

**REMINGTON WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
September 21, 2022 6:30 PM at Athol City Hall**

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Chairman Shawn Mosqueda opened the meeting at City Hall at 6:30 pm. A roll call confirmed Charlie Richmond, Bill Hennig and Robin Pugh were also present. Staff present were John Austin, Manager, Bob Kuchenski, Water Operator and Ashley Williams, Consulting Engineer. Guest was Eric Parent. Mr. Parent joined the meeting as a Board member at 6:45 pm, following his appointment by the Board (see below).

**OLD BUSINESS**

Next, the Board approved the minutes of the August 17, 2022 meeting, following a motion by Mr. Richmond and second by Mr. Pugh.

Next, Mr. Kuchenski presented the Water Operator Report, beginning with the water production and consumption update for the last five years. He discussed other maintenance issues including the generator repair. The Report was approved following a motion by Mr. Hennig and second by Mr. Pugh.

Next, Mr. Austin presented the financial report, invoice approval list and delinquent list for the first nine months of the fiscal year. The Board approved the report, invoice and delinquent lists, following a motion by Mr. Richmond and second by Mr. Pugh.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Next, the Board considered the vacant Board position with the passing of Jess Mosqueda. Mr. Hennig made a motion to appoint Mr. Parent to the Board. Mr. Pugh seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Next, Mr. Austin discussed the crossflow program and the delinquent reports of compliance. He said there were still some accounts that were non-compliant and staff would be working with them.

Next, the Board discussed the surplus property (propane tank) and opened the only bid received. Mr. Hennig made a motion, seconded by Mr. Parent to approve the sale of the propane tank to Charlie Richmond. Mr. Richmond abstained from the vote.

Next, Ms. Williams discussed ongoing projects. In the Project Status Report, she stated the progress on the construction projects.

Next, Ms. Williams discussed the bids for the Transmission Project and discussion ensued over the 8" (\$150,000) versus 12" (\$200,000) line. Mr. Richmond made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pugh to approve the 12" line to Stewart Contracting for base bid plus add alternative #2, contingent upon DEQ approval. Ms. Williams said the District could use the excess ARPA funds (\$1,000,000) to cover the overage.

Next, Ms. Williams presented Pay Request No. 7– TML Construction, for their work in the month of August, which was approved following a motion by Mr. Pugh and second by Mr. Hennig.

Next, Ms. Williams presented the IDEQ Reimbursement Request No. 10, which was approved following a motion by Mr. Pugh and second by Mr. Richmond..

Next, Ms. Williams presented the \$1,000,000 ARPA Funding Agreement, for the overage costs of projects. The agreement, after review and approval by DEQ, was approved following a motion by Mr. Hennig and second by Mr. Richmond.

Next, Ms. Williams discussed the Assistance Program Amendment No. 1 to Task Order 20-04 (Transmission Construction Phase Services). It was approved following a motion by Mr. Pugh and second by Mr. Parent.

Mr. Austin then discussed Idaho Department of Health and Welfare Low Income Home Water Assistance Program. He noted there's no cost to the District and is a big asset to those struggling to pay their utility bills during the COVID times. The Board approved the program.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:36 pm following a motion by Mr. Pugh and second by Mr. Hennig.