

MAYES COUNTY RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 2
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MINUTES OF REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING March 13, 2023

The regular monthly board meeting of Rural Water District #2, Mayes County, Oklahoma was held at the District Office. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Charles Coblentz at 7:31 p.m.

Quorum was established – Members present: Charles Coblentz, Ed Yoder, Travis Mahurin, John Cobb, Michael Southern, John Hardin, and Dale Yoder.

Members late: None

Members absent: Amos Allen and Johnny Diacon

Employees present: Christopher Neel, Ryann Rotert, Kathy Waggoner and Brian Kellogg.

Visitors present: None

A motion was made by John Cobb and seconded by Travis Mahurin to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2023 meeting. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Ed Yoder, Travis Mahurin, John Cobb, Michael Southern, John Hardin, and Dale Yoder. Voting no: None.

A motion was made by Travis Mahurin and seconded by Ed Yoder to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2023 Special meeting. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Ed Yoder, Travis Mahurin, John Cobb, Michael Southern, John Hardin, and Dale Yoder. Voting no: None.

A motion was made by Dale Yoder and seconded by John Hardin to approve transferring \$1,000.00 from the Revenue Fund to the Deposit Refund Account at Welch State Bank. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Ed Yoder, Travis Mahurin, John Cobb, Michael Southern, John Hardin, and Dale Yoder. Voting no: None.

A motion was made by Ed Yoder and seconded by John Cobb to let CD# 9362 at Bank of Locust Grove renew upon maturity date. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Ed Yoder, Travis Mahurin, John Cobb, Michael Southern, John Hardin, and Dale Yoder. Voting no: None.

A motion was made by John Hardin and seconded by John Cobb to approve a Cost of Living raise of 6.4% for all employees, excluding manager, to be effective on April 2023 payroll. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Ed Yoder, Travis Mahurin, John Cobb, Michael Southern, John Hardin, and Dale Yoder. Voting no: None.

A motion was made by Ed Yoder and seconded by Dale Yoder to approve February bills check numbers 20509-20545, March payroll and postage in the amount of \$119,910.80. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Ed Yoder, Travis Mahurin, John Cobb, Michael Southern, John Hardin, and Dale Yoder. Voting no: None.

A motion was made by John Hardin and seconded by Travis Mahurin to approve new BU#s 3041, 3042, 3043, 3044, 3045, and 654. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Ed Yoder, Travis Mahurin, John Cobb, Michael Southern, John Hardin, and Dale Yoder. Voting no: None.

A motion was made by Dale Yoder and seconded by John Cobb to approve the following benefit unit transfers: BU#s 2683, 25, 858, 2886, 2715, 2403, 1479, 1657, 294, 711, and 2150. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Ed Yoder, Travis Mahurin, John Cobb, Michael Southern, John Hardin, and Dale Yoder. Voting no: None.

A motion was made by John Cobb and seconded by John Hardin to approve the Multiple Points of Use application for BU# 2683 to add one additional residence. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Ed Yoder, Travis Mahurin, John Cobb, Michael Southern, John Hardin, and Dale Yoder. Voting no: None.

Brian Kellogg gave a brief Engineering Report: Working on Corp of Engineers permits and Right of Way for the Highway 412 Grand River bore. It will be approximately 800 feet. The Cantrell line extension and new tap, funded by Indian Health Services, has been on pause waiting for the System Award Management payment issue to be resolved. Board agrees to proceed with installation while processing the SAM issue. Will look at revising the Oversize Meter Policy to reflect current rates.

Manager Chris Neel gave a Manager's report: Water loss was down to 19%. System is running good, pressure is up to 40-45 psi down 588 road where there were previous low pressure complaints. Spending is up, ordering more meters and MIUs, plus parts prices are increasing. The District has 4 towers operating that need to begin getting cleaned, painted and inspected. Will work on quotes and scheduling. Parts for new taps have increased significantly in price; need to think about raising the amount for new taps. There has been at least a \$200.00 increase since pre-Covid (2019).

Under New Business: Ryann Rotert brought up problems with the District's bills being paid in a timely manner due to postal service delays. Some bills took up to 16 days to be received leading to late charges and disconnect notices being issued. Will begin utilizing online payment options for the accounts that offer online payments.

A motion was made by Ed Yoder and seconded by John Cobb to adjourn. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Ed Yoder, Travis Mahurin, John Cobb, Michael Southern, John Hardin, and Dale Yoder. Voting no: None.

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Charles Coblentz at 9:14 p.m.

Secretary Treasurer
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