

Hisega Meadows Water, Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting
January 16, 2017 @ 6:30 PM
HMWI Pump House

BOARD OF DIRECTORS	(term)	(phone)	STAFF	(phone)
Larry Deibert-President	(2018)	343-3942	Scot Licht-Operator	393-5892
Mick Blumer-Vice President	(2017)	605-310-9630	Keith Lau-Manager	390-2963
Craig Fischer-Director	(2017)	519-1837	Lona Lau-Bookkeeper	342-2254
Norm Tschetter-Treasurer	(2019)	348-3003		

Guest Present: Allan Sage of Sage Water Works, Inc.

Pump House Plumbing Modification: Allan met with the Board to discuss the level of effort needed to minimize the chances of Pump #3 losing its Prime; a problem Scot has reported to the Board several times. Allan recommended replacing all the piping on the "Intake" side of the pumps since there are numerous rubber boots that could be allowing air to get into the system. Another area of concern was replacing the discharge stack from the #3 Pump. Mick made a motion to hire Allan to perform the work on a time and material basis (\$55/hr. with approx. 16-20 hrs. per person; requiring at least one other person in addition to Allan; approx. \$1000 of materials). Norm seconded the motion; Motion passed unanimously.

Election of Board Member Replacement: Three individuals were put forth for consideration to fill the remaining 5 months of Ron Brown's term. Ron Brown was elected by the Board to fill the vacancy created when Bob Laurenti resigned at the end of July. Ron Brown's term would have ended at the annual membership meeting in June since he had been appointed by the Board. The three individuals were: Larry Chilstrom, Rick Schurger and Daniel Smith. Motion made by Norm, seconded by Craig to appoint Rick Schurger to fill the remaining 5 months since he is willing to consider being nominated for the remaining two years of the original term ending in June 2019. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

Compensation of Board Members: Motion made by Mick that any officer or director may submit a bill for labor hours, mileage, personal equipment usage, and any volunteer time for phase 1, 2, and 3 projects in order to save HMWI money instead of hiring outside contractors. The hourly rate to be at a contract price of \$15.00 per hour, the mileage rate at the government rate of fifty-four cents, the personal equipment rate of one-half of the typical rental rate, and the volunteer rate at zero dollars. The bills must be submitted at or before the regular February, 2017 monthly board meeting and voted on with the affected board member abstaining. After the February, 2017 board meeting, any board member may be hired as an employee and paid a reasonable hourly rate for work performed in order to save HMWI money instead of hiring outside contractors. Seconded by Norm. Following extensive discussion, the motion failed on a vote of 2 ayes and 2 nays.

Motion made by Norm and seconded by Larry that Mick should prepare a request for compensation, for hours worked on the Phase 3 project, to the Board. The request should show the total hours worked on Phase 3; indicate the number of hours he was donating (if any) and the numbers of hours to be compensated for at the rate of \$15/hr. along with the total amount requested. The request will be presented to the membership for consideration at the annual member meeting June 27, 2017. Motion passed with three ayes and Mick abstaining.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:08 AM, next regular board meeting will be 6:30 PM February 13, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Deibert
Assistant Secretary