

Hisega Meadows Water, Inc.  
Board of Directors Meeting – September 9, 2019 @ 6:30 PM  
Johnson Siding Fire Dept.

**Present:** Rick Schurger, V-Pres. (2022); Craig Fischer, Treas. (2020); Jane Russell, Sec. (2022); Ron Gordon, Director (2020); Scott Licht-Manager/Water Operator, Larry Deibert bookkeeper/transcriber

**Absent:** Randy Smart, President (2021);

**Guests:**

Rick called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM since Randy was attending his brother's funeral.

**Operator/Manager's Report:** August 2019                      MANAGER/OPERATOR REPORT

8-1-19 Water sample at Licht Residence

8-12-19 New Filters, 17 days, 808,700 gallons

8-25-19 Dwight changed filters, 14 days, 606,000 gallons

Dwight worked 7 days in August

We pumped 1,348,067 gallons of water in August.

The connections for a larger prime line in the pit are complete. A 5/8" drinking water safe hose to connect the two will be here 9-12-19.

I have done a lot of research on lightening protection. I believe our best approach is to install a lightening protection grid around the Big Piney reservoir with lightning rods placed on 18' tall posts at 4 corners with ground rods for each and all interconnected with special lightening rod cable. Research has shown that we need to make the lightening go where we want it to go. Grounding equipment by itself has not been effective.

Creek flow has slowed to 106 cu fts. Normal for this time of year is 60 cu fts. The creek is very dirty and I need to make chlorine adjustment almost daily.

Having a concrete floor in the Wash Pit made the cleaning by Wiege much quicker.

August went very smooth.

**Bookkeeper's Report:**

Ron made motion to approve the treasurer's report, Craig seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**Minutes:** The August 12, 2019 minutes were reviewed. Craig made a motion to approve the minutes; Jane seconded. Minutes were approved unanimously.

**Old Business:**

**Remote Reading Water Meters:** Ed Striebel manages 3 or 4 water companies using software similar to Banyan data. Ed provided a report about what Clearwater Consulting and Water Management firm might be able to do for HMWI. Can do a drive-by reading of Sensus meters and the billing associated. No power needs to go to the meter pit; there is a lithium battery in the remote reader. The meter Pit is either a 14" or 18" Diameter depending on the size of the supply line. Approx. cost for Meter Pit is \$750 plus \$500 installation cost for each. Meters are approx.\$130 each plus the transmitter is approx. \$130. Sensus program only handles the meter readings and not the billing. If HMWI is going to be responsible for collecting the meter readings and send the billing statements, we will need to purchase a hand-held computer at approx. \$6300-\$6500 plus another \$2000/year for support and would also need

to purchase billing software such as Banyan date for \$???. Clearwater could record the meter reading and handle the billing for \$450-\$500 per month. Installation of the meters could be approx. \$200 each; Patriot plumbing has installed Sensus meters for some of the water companies Ed works with. Set-up fee is \$1200 - \$1500 for Clearwater to be ready to handle the water invoices. Attached is a spreadsheet showing all provided costs and summary of monthly & yearly costs after the initial outlay.

**Status of Countryside Grill Account:**

Countryside Grill is out of business. Approx. 4500 gallons of water is going through the meter daily even when the Grill was not open. Scot has shut off the water at the Grill.

**New Business:**

Questions about status of Holli Telford's account, Holli is behind by \$25 for her deposit payments and the \$35 returned check fee for a total of \$60 Balance Due.

Being no further business, Ron made a motion to adjourn; Jane seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:29; the next regular board meeting will be 6:30 PM, Monday, Oct. 14, 2019 at the JSFSD.

Respectfully submitted,  
Larry Deibert, Transcriber