



DeWeese-Dye Ditch & Reservoir Company
Board Meeting
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SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

October 20, 2025

Board Members Present:

Kenn Estes
Arlin Bolkema
Bill Brogoitti
Marc Thompson

Board Members Absent:

Leo French

Others Present:

Annette Reed-Pugh, Secretary/Treasurer

President Bolkema called the Special Meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss and make a motion for initial options to invest the funding from UAWCD.

- UAWCD delivered monies in the amount of \$1,425,000.00 to the Board of Directors of the DeWeese Dye Ditch & Reservoir Company, for the purchase of 150af storage space. Greg Felt of UAWCD delivered the check in person on October 15, 2025.

This marks a momentous day for both DeWeese Dye Ditch & Reservoir Company and for Upper Arkansas Water Conservancy District, as it has began a successful first step toward a life-long partnership and common goal of protecting, conserving, and making the most of our precious water resource in the present, and for generations to come! This event has been met with a huge amount of challenges, years of review, in-depth studies, consideration of many ecological and environmental impacts, scrutiny from Shareholders, the Board, Division of Water Resources, and water attorneys on both sides of the spectrum. The Board of Directors has put countless hours in researching, contemplating, and working very long days in determining the impacts to our Shareholders, water resource, and our aging delivery infrastructure system. The partnership with Upper Ark comes at a critical time for our Company, as there have been and continue to be very costly repairs due to the sheer age of our system. These critical repairs are needed to ensure water delivery to our Shareholders. Without the funding, the repairs would not be completed and would threaten our ability to deliver water to our Shareholders. We have held many meetings and have communicated to our Shareholders over several years of the repairs needed, the damage to the system, the costs, repair options, and the partnership with Upper Ark.

As stated in previous minutes, Attorneys Shohet (representing DeWeese Dye Ditch) and Kendall Burgemeister (representing UAWCD) have reviewed the agreement for the purchase of the storage space thoroughly, to reach what is mutually beneficial for DeWeese Dye Ditch and UAWCD. In-depth, thoughtful, and thorough review by both Attorneys, as well as DeWeese's Board of Directors and UAWCD Board of Directors has occurred over the last several months in determining legalities, responsibilities, current water operations, agreements currently in place, and mutual benefit of all parties.

After discussion ensued on what investment options may be available, discussion ensued about placing all of the funds into a money market account until the Board is able to research more options and interview investment firms. Having the monies transferred to a money market would allow the ability to earn interest at a higher rate while the time is taken to decide which investments will be best. President Bolkema called for a motion to place the \$1,425,000.00 into a money market account at our bank, and move funds out once investments options are decided upon. \$250,000.00 will be left in the account for operational purposes. Director Thompson motioned to approve all funds into the money market, Director

Brogioitti seconded, and all voted aye. Secretary/Treasurer Reed-Pugh will begin the process to open a money market account.

Other business:

Discussion ensued on projects needing completed, costs of the projects, types of telemetry systems, scata and radar options, contractors needed to complete the major projects, current water operations and challenges, project priorities, and what the next steps will be. We will need to have operational funds to complete initial projects right away. President Bolkema has spoken to some contractors and is waiting to hear back from RJH for the outlet pipe repair at the dam, and 5-Star about the scata system.

Director Brogoitti will speak with his investment firm on what would be a good time for the Board to meet. President Bolkema will speak with his investment firm, as well. Future meetings will be set up for interview of investment firms.

President Bolkema spoke about meeting with Lauren Duncan with the Division of Water Resources to discuss possible grant funding. Secretary/Treasurer Reed-Pugh will set up a time to do a zoom meeting to discuss grants, and will reach out to the NRCS for the possibility of more grant funding.

Adjournment: With no other business to consider, President Bolkema called for a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 pm via motion by Director Thompson and seconded by Vice President Estes.

Respectfully submitted,

Annette Reed-Pugh
Secretary/Treasurer