

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

May 4, 2020

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

**Board Members Present:**

Kenn Estes  
Fran Ackley

**Board Members Absent:**

Dick Poyner  
Marc Thompson

**Others Present:**

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

**Absent:**

**Minutes:**

The minutes from the April 6, 2020 meeting were e-mailed prior to the meeting. All Board Members indicated they had read the minutes. Board Director Estes moved to accept the minutes, and Board Director Ackley seconded, all voted in favor.

**Financial Report:**

**a) Presentation of the bills:**

The list of April bills was provided to the Board for review. Board Director Ackley moved to pay the bills, Board Director Estes seconded, and all voted in favor of the motion.

**b) 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.

**Old Business:**

- a) Reservoir Extension Update:** Secretary/Treasurer spoke with Gracy Goodwin with Upper Ark on the status of the feasibility study grant. Gracy stated GEI is reaching out to the environmental team to see if they can schedule the site environmental survey either the last week of May, or the first week of June. She will let us know once the dates have been confirmed.
- b) Gauging station/telemetry system:** President Bolkema spoke with Terry Scanga of Upper Ark, and the project is on hold until the Board can meet with Upper Ark to discuss options.

**New Business:**

- a) Secretary/Treasurer Business Items:** Secretary/Treasurer Ortega discussed business items and issues, and provided an update on receivables. There were no changes to the forfeit lists. A notice was received from the Rec District with regard to a trail system in the water delivery area. The Board discussed issues and concerns and would like to see a retaining wall along the system to mitigate any debris and damage to our system. Board Director Estes also expressed the desire for a walk-thru prior to the Rec District going forward with their plans. Secretary/Treasurer Ortega will respond to the Rec District with the Board's concerns, and provide contact information for the walk-thru.
- b) Irrigation Frequency Discussion:**  
Discussion ensued with regard to what the irrigation frequency should be this season. The snow pack is very low, and we are not receiving moisture. Under the current conditions, if we irrigated two days a week per division, we would run out of water at the end of June, very beginning of July. If irrigation were to be one day a week per

division, we could extend the season to August. The Board decided to extend the season as long as possible by beginning irrigation one day per week per division; beginning Monday, May 4, 2020. Secretary/Treasurer Ortega will notify Shareholders via email and post to the website.

c) **Major Ditch Repairs:**

The gate in the area of Birch and Pine is down now, and has mitigated water seepage. The gate will need to be dug up and repaired at some point, as it still needs work.

d) **Ditch Superintendent Update:** Superintendents Bourgeois and Bachoroski provided an update. Various small projects and issues/repairs have been addressed, and work has been done with regard to flushing and getting the system working properly. Issues and repairs will be addressed as the season progresses, and as they come up.

**Shareholder questions:** The floor was opened to shareholders questions and/or comments. As this is a closed meeting due to the current circumstances, no Shareholders were present.

**Other Business:**

The floor was opened to other business. Discussion ensued with regard to some of the complaints that have come up between Shareholders. Shareholders are reminded that laterals and ditches are their responsibility to make sure they are allowing for good water flow. Shareholders are encouraged to work with one another in getting their laterals free of debris and in cooperating with each other to make the season better for everyone. Please visit our website at [www.deweeseeditch.com](http://www.deweeseeditch.com) and familiarize yourselves with our governing ByLaws.

**Adjournment:** With no other business to consider, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m., via a motion by Board Director Estes, seconded by Board Director Ackley, and a unanimous vote in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Annette Ortega  
Secretary/Treasurer