

Deer Mountain Sanitary District Meeting

201 W. Main Street Suite 301 & via Zoom

March 21, 2025

President Oz Enderby called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Trustees Enderby, Dan O'Connor, John Bailey & Marty Fabens were present at the district office along with water operator Steve Ryan. Trustee Joe Kosel, attorney Talbot Wieczorek, & Shari Kosel appeared via Zoom.

Approval of Business Agenda. Motion by O'Connor second by Fabens to approve the agenda. All approved.

Motion by Bailey, second by Fabens to approve the February 21, 2025 meeting minutes. All approved.

Approve Treasures Report. Enderby updated with a balance of \$155,141.07. Motion by Fabens, second by Bailey to approve the Treasurer's Report. All approved.

DANR Loan Application Update/BHCLG. Enderby has been working with BH Council of Local Governments on the preliminary application, which will be finalized next week and will go to DANR. It will be approved in June, with approximate payment in August. The base fee is comparable with others in the area.

Discussion and Approval of Curb Stop Installation/Replacement Fee. Enderby drafted a letter to district members regarding curb stops that have not been replaced yet. Enderby noted that the contractor is charging us \$1,900. Enderby suggested the district charge the property owners \$950. We will share the cost of getting the proper curb stop in place. Our ordinance states that the curb stop is the responsibility of the property owner. Enderby opened it up for discussion amongst the trustees. Bailey suggested that he would agree to pay half since his property is one where the curb stop needs to be located. Kosel noted we want to make sure it's as equitable as we can make it and thinks this is a reasonable split. Wieczorek commented it's a good option to let them pay over time. The curb stop is the landowner's responsibility, but the district has the right to access it. Motion by Fabens, second by O'Connor to charge property owners half of the cost to locate/replace/relocate the curb stop at \$950. All approved.

Update on Automatic System Operation/Baffle Design/AE2S/Steve. Enderby noted we have received AE2S's proposed baffle design and Ryan's with an estimate of cost from AE2S. Enderby reminded the trustees that we are not getting the flow into the wet well that we need to run water automatically into the system. Enderby has met with LD Sanitary and explained the problem, but their position is that it is our problem since there is water in the pipe. We will put together a design and bid package for public bids by April.

DANR revision to Change Order #5/Ineligible expense. Enderby stated that we received a letter from DANR that we have two items that are ineligible for payment through the SRF loan. Wieczorek added that if DANR is requesting we amend, we follow what they are asking. He added there should be contract language stating whether it's our loss or Mainline's loss.

Aberle/Morris Update/Adjourn to Executive Session if needed. Enderby informed the trustees that the court ruled that Aberle does not have to install a meter at this time until a final determination is made by the court. Kosel reminded everyone that this is a temporary situation and it will eventually be resolved by the court.

Items from the public. None.

Items from the Trustees. Enderby updated us; we received our annual certificate of achievement for the quality of our water. There is some settling of the ground by the Engelwood pumphouse that pulled the conduit loose from the building. AE2S and Mainline are aware.

Motion by O'Connor to adjourn, second by Fabens. All approved at 5:38 p.m.

Next Regular Meeting: April 11, 2025.

ADJOURN

Approved April 11, 2025

Shari Kosel

Secretary/Clerk/Notary