipment was estimated to be 2 to 3 weeks and Marvin would receive call with delivery date.

Spring water take out was being planned around April 10th to replace the Hayes Flume and cleaning. Estimated time water to be out of the ditch is 7 to 10 days depending on work that

needs to be done on the ditch and condition of moving equipment upon ditch bank. This would also be the time for shareholders to repair/replace head gates belonging to them. Cyndie was instructed to add language to 2023 Invoices to this nature and Kathy to post on web page.

Ditch conditions – rocks need to be added/repared at new check, wheel on double spill way needs repaired/replaced, possibly remove pipe at Bumgardner place as it does create a bottleneck in the ditch, rock at Little Horsethief (Chevron property) needs to be removed – Guy to contact Chevron or representative and pipe at Sand Wash is needing attention (replaced or just plugged). Once again it was stated that John would arrange to go with Marvin/Guy on ditch tour. Cyndie to call Casey on whether the County would be willing to give or sell some of the rock stored at the De Beque County yard.

Ditch right-of-way needs to be mowed. Marvin offered to do it with his tractor/brush hog but not doable due to workman compensation and liability. Cyndie stated that he could rent his equipment to the Association but Guy would have to operate.

Discussion took place on utilizing volunteers to help on the ditch, for example, tarring the flume pipe, weeds, etc. Kathy stated she felt that volunteer hours/money could be used in obtaining grants as part of the contribution. Cyndie stated that she would contact insurance as well as attorney for clarification on this.

Excavator – The Board decided to have Guy spend \$300 to \$400 on a battery and oil to enable the excavator to start so potential buyers could at least see that it runs (still needs major work). Potential buyers could call Guy and arrange a visual with him around March 20th. It was further decided to put a bid sheet with 2023 Invoice for bidders who wish to submit a bid. If there was a successful bidder, they would be notified early April. Kathy was also instructed to also note on web site.

Water right decrees were touched on as well as value of Blue Stone water. Cyndie reiterated that there is no value placed on the water. Water decrees apply to the whole ditch, not where landowners are located. Cyndie was asked to verify with Rich.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting; meeting was adjourned at 6:45.

Cyndie Graham