

UPPER SURFACE CREEK DOMESTIC
WATER USERS ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors Meeting

May 14, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:25 pm. Board members present were Bill Elkins, Dennis Grunkemeyer, Deb Christner, Brad Stratman, Bryan Klaseen, Bob Halley, and Ellis Fritchman was tardy. Also present was Dayton Myers, Amber McPherson, Josh Kasper, Chris and Peggy Decker, Bruce Journey, Rita Trninich, Lewis Anderson, Bruce Pendleton, and Brian McPherson. David and Betsy Koos arrived at 8:15 pm.

Minutes:

MOVED BY Bryan Klaseen to accept the April 9, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes as written and distributed to the Board Members.

SECONDED BY Dennis Grunkemeyer

MOTION CARRIED with no opposing votes.

Financial Report:

The Financial Reports were reviewed and discussed for April 2018.

MOVED BY Dennis Grunkemeyer to approve financial statements as is.

SECONDED BY Bill Elkins

MOTION CARRIED with no opposing votes.

EOM Report:

The End of Month report data was received. Gallons used for April 2018 was 7,152,262 gallons and was roughly 216,000 gallons less than April 2017. Dayton thinks there is an undetected leak because plant usage is about 20% more than metered usage.

Well Permits:

Josh Kasper, the Well Commissioner for Division Office 4 of the Colorado Division of Water Resources was invited by the Board of Directors to speak with the board about what an exempt well is. Josh explained that to obtain a permit for an exempt well an applicant must own 35 acres or more. A permit for an exempt well allows the owner to water livestock, irrigate one acre, and/or connect 3 dwellings to it. Josh also explained if someone was to subdivide the property, the well is no longer permitted. A subdivision cannot connect to the well for water. Chris and Peggy Decker, Bruce Journey, Rita Trninich, and Bruce Pendleton all presented their case for a well to the Board of Directors. After each person presented their case, they left the meeting at 8:12 pm. The Board of Directors discussed the situation and there were concerns about cross connections, State of Colorado issuing permits without approval from USCDWUA, and if someone built another house on their land and connected the well to it. It was determined to allow members on the water system to come directly to USCDWUA before applying for a permit. On a case by case basis, USCDWUA Board of Directors and Manager will review each well permit request. Contingent upon Board and Manager approval, each owner applying for a well will sign an agreement with USCDWUA; which states the well will not be used for Domestic use and will not have any cross connections with USCDWUA water system. At which time, USCDWUA will write a letter to the Division of Water Resources informing them USCDWUA has no objection to the well permit. It was also determined to submit the contract to a lawyer for review before implementing it.

David Koos Phase 2 of Pine Ridge Venture Subdivision:

David and Betsy Koos arrived at 8:15 pm They would like to amend their contract with USCDWUA for Phase 2 of Pine Ridge Venture Subdivision. David proposed to the Board that as one lot sold he would purchase the tap for the lot. The Board determined if the county did not have issues with the proposal neither did USCDWUA. After David speaks with the county he will contact Amber to revise the contract with USCDWUA. David and Betsy left at 8:30 pm

Old Business:

Employment Policy -Amber talked to the attorney today and he said he only had a few minor suggestions and the biggest one was the Military Leave policy. As soon as we get it from the attorney, Amber will email the Board.

Job Descriptions – The attorney reviewed the job descriptions and they are perfect as is.

Rent Water from Harman Lohman: Dayton spoke with Harman and he said he didn't have a set price in mind. The Board determined to go ahead and rent it now in case we need it. The Board determined to offer up to \$100 per foot for the water. He has 8 shares of Surface Creek; which is 3 feet per share.

Redland Mesa Vault – This is completed.

2550 Rd. – This project will begin later this month.

Frey Water – Amber met with Ray Frey last week and purchased the remaining share and the stock is now transferred to USCDWUA.

Setting Pump in Well – Wildcat Drilling and Pump set the pump last week and it pumped about 20 gallons a minute however the water level dropped as it was being pumped. More testing will be done as the summer goes. As a side note, the water is very hard.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 pm with no other business.

Respectfully Submitted:

Amber McPherson, Secretary-Treasurer