

Horseshoe Irrigation Company

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

March 31, 2017

7.00 PM

Horseshoe Irrigation Company held the regular board meeting March 31, 2017. 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.
2. Staff Members: Ken Jensen, Kristy English, Brent Petersen
3. Others: Chad Savage

Executive Business:

1. **Bank Statement:** bank statement will be looked at next month.
2. **Share Transfer Requests:** February 2017

From	To	Shares	System
Mitch and Cheryl Burton Trust	Kathy Knaus/Kristine Hansen	1	Same B29 L2
Mitch and Cheryl Burton Trust	Joseph & Audrey Fuchsel	2	Unallocated to B69 L1
Mitch and Cheryl Burton Trust	Mark Allred	13	Unallocated to Unallocated
John English	Adam English	32	Crawford – Same
John English	Adam English	2 – Well	Crawford – Same
Patricia Rasmussen	N & M Sorensen Land Management LLC	13	Unallocated to N. Fields
Jeff Macfarlane	Skousen Descendants	3	S. Field to S. Field
Jeff Macfarlane	Jeremy king	1	Same

Motion to approve: Scott Second: Mark Question on the motion: All Aye

3. Bills to be paid:

To	Service	Amount
Verizon	Water master Phone	\$78.20
SFI Autos – Corey Madsen	Water master truck service	\$74.41
SouthWest Plumbing	Parts	\$92.71

Sinclair Oil	Fuel	\$317.22
Jeff Watson	Excavation	\$1347.50
Matt Francks	Pond valves, welding	\$547.00
Mike Stevens	City Pond Cleaning	\$28,800.00

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

4. **Minutes:** Motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting: Chad Second: John
Question on the motion: Aye Randy, Scott, Mark, John, Chad Abstained: Matt
5. **Pond Cleaning:** The pond looks great, a lot more material was removed than expected. Jeff is working on the little pond now. Chad reminded them that a section of creek there needs to be cleaned as well; Jeff knows where it is, but Matt will go up with him. Mike said his culvert is still mudded in from the pond cleaning, and the board agreed he can have Jeff clean it out.
6. **Crawford Ditch:** Chad talked to Neva Black and she said the HDPE can be stacked on her property and Matt thinks it can be fused there as well. Ken talked to John Blain and he said just to keep him informed about what is going on. Ken said the HDPE will be about \$30,000.00 and Matt will get bids on the fusing. Randy said the board would like to see Matt do it, if he can find the time. Mike talked to Hansen sheep company and they said it's not a problem if their property is left as it is now when the project is complete.
7. **Shareholder accounts:** Kristy has nearly completed the use list/shareholder account audit.
8. **System Start ups:** Things are ready to go. John reminded Ken of a valve that needs to be replaced on his property that comes of the main. Mark said he'd be ready to start the turns on the ditch any time after the 15th of April.
9. **Special Meetings**
 - a. **Finalize mapping:** Nothing discussed
 - b. **High water/Future system management:** Date of meeting still undecided.
10. **Vice-President election:** Chads 2 year tern as VP is up. John motioned Chad serve another 2 year term as vice president Second: Scott
Question on the motion: All Aye
11. **Open Discussion**

Randy discussed the Freeman Allred pond. He said that funding is difficult to obtain, impact studies will need to be done, and he feels the company needs a manager as HIC is getting so many shareholder and so many projects needed overseen that it cannot be managed by volunteer time anymore.

Francin and Noble engineering put together some figures about 15 years ago and Mike will look at his records and see if he can find those reports. Chad Savage said some grants can be obtained to do the study, but homework needs to be done before applying for grants. He said more grants will come available in October so it might be a good idea to get the homework done before then. Mike agrees that hiring a manager should be considered with the projects the company wants to pursue, and everyone on the board is too busy to take care of any of them. Matt said he knows someone local that knows how to write grants, and asked if he should talk to them and invite them to a meeting. Scott asked Chad Savage his opinion, and he said he likes the idea of hiring someone for the grant process because it could be highly beneficial to the company. Chad also said he is happy to help the company in the direction that might help with the feasibility of the pond project. Matt thanked Chad on behalf of the board for the tunnel inspection report

and the work done. Matt feels the board has a fiduciary responsibility to the shareholders to explore the options for more water storage.

John suggested the company lines are mapped as well because so many pieces have been divided and lines are being added by property owners. Randy also feels that shareholders should come to board meetings and present their plan before adding lines. Scott wondered if it would be beneficial to the company to do these additions so they know what was done and, the standard it was done to, and then bill the shareholders. He also wondered if the line then becomes the responsibility of the company for maintenance. Randy said he thinks it's best the company is only responsible to the valves, and those will be put in at the tie in.

Osral and Linda Allred's kids are wanting to start watering some of their ground east of town. Currently the ground is mapped as flood irrigated, and the issue with tying into the line is that it wasn't designed into the system, and there will be pressure problems. They can take water out of the Lund ditch during high water, or put in a well, but the board doesn't feel like it would be a good idea to tie into the line there. Randy told them to come talk to the board and present a plan.

John reminded the board that some work needs to be done on the tunnel. Matt said he'd take care of the patching on the tunnel and the cleaning of the feeder canals.

Scott talked to his nephew in the water rights division and he said Horseshoe Irrigation is doing a great job and doing everything they're going to be asking water companies to do, at least as far as mapping and documenting and policies. He would also like to make a decision about class B shares and what the company wants to do with them. The attorney said the company can manage their water how they choose, and if they chose to get rid of them they can. Randy pointed out that a shareholder meeting would have to be held, and the majority of shareholders would have to vote for it. Randy feels like a complete management plan needs to be in place before that is considered because it is a potential management tool.

Randy asked Kristy to submit hours for the audits when she is finished.

Ken's salary was increased by \$1000 for the year.

Brent was asked to stay on to assist Ken as needed on an hourly basis.

12. Next meeting date: April 21, 7:00