

Rural Water District No. 7, Johnson County, Kansas

Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
May 12, 2020

Directors present via Zoom: Frank Denning, Chuck Finley, Ken Nellor, Bill Locke, Ken McCarty, Steve Hines, Charlie Brovont, Shaun Henderson, and Brian Andrew. Others present; Allan Soetaert, Donna Chrisjohn, Jamie Jamison, Chester Bender, Philip Ciesielski, and Beth Warren. Director(s) absent: None.

Chairman Denning, noting a quorum, called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Chairman Denning requested that the Board of Directors consider the Consent Agenda items. Director Hines moved to approve the consent items noted on Agenda. Director McCarty seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Agenda item #2 was the Debt Capacity Report. Beth Warren, with Ranson Financial Group, discussed their findings with the Debt Capacity Report that was performed for the District. Ms. Warren reviewed projected revenues and expenditures of the District. Also reviewed was Debt Service Coverage Ratio's with projected Capital expenditures and debt obligations in the future. Ms. Warren stated that the District was financially sound and could consider issuing insured and rated bond financing in the future to fund capital expenditures. Projected rate increases to cover expenses was also reviewed by Ms. Warren. After discussion of the summary the BOD determined that no action was necessary at this time; however, Chairman Denning did inquire with the Board members their intent to review the current water rate structure of the District. After conferring with the Board, Chairman Denning requested that the review of the District's water rates be inserted into next month's agenda.

Agenda item #3 was the annual request, by the Kansas Public Water Supply Loan Fund (KPWSLF), for the submission of potential projects to be funded by the program. The District's Manager, Allan Soetaert, and consultant's Chester Bender (PY) and Philip Ciesielski (GBA) offered opinions on projects that could be considered by the Board for submission. Mr. Soetaert noted that submitting the document is for consideration only and does not commit JO7 to receive funding. After discussion on several potential projects, Director McCarty moved to authorize management to proceed with submission of the pre-application for consideration for the future 135<sup>th</sup> Street water main project to serve the District. Director Nellor seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Agenda item #4 was a presentation from Director Finley regarding his capstone project he has presented for his Master's Degree in Professional Science. Director Finley reviewed the topic of his presentation being the "Risk Analysis to Public Water Supplies Impose by a Cyanobacterial Bloom on Hillsdale Lake". After the presentation, and some questions, Chairman Denning thanked Director Finley for sharing this with the Board.

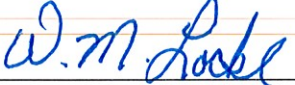
Agenda item #5 was reports. Mr. Soetaert presented a brief update and overview of his written report about projects within the district. Some questions ensued, with discussion. Mr. Bender also reviewed some updates to various projects. No action was taken by the BOD.

Chairman Denning noted no other business to come before the BOD. Director Andrew moved to adjourn the meeting. Director Locke seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

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Time noted was 7:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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W. M. Locke, Secretary