

Hisega Meadows Water, Inc.  
Board of Directors Meeting – March 8, 2021 @ 6:30 PM  
Rimrock Community Center

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

**Absent:** Randy Smart, President (2021); Larry Deibert, transcriber

**Guests:** None

**Operator/Manager's Report:** February 2021; 3-4-21

2-1-21 Water Sample at Licht Residence.

2-14-21 Dwight had a lot of problems with the #2 pump. It was hard to prime, but once primed it ran fairly well. Dwight wonders if the sand needs replacing because we are going thru filters every 7 days.

2-15-21 I started back washing with the #3 pump. I talked to Mike Moeller with SD Rural Water in Spearfish. We discussed the short filter life we are having. I described the situation and he felt the Sand filters were working. I asked if switching from Alum to a Polimar might help. He said he thought it would, and suggested that I contact Derick Alexander at Hawkins Chemical.

I contacted Derick and he said there was a Polimar that would be much better than Alum as a coagulating agent. He said it is much more expensive, but you use less of it because it is more efficient. Next month he will come out and do a Jar Test to see which Polimar will work the best. He said Alum does not work well with cold water. (Historically our shortest filter life is in the winter when the water is the coldest) if we switch to a Polimar we need to go thru the approval process with DENR.

I called Jim Zek the head guy for SD Rural Water in Madison. I explained our situation. He thinks the sand filters are working OK but feels that they are not getting completely clean. He suggested that I go from a 4-minute back wash cycle to a 6-minute backwash cycle for 2 weeks to see if there is any difference. The years of high creek flow over time probably led to the filters gradually getting overloaded. He also said that Alum does not work well in cold water. Years ago, Jack had short filter life. He changed the sand thinking that was the problem. New sand did not help.

I have been using a 6-minute back wash cycle for over 2 weeks now and the last night I changed filters and got 14 days and 365,296 gallons of water. That is the best filter life since 1-4-21. There have been 5 filter changed between 1-4-21 & today 3-3-21 that have been averaging 7 days.

2-16-21 strong chlorine smell. Could not find a cause

2-17-21 2 burp line check valves were leaking. I cleaned them & they are working fine now.

2-18-21 reservoir reading 1.1' (full is 8') Pump was on. I checked the reservoir and found it to be over full and just about ready to overflow. Snow covering solar panel caused the battery to run down. Also, the light bulb on the thermo cube in the control box was burned out. Installed a new bulb and cleared the snow off the solar panel. Also freed the reservoir float that was frozen at 6'. (I have never seen that happen in over 20 years.)

2-23-21 I got my 1<sup>st</sup> Covid Shot

All in all, February went fairly well.

Dwight worked 8 days in February.

We pumped 736,142 gallons

**Bookkeeper's Report:**

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

Past Due Accounts: No Accounts are past due.

Current Invoices due (anything over \$1,500): None

**Minutes:**

February 8, 2021 minutes were reviewed. Craig made motion to approve the minutes, Ron seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**Old Business**

**Annual Meeting:**

From February meeting, the following was approved and is included here as information:

The Membership meeting is scheduled for June 29; serving pie & ice cream starting at 6:30 PM with the business meeting starting at 7:00 PM. The meeting will be at the Rimrock Community Center with Pie & Ice Cream being furnished. Three Board Members will be elected with Present Board Members, Ron Gordon and Randy Smart not being available to serve an additional 3-year term.

**New Business**

The next regular board meeting will be 6:30 PM, Monday, April 12, 2021 at the Rimrock Community Center.

Respectfully submitted,  
Larry Deibert, Transcriber

**March 8 actions** concerning the Treasurer's report and minutes from the February meeting as recorded in the e-mail log below:

Rick Schurger <rickschurger@aol.com>

Tue 3/9/2021 5:35 PM

Oops, forgot to record my vote. I vote to accept the treasurers report, and accept the past meeting minutes.

Rick Schurger

Jane Russell <jlm144@msn.com>

Mon 3/8/2021 8:15 PM

I have read the minutes and reports and vote to pass them both. Thank you, Jane

On Mar 8, 2021, at 5:54 PM, Scot Licht <bhnursery@hotmail.com> wrote:

There were no past due accounts for Feb., Scot

**From:** [Ronald Gordon](#)

**Sent:** Monday, March 8, 2021 3:22 PM

I read the reports and vote to pass them as written.

lfis617574@aol.com

Mon 3/8/2021 3:18 PM

Sounds alright with me.

I have read all of the reports and I vote to approve the Treasurers report and the minutes of last months meeting.

Thanks,

Craig

-----Original Message-----

From: randy smart <randysmart@vikingmechanical.com>

To: Rick Schurger <rickschurger@aol.com>; Ronald & Vivian Gordon <viv-ron@outlook.com>; Craig & Linda Fisher <lfis617574@aol.com>; randysmart@vikingmechanical.com <randysmart@vikingmechanical.com>; Larry Deibert <rojobert@msn.com>; Scot Licht <bhnursery@hotmail.com>; Jane Russell <jlm144@msn.com>

Sent: Fri, Mar 5, 2021 8:57 am

Subject: March 8th 2021 Board meeting agenda.

Dear Board members

I have attached a copy of a agenda for this Monday's meeting, it will be held at the Community center.

Larry & I will be out of town for the meeting, there isn't much to discuss or any large bills to pay, so it's up to the remaining board members to decide to meet via e-mail or at the community center.