

Horseshoe Irrigation Company

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

October 21, 2016

7:00 PM

Horseshoe Irrigation Company held the regular board meeting October 21, 2016. The meeting was held in the Spring City Municipal building, 150 East Center, Spring City, Utah.

Roll Call:

1. Board Members: Randy Strate, John Stevens, Scott Sunderland, Chad Beck, Matt Francks, Mark Sorensen, Mike Black (absent).
2. Staff Members: Ken Jensen, Kristy English, Brent Petersen
3. Others: Chad Savage, Jeff Watson

Executive Business:

1. **Bank Statement:** Randy presented the bank statement from the last month.
2. **Share Transfer Requests:** None
3. **Bills to be paid:**

To	Service	Amount
Verizon	Water master Phone	\$77.89
Sinclair	Fuel	\$136.30
Rocky Mountain Power	Power	\$18.92
Mountainland	Parts	\$771.55
Southwest Plumbing	Parts	\$34.27
Farmer's Floral	Sorensen Funeral	\$69.23
Kopy Katz	4 New Certificate Books	\$414.75
Kristy English	Envelopes	\$64.43
Postmaster	Annual Box Fee	\$48.00
Postmaster	Stamps	\$376.00
John Stevens	System Audit Mapping and Maps	\$6040.00

Motion to pay the bills: Randy Second: Matt Question on the motion: All Aye

4. **Minutes:** Motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting: Scott Second: Chad
Question on the motion: All Aye
5. **Randy Lusty line damage:** Randy Lusty was disking and he hit a bell and broke the line that goes to the North fields 2nd North Pressure station. The repair is \$863.00. The pipe wasn't as deep where he hit it because of some large rocks under the pipe, but when it was repaired the rocks were removed and it is

lower now. Randy Lusty told Ken he didn't feel like he should have to pay for the repair, and Randy Strate invited him to the meeting to discuss whose responsibility it was. Randy Lusty has hit this line in the past and damaged it and he had signed an easement for the line so he was very aware of the line being there and that it was shallow. Randy Lusty didn't attend the meeting. Matt suggested that the company could be generous and pay for the excavation portion the repair if the case is made that the installation of the line is the problem. It was suggested that Randy Lusty had caused the line to be closer to the surface when he did some excavation previously. Mark has some sections of line through his fields, that are very shallow, and he has repaired it when he damages it. Policy 3.1.2 states "If repairs are needed due to water users' operations or animals, i.e. broken risers, repair costs will be billed to the water user in their annual assessment bill." After some discussion the board felt that as Randy doesn't come to a meeting to discuss the charge, he should be billed for the repair.

- 6. Watson stock water line:** Donald did not attend the meeting, but it was explained to Jeff Watson that the board decided at the previous meeting that Donald would be billed for the repair and the parts. Jeff feels it wasn't engineered correctly and was trying to fix the problem. Randy said the Watsons were there when it was installed originally and didn't say anything, and he has a hard time understanding how it wasn't adequate. After Jeff explained that water running year round through a 1" pipe caused lime scale to build up, Randy wondered if the company should pay for the 150 feet of 2 inch line Jeff had installed to cause it to draw better. Jeff said if it's only turned on when needed, and not left on all the winter, lime scale won't build up as quickly. Randy asked if it'll freeze in the winter. Jeff said that is a concern. He also mentioned that valves were put on and he suggested that there is some maintenance that needs to be done each year that the company wouldn't want the Watson's to be doing. Randy asked if any board members had a problem with the company paying for the new 150 feet of 2 inch pipe installation, and said the company should clean the hard water build up from the box annually.

Scott made a motions stating the company will pay for the materials to replace the first 150 feet of line with 2" pipe. Seconded by Chad Yay: Matt, Mark, and Randy No: John

It was made clear that the maintenance and operation of the line would be the Watson's responsibility.

- 7. Tunnel inspection report:** Chad Savage from the bureau came and inspected the feeder canals and his colleague inspected the tunnel. There was one place that needed to be patched at the end of the tunnel where some rebar was showing. The north black canyon canal had a place near the end that needed to be armored, and there was some dead wood in the canals, but overall it looked good. Chad will write a report with recommended maintenance and repairs for the board to review. He also asked if the board was still interested in the title transfer for the tunnel. There would be some expense involved in transferring the title because of legal fees, environmental studies, cultural studies, and it takes an act of congress so a lobbyist will be needed as well. Matt asked what the obligation for the company in the future would be to continue the studies. Chad said that is only part of the transfer because it is a federal compliance they have to adhere to. Randy suggested a meeting be planned when the company attorney can attend to discuss it with the board and Chad. Chad suggested Randy speak to the attorney and ask what the benefits to the company would be to transfer the title from the bureau. Randy will discuss it with the attorney and let chad know if/when that will be.
- 8. Electronic measuring device installation:** It's time to start working on getting the pond level measuring device installed on Gordon's Pond. Matt said he can get bids for the equipment and explained to the board how it was done previously. The board felt comfortable with doing it the same way because there haven't been problems with that design. Chad suggested calling the bureau and getting it scheduled as soon as possible and thought the guys there could give him a list of what is needed. Randy said this project will be given to Jeff Watson and Matt can help him as needed and suggested it is started as soon as possible.
- 9. 2017 budget:** Randy pointed out that there was a net loss this year of about \$5000.00 and with the projects planned this year there won't be much left at the end of the year if the entire budget is spent. The budget was discussed in detail before it was set. Scott suggested he would really like to see the assessment

stay the same. The board members agreed, even though there won't be much money left as a result of the budget this year.

10. 2016 assessments: The assessments were set as follows: City Lots 28.75, City lots paid in full 24.00, City Acres 20.80, Chimney power 3.03, Class A 6.25, Field O&M 9.00, City Lots O&M 22.00.

11. Shut down systems and draining:

a. **Draining:** Ken said he'll get it done. The board members offered to help if he needs it.

b. **Stock water:** There have not been any requests for stock water at this time.

12. Schedule Special meetings

a. **Finalize proofing maps:** Next Friday, October 28, is scheduled for finalizing mapping of the systems.

b. **High water/Future system management:** It will be planned for the first of the year.

13. Open Discussion: Jeff will put the valves in at Gordon's Pond and the city pond. It was also explained to Jeff that the board was considering going back to the original plan of replacing the Crawford ditch with pipeline.

14. Next Meeting date: Nov 18, 2016

Adjourned: 9:00 pm