

Rapid Valley Sanitary Dist. Water Service

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
6 PM JANUARY 13, 2025
4611 TEAK DR RAPID CITY SD, 57703

Chairman Andy Fitzgerald called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present at roll call were Bob Phillips, Diana Nelson, Connie Olson, Eric Krebs, Jennifer Battles, Shirley Haines, Tim Roth, and Carrie Wheeler. Also in attendance was General Manager Rusty Schmidt, and Office Manager Sara Bender

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Eric Krebs made a motion to approve the agenda. Bob Phillips seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Shirley Haines made a motion to approve the minutes from the December meeting. Diana Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC: No one from the public was in attendance.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

1. Drinking Water Surcharge Revenue Bond 2023 17th Draw for Engineering Services: The 17th draw for engineering services is \$51031.19. This consists of \$19,195.25 for construction services, \$8043 for bidding negotiations, \$23,642.94 for consulting services and \$150 for transportation.

MANAGERS REPORT

2. Monthly Water Loss and Leak Detection: Daily production for December was 696,000 gallons and line loss for December was 18%. Line loss for 2024 was 9.45%. The service team fixed a total of 35 service line leaks in 2024.

PROJECTS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

3. Apple Valley Housing Project Update: The PRV vault was installed, and we are currently waiting to get the power to the vault and then DSI will complete the integration. Phase 1C infrastructure is installed and the plans for phases 2A and 2B have been received, with plans to start construction in the Spring.

4. Ennen Housing: Infrastructure for phase 1A is complete and they have paid all the connection fees and plan to start building homes next week. The infrastructure for phase 1B is about 75% complete and should be finished by the end of the month.

5. Quail Ridge Development: Banner Communities is the developer for this project, and they have applied for a TIF for the offsite infrastructure. The first phase of the project consists of 144 units. Phase 1 will have \$290,798.21 in extension and connection fees.

6. County and State ARPA 2 MG Storage Reservoir: There are no other pay applications for preload as they have demobilized and plan to be back in April 2025. The remaining balance on the contract is \$956,186.00.

7. County and State ARPA Madison Well Project: Hydro Resources did not submit an 8th pay application for December. They have finished filling the annulus space with concrete and are working to drill out the cement. The squeeze jobs used 3020 cubic feet of concrete and Hydro Resources has submitted a change order totaling \$805,883.37 this also includes time and material for the lost circulation zone.

8. County and State ARPA 12 Watermain to Box Elder: DSI and Muellenberg Electric have been working on the SCADA programming for the meter/ PRV pit. Once this is complete the service team will flush the line and test everything.

9. County and State ARPA Well House and Generator Project: RCS is reviewing the requested descopeing to try to keep the project at 2 million or less. RCS is planning to begin work in the summer of 2025. The deadline to have that portion of the project completed is October of 2026.

OTHER TOPICS

10. Rapid City Public Works Updated Water Reclamation Agreement: The city has been reviewing comments and making minor revisions to the agreement. They were unable to have it complete for this meeting. Once they approve the changes we will need to approve the agreement and then it will need to be approved by the City Council. Connie Olson made a motion to allow the manager to finalize negotiations with the city in order to expedite the completion of the contract. Carrie Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Water Rights Investigation: The water rights transfer for the Southside and Little Giant ditch rights is on the state docket for next week, then we will need to advertise, and then wait for the approval of the state water board for the transfer to be complete. Mr. Simunek reached out again with a new offer to purchase his Murphy Ditch Rights. He has asked for \$1788 per acre foot. A motion was made by Connie Olson to purchase Mr. Simunek's Murphy Ditch water rights for \$1788 per acre foot. Shirley Haines seconded the motion. Motion carried.

12. Intake Property: A preliminary plat was submitted to the county and the city for review, and it will be on the county commissioner's agenda for February 4th. A variance will be needed for the setbacks between the existing buildings. Another variance will be needed for the road improvements. Work is also being done to secure an access easement for the property on the south side of the creek.

MISC. INFO:

- SD Rural Water ATC Jan 14-16 SD Rural Water Delegates Bob Phillips, Connie Olson, Carrie Wheeler

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:11pm.