

DeWeese-Dye Ditch & Reservoir Company
Board Meeting
PO Box 759
Cañon City, CO 81215

July 1, 2019

President Arlin Bolkema called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Dick Poyner
Kenn Estes
Francis Ackley

Board Members Absent:

Marc Thompson

Others Present:

Kevin Bourgeois, Ditch Superintendent
Chris Bachoroski, Ditch Superintendent
Annette Ortega, Secretary/Treasurer
10 Shareholders

Minutes:

The minutes from the June 3, 2019 meeting were e-mailed prior to the meeting. All Board Members indicated they had read the minutes. Board Member Ackley moved to accept the minutes, and Vice President Poyner seconded, all voted in favor.

Financial Report:

The list of June bills was provided and President Bolkema went over the expenses. There were no questions or comments. Vice President Poyner moved to pay the bills, Board Member Ackley seconded, and all voted in favor of the motion.

Balance Sheet and Income Summary:

The financial reports were provided to the Board to review prior to the meeting, and anyone with questions were directed to speak with Secretary/Treasurer Ortega. Board Member Ackley appreciated the review ahead of time.

Old Business:

- a) **Reservoir Extension Update and Needs Assessment Report:** Vice President Poyner, Board Member Ackley, and Board Member Estes attended the Needs Assessment meeting held on June 17, 2019; and gave an overview of the meeting. The panel approved the Needs Assessment and the grant will move forward. The next meeting will be the Roundtable meeting, held in Pueblo on July 10, 2019. Chelsey Nutter and Terry Scanga will be representing the Ditch at the meeting.

Shareholder Bosco asked for clarification on the grant and President Bolkema, Vice President Poyner, and Board Member Estes explained the process and what the intent was, as well as cost share with other entities.

New Business:

- a) **Secretary/Treasurer Business Items:** Secretary/Treasurer Ortega discussed business items and issues, and provided an update on receivables and the forfeit lists. Also provided was a payment plan for property with forfeit shares located at 1540 Lombard. Board Member Estes moved to accept the payment plan, and Vice President Poyner seconded, all in favor.
Also discussed were irrigation issues with property located at 1523 Locust and if the issues were Ditch responsibility or property owner responsibility, to which it was determined to be property owner responsibility.
- b) **Upper Arkansas Telemetry and Gauging System:**
There is nothing new to report at this time.

- c) **Major Repair Priorities:**
- a. Superintendent Bourgeois said that he needs the use of the trackhoe, but it needs to be repaired. The water is high and the bridges still need to be built. The excess water needs to be dealt with, but need better access, too. It is difficult to maintain a consistent water level right now.
- d) **Ditch Superintendent Update:** Superintendent Bourgeois stated he and Superintendent Bachoroski have been working on a foot trail at the sand trap for easier access. Sand traps are being flushed twice a week at least, and after storms. A list of needed repairs and projects that was requested at the last meeting was not provided. Superintendent Bourgeois stated the discharge valves on the reservoirs need to be rebuilt.
- e) **Shareholder Questions:** The floor was opened to shareholders questions and/or comments.
- Shareholder Neysa Westback:** Shareholder Westback prepared more documentation for the Board to review and explained in more detail what was happening with her water. President Bolkema reminded Shareholder Westback that nothing could be done until after irrigation season is over, and the Ditch would address the issues at that time. Also requested was clarification on the P&L, to which Secretary/Treasurer Ortega will meet to discuss in the near future.
- Shareholder Johnston:** Shareholder Johnston is having issues with her water delivery. She is on both divisions 1 and 2 and states the water is running all the time. Vice President Poyner instructed the Superintendents to check on it. The Superintendent contact information will be given to Shareholder Johnston's irrigation laborer.
- Shareholder Bosco:** Asked for clarification on 2nd Ditch Superintendent and the maintenance on the system. The Board explained what is expected, and what the Ditch is trying to accomplish with the needed repairs, as well as the history of the salary and working schedule of the Superintendent.
- All Shareholders:** Discussion ensued with regard to the water delivery and what is happening with their water. Shareholders stated they would be willing to help with getting the water delivery repairs done. The Ditch and Shareholders will make an effort to work together to get issues resolved.
- Shareholder Hill:** Discussed issues with regard to the drainage next to his property, and states no one is taking responsibility for it. Vice President Poyner explained that the ditch does not run in or along the drainage, so the Ditch is not responsible for it. President Bolkema will meet with Shareholder Hall to discuss further.
- Other Business:**
The floor was opened to other business. No other business was brought to the Board.

Adjournment: With no other business to consider, the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m., via a motion by Vice President Poyner, seconded by Board Member Estes, and a unanimous vote in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Annette Ortega
Secretary/Treasurer