

RAPID VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
SEPTEMBER 11, 2023

Chairman Andy Fitzgerald called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present at roll call were Bob Phillips, Jennifer Battles, Diana Nelson, Shirley Haines, Carrie Wheeler, and Connie Olson. Rick Hensley and Eric Krebs were absent. Also, in attendance were Manager Rusty Schmidt, Engineer Dustin Dale, and District Clerk Sara Bender.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made by Bob Phillips to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Shirley Haines. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Connie Olson to approve the minutes from the August meeting. The motion was seconded by Diana Nelson. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FINANCE REPORT: The financial reports were distributed to the Trustees for their review prior to the meeting. A motion was made by Diana Nelson to approve the Finance Report. Connie Olson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

1. Drinking Water Surcharge Revenue Bond 2023 Draw Amount: The second draw for engineering services has been submitted for payment in the amount of 4183.40. The total for engineering services to date is \$73,842.90.

2. Resolution in Support of an Application to the South Dakota Housing and Development Authority by Meadow Valley, LLC and/or its Affiliates, Agents or Assigns, for the benefit of Single-Family Housing Development: The owners for the Apply Valley Development are applying for additional funds for the project through SD Housing Development Authority and they require a resolution stating the District has adequate facilities to accommodate the proposed development. This is the area that was annexed in 2021. A motion was made by Jennifer Battles to pass the Resolution in Support of an Application to the South Dakota Housing and Development Authority by Meadow Valley, LLC and/or its Affiliates, Agents or Assigns, for the benefit of Single-Family Housing Development. Connie Olson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MANAGERS REPORT

3. Monthly Water Loss and Leak Detection: Line loss for August was about 8% and several leaks were found in August. Another leak on Eden Ln and Scott St were found with in the last week and will be repaired this week.

PROJECTS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

4. Ennen Dr Housing Project: There is a public meeting being held at the RVSD office for those affected by this project. The project originally consisted of 129 homes and the but was scaled back to 82 based on the estimated occupancy of 2.65 people per home, so as to not overwhelm the sewer infrastructure.

5. Murphy Ranch Phase 10C: Plans are approved for phase 10C, this phase will have 39 lots and will loop Springfield and Reservoir Rd. Construction is set to start in the next couple of weeks.

6. Patricia Extension Project at District Boundary Line: The engineering firm for this project, Indigo Designs is submitting plans showing water services on the south side of Patricia connecting to District services. The lots on the south side are all within District boundaries, April 17th comments were submitted to the city indicating we would share the services, water to the district and sewer to the city. We will wait to see if the plans are approved or not by the City.

OTHER TOPICS

7. Update on 2023 SD DANR Funded Projects and Environmental ARPA Funded Projects: Dakota Testing and Engineering has completed the soil boring for the tank lot, water main location and the well location and everything is good to move forward with that. The alternate location for the water main has been approved by SHPO and we can move forward with designs. Plans were submitted by AE2S for review, and we are expected to go out to bid in November.

8. Leak Detection Trailer: Most everything for the trailer has been purchased including the 7'x 14' trailer, generator, VFD, motor/pump, meter, in-line reactor and a 350-gallon tank. The cost of the project so far is approximately \$16,000 and there is an additional approximately \$800 in parts still needed. The plan is to have the trailer operational by November.

9. West Dakota Regional Water Meetings: A regional meeting was held recently, and discussions were held regarding a water main to New Underwood and across Twilight Dr to Valley Heights. One of the hurdles is adequate source water. Rusty will be attending their annual meeting on September 12 in Spearfish.

Miscellaneous Items:

- Apple Valley project is scheduled to start construction in 2024.
- The easements for the tank (Engesser) and water main (Werlinger) have been filed.
- Facilities Committee meeting is scheduled for September 19th at 6pm
- The budget committee meeting is planned for October 18th at 6 pm

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:01 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sara Bender
Office Manager