



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

September 6, 2021

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

Board Members Present:

Arlin Bolkema
Kenn Estes
Leo French
Marc Thompson

Board Members Absent:

Others Present:

Drake Strong, Ditch Superintendent
Bill Brogoitti, Ditch Superintendent
Annette Ortega, Secretary/Treasurer
5 Shareholders

Absent:

Minutes:

The minutes from the August 2, 2021 meeting were e-mailed prior to the meeting. All Board Directors indicated they had read the minutes. Director Estes moved to accept the minutes, and Director Thompson seconded, all voted in favor.

Financial Report:

a) Presentation of the bills:

The list of August bills was provided to the Board for review. Director French moved to pay the bills, 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. Discussion ensued on budget items.

Old Business:

a) Reservoir Extension Update:

The existing conditions drawings are still in progress, no other information at this time.

b) Gauging station/telemetry system: Gracy Goodwin of Upper Ark would like to meet about the cost estimates. Secretary/Treasurer Ortega will coordinate a date that works for everyone.

New Business:

a) Secretary/Treasurer Business Items: Secretary/Treasurer Ortega discussed business items and issues, and provided an update on receivables. Applications through Planning & Zoning were discussed, as well as Shareholder calls/issues throughout the month.

b) Major Ditch Repairs:

Issues and repairs were discussed. Will address and repair during off-season.

- c) **Ditch Superintendent Update:** Superintendents Strong and Brogoitti provided an update. Superintendent Strong has been doing a lot of locates. A list of repairs is being compiled for completion in the off-season. Shareholder issues were discussed that had come up during the month. Simple repairs are being completed as they occur. Possible blockage was discovered behind the Mercantile and Capitol Hill. Water samples have been regularly taken in response to the algae issue at DeWeese, all have come back non-detectable. Water loss off of Cedar will be reviewed for repair. There have been some flooding issues, as the Little Reservoir water level is not lowering. Superintendents Strong and Brogoitti are mitigating and monitoring as best they can.
- d) **Water Shut Off Date:** Dates and water levels were discussed among the Board. Given the current conditions and temperatures, it was decided to shut water down on Saturday, September 18, 2021 to end the irrigation season; barring any unforeseen issues.
- e) **Shareholder questions:** The floor was opened to shareholders questions and/or comments.
Shareholder Ashlock: Inquired about a rumor that the Ditch was selling water shares, to which the Board assured him that the Ditch has not, and will not in the future, sell our water!
Shareholder Lautaret: Informed the Board of a Cottonwood tree that may need to be removed, as it is causing issues. The Superintendents will look into the situation.
Shareholder Bosco: Thanked the Supers for all of their work in helping with the water issues. Also wanted to discuss the assessments and what could be done in generating more money for repairs/pipe. Discussion ensued with possible options, and pipe assessments.
Shareholder Bailey: Stated she is still not receiving water, and that the previous owner will not return her calls. She cannot locate where the water should be, and Superintendent Strong was unsuccessful in trying to locate the water. Will need to look further into the issues to locate the water, is a Shareholder responsibility.
- f) **Other Business:**
The floor was opened to other business, and no other business was brought before the Board

Adjournment: With no other business to consider, the meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m., via a motion by Director Thompson, seconded by Director French, and a unanimous vote in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Annette Ortega
Secretary/Treasurer