

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

June 4, 2018

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

Board Members Present:

Dick Poyner
Kenn Estes
Francis Ackley
Marc Thompson

Board Members Absent:

Others Present:

Kevin Bourgeois, Ditch Superintendent
Annette Ortega, Secretary/Treasurer
3 Shareholders

Minutes:

The minutes from the May 7, 2018 meeting were e-mailed prior to the meeting. All indicated that they had read the minutes. Dick Poyner moved to accept the minutes, and Marc Thompson seconded, all voted in favor.

Financial Report:

The list of May bills was provided and discussed. Dick Poyner moved to pay the bills. Francis Ackley seconded, and all voted in favor of the motion.

Balance Sheet and Income Summary:

The financial reports were given to the Board, and anyone with questions were directed to speak with Annette.

Old Business:

- a) **Reservoir 2/BLM update:** Nothing new to report at this time. Dick explained the history of the lake, and Annette was instructed to contact a title company to find out what it would cost to do a title search on the property the Ditch would like to quit claim. Might cost-share with Eric Moore.

New Business:

- a) **Follow up to Chelsey Nutter Upper Ark Water presentation:** Discussion ensued with the options and interested parties about the feasibility study. Dick motioned to approve proceeding with the request through Upper Ark. Kenn seconded with the stipulation that we do the study if it does not cost the Ditch. All voted in favor of the motion. Annette will draft a letter and contact Chelsey Nutter to proceed.
- b) **Dam Water Level:** Discussion ensued on conditions and water levels in previous years compared to this year. Dick stated there are only between 8 and 10 weeks left of single-day irrigation, and that the dam is down to 6', much lower than it usually is. Annette was instructed to post the information on the website. Kenn asked about whether or not we should have a plan in place in determining when water would flow. Discussion ensued and it was suggested that both Kenn and Marc draft a plan for this purpose. A motion by Kenn to draft a plan was made, seconded by Dick, and all in favor.
- c) **Secretary/Treasurer Business Items:** Annette Ortega provided the Board with an updated list of collections, the status of assessments past due, and which properties would need to have access sealed due to non-payment. A lease agreement between the Town of Brookside and DeWeese Dye Ditch for the 2018 meeting room space was presented and discussed. Board members approved the agreement and Arlin Bolkema signed. Annette will send payment and signed lease to the Town of Brookside for their signatures.
- d) **Major Repair Priorities:** We are awaiting a quote on the repair of the dam. Dick contacted Inland Marine on cost to seal the cracks. Inland Marine was the company who did prior work on the dam. Jerry Livengood will collect information on the amount of cracks and lineal feet, and Dick will provide that information to Inland Marine for

their quote. Marc Thompson inquired about if there are limits on repair expenses, and Dick said there are no limits, but Board approval is required.

- e) **Ditch Superintendent Update:** Kevin Bourgeois reported minor repair work is being done, such as gate repair and box repair. He is still learning the position and is learning quickly! Kevin stated he has discussed upgrading the cell phones with Arlin previously, as they are outdated and impede productivity. Annette was asked to price cell phone plans and email the Board with pricing, and a decision will be made at that time.
- f) **Shareholder Questions:** The floor was opened to shareholders questions and/or comments.
 - a. Gary Ransom: He is unable to get water due to the grade of the pipe and other shareholders using water. The pipe has also been damaged by horses, and he was told years ago that if he purchased the pipe, the Ditch would put it in. This had been done years ago, but he is still not receiving water. Arlin and Kevin will get with Gary to look at the situation. The Ditch is not responsible for laterals according to our ByLaws, but we will take a look.
 - b. Andrew Martin: His neighbor is flooding his property causing some very expensive damage to his home. He had to send in a claim to his insurance. The neighbor is unwilling to negotiate or work with him to resolve the situation. Water in this area is abundant and there is currently not a way to redirect the water from flooding his home. Board members discussed the issue with Andrew, and let him know that property owners are responsible for their laterals, and the Ditch cannot step in. This is an issue between neighbors and may involve seeking legal council.
- g) **Other Business:**

The floor was opened to other business with nothing brought forward to discuss. With no other business to consider, the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m., via a motion by Fran Ackley, seconded by Marc Thompson, and a unanimous vote in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Annette Ortega
Secretary/Treasurer