

## Apple Springs Water and Sanitation District

### Meeting Minutes of Feb 5, 2024

Started at 6:00 pm and ended at 8:30 at Dan Carlson's Home

Members Present: Tom Law, Dan Carlson, Michael Martin (phone)

Board Consultant Present: Roger Beck

The members met to discuss upcoming election execution and EPA Grant

#### **Mar 7 Election**

1. The board confirmed that district voters can meet the same residence requirement as per SD State statute 34A-5-21.2

#### **34A-5-21.2. Residency of district trustees.**

To serve as a trustee of a sanitary district that has one hundred or more residents, the person shall be a resident of the sanitary district.  
To serve as a trustee of a sanitary district with less than one hundred residents, a person shall be a resident of the sanitary district or a United States citizen who owns real property within the boundaries of the sanitary district.

2. With approximately 70% of 117 recipients of the 1<sup>st</sup> email to the Apple Spring owners on 1/30/24 the board confirmed using this as our communication tool to the owners. This will be considered our "electronic local newspaper" per the statute requirements. This tool of communication/announcement is much more efficient than using the local Sturgis Newspaper as an example. A second announcement of the election will be done soon after this meeting.
3. Based on items 1 & 2 above the election will be held electronically. The voting results will be sent to an impartial 3<sup>rd</sup> party and reconfirmed by the current 3 board trustees. Election period will be from Mar 1 thru Mar 7 8 pm.

#### **EPA Grant**

1. Briefly discussed LOU submitted by Mike Short.
2. With the importance of the execution of the EPA Grant application the board will ask the H2O Clear/KLJ to use Dan Carlson as the main point of contact with respect to meetings and etc. Dan will follow thru with contacting Tom Law and Michael Martin as needed.
3. Decided to retain legal counsel for the District for both short term and long-term needs. Roger volunteered to research potential candidates.

Minutes prepared by Dan