

Hisega Meadows Water, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting – October 12, 2020 @ 6:30 PM
Johnson Siding Fire Dept.

Present: Randy Smart, President (2021), Rick Schurger, V-Pres. (2022); Craig Fischer, Treas. (2020); Jane Russell, Sec. (2022); Ron Gordon, Director (2020); Scott Licht-Manager/Water Operator;

Absent: Larry was absent due to self-quarantine requirements

Guests: None

Randy called the meeting to order at 6:26 PM.

Operator/Manager's Report: September 2020

9-1-20 Water Sample @ Donovan Residence

9-21-20 HAA & THM Samples (6 bottles)

9-24-20 New Filters. 14 days 613,542 gallons

9-24-20 Drained Yardney Sand Filter to check sand level. Sand level was slightly over full. Added ½ bag of Anthracite to each filter.

Dwight worked 8 days in September

We pumped 1,257,914 gallons in September

There was a water leak on Dwight Michelson's service line. He had Sage water works make the repair.

His service line is 80 psi thin wall poly.

Everything went relatively smooth in September, not so for the start of October.

10-1-20 Water sample at Sander's Residence

10-1-20 Monthly report to DENR, Quarterly report to DENR

10-2-20 Water sample FAILED. This is the first sample I have taken that failed. Increased chlorine from 1.0 mg/L to 3.0 mg/L to shock the system. I am not sure why the sample failed. 1.0 – 1.5 mg/L is what I normally have the chlorine set for. The lab said a lot of water systems had failing samples and thought cooler fall weather could be a factor. The creek flow is low (is at winter flow levels). This could lead to a higher concentration of contaminates. Higher gpm pump output plus cooler water temperature could cause not enough contact time for the chlorine to work.

10-2-20 thru 10-5-20 took numerous chlorine readings.

10-3-20 Started running # 2 pump (less gpm will lead to more contact time) chlorine at 3.0 mg/L

10-5-20 Took repeat sample at Sander's Residence, + one sample upstream & one sample downstream as per Revised Total Coliform Rule. Chlorine level leaving the pit was 3.0 mg/L. The chlorine level at Sander's Residence was 1.85 mg/L, Downstream sample was 2.20 mg/L, Upstream was .97 mg/L.

10-5-20 Flushed hydrants throughout the system and took chlorine samples. Samples in Rolling Hills and Heritage home ranged from 1.64 mg/L to 2.20 mg/L and in Evergreen valley the chlorine tested at 1.09 mg/L.

10-5-20 PM turned down chlorine to 2.0 mg/L and will probably keep it at that level until creek flow increases. Will continue to do multiple daily chlorine tests. I should get the test results 10-6-20 or 10-7-20.

Failed water samples: Second test failed but replacement sample passed. HMWI is in compliance with the State. State believes the problem is at the test site itself and not with HMWI system.

Continued water loss of approx. of 500,000 gal/mo.: Water leak at Dwight Mikkelson's was in the service line before the meter. The next month's report will also be inaccurate due to all the flushing Scot needed to do during the first part of October.

Adding a third filter canister to the pit piping: The cost for a 3rd canister is \$3250, no action taken; Scot is going to get Grimes to rebuild 3rd pump since #2 pump is acting up.

Repairs & updates at the pump house, what estimates have been received? Scot is starting to get estimates. Phase 1: Scot will get Sage to do the outside work before winter. Scot will work on outlining Phase 2 plan. The Board suggested possible firms to provide estimates: Action Mechanical; Midwest Mechanical.

What pipes are Lead? Scot stated there are No lead piping in the system but we do have some galvanized pipes

Bookkeeper's Report:

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

Past Due Accounts: Marilee emailed Scot four accounts that are past due; Scot was unable to deal with them since he was consumed with the failed water tests. Scot will check the status of the four accounts with Marilee before sending disconnect notices.

Current bills due: Insurance bill due Dec. 1 for \$990 (Commercial Package and Professional Liability policies with United Fire & Casualty for the term of 6-27-2020 to 6-27-2021.) Motion by Jane to pay the insurance premium, Ron seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes:

September 16, 2020 minutes were reviewed. Rick made motion to approve the minutes, Craig seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Annual Meeting:

Discussion concerning whether to hold the annual meeting with the Covid-19 concerns; consensus was to hold off conducting the annual meeting indefinitely. The decision of when to hold the annual meeting will again be discussed at the November meeting.

New Business

New Business came up during Scot's Report and was handled as part of his report.

Being no further business, Ron made a motion to adjourn; Rick seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:22 PM; the next regular board meeting will be 6:30 PM, Monday, November 9, 2020 at the JSFSD.

Respectfully submitted,
Larry Deibert, Transcriber