

Hisega Meadows Water, Inc.  
Board of Directors Meeting – March 11, 2024 @ 6:30 PM  
Rimrock Community Center

**Present:** Justin Mayes, President (2024); John Kolasa, Vice-President (2026); Craig Fischer, Treas. (2026); Steve Vadney Director (2025), Scot Licht, Manager/Water Operator; Larry Deibert, transcriber  
**Absent:** Jane Russell, Secretary (2025)

Justin called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM

**Guests:** Byron Schultz

Byron appeared at the Board meeting to express his concern with a portion of the Rules & Regulations. The original Rolling Hills Estates lots had existing water rights provided with the original plating; Byron was concerned about the R&R stating that the Board could deny providing water to new customers if the water system exceeds 500 individuals.

**Operator/Manager's Report:** February 2024 3-5-24

2-1-24 Water Sample at Schulz Residence

2-1-24 Monthly Report to DANR

2-4-24 New Filters PM, 7 days

2-10-24 Pump Quit during the night.

2-13-24 New Filters PM, 9 days, 461,465 gallons

2-16-24 Intake Gallery heater kicked off again. Turned on (pit to intake) fan.

2-21-24 New Filters PM, 8 days, 417,718 gallons

2-24-24 Mike called and said he could not get turbidity down after AM back wash.

I told him to leave the pump off for several hours to let things settle down. Still could not get turbidity down. I worked 4 hours trying to get turbidity down, pumping into the back wash pit. This included another back wash. I was finally able to start pumping water up the line although turbidity was on the high side of the of the DANR limits. Turned up chlorine to shock the system.

Checked pump every hour, static back washes every two hours up to midnight.

2-25-24 Pump quit during the night, reservoir 4.1' (8' is full) It took me several hours before I could pump water up the line. Full back washes riled the water up too much so I did static back washes every hour up until 10:00 PM when I had to change filters. 4 days, 197,334 gallons. Ice breaking off the creek banks and wind might have caused the problems along with a back wash sump pump that was not working properly.

2-26-24 Reservoir at 5.1' even with the pump running all night.

2-27-24 Reservoir full.

We pumped 1,488,628 gallons in February.

Mike worked 6 ½ days, Dwight worked 6 days.

Wyatt Hicks from SD Rural Water stopped out 3/10/24. He showed me how to fill out

columns D, E, F, G, H, I (water service provider) portion of the Lead Service Pipe Inventory Spreadsheet. This needs to be done for every customer on the system. It is very time-consuming. I am continuing to make progress.

**Over-due accounts report:** as of 3/03/24

<u>Member</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Over 30</u>	<u>Over 60</u>	<u>Over 90</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Fred Jensen	\$158.11	\$137.81	\$ 0	\$ 0.00	\$295.92
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$158.11</b>	<b>\$137.81</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$295.92</b>

**Current Invoices due** (anything over \$2,000): None

**Bookkeeper’s Report:**

Steve Vadney made a motion to approve the February treasurer’s report, John Kolasa seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**Minutes:**

February 12, 2024, minutes were reviewed John Kolasa made a motion to approve the minutes, Craig Fischer seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**Old Business:**

1. John made a motion to contact Alan Sage or Dan’s Ditching (whoever can complete the project first) to install an isolation valve near the Lindsey Dr & Rolling Hills intersection. Steve Vadney seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
2. Justin will call Marilee on March 12 and request that she email the hyper-link to the State web site, to all members so they can take a picture of their connection at the water meter and fill out the information requested.
3. Change base rate and/or the usage rate: John made a motion to increase the base rate \$5/month to \$90/month; Steve seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**New Business:**

1. Rules & Regulations: Byron Schultz recommended changing the Rules & Regulations; Below is section VII (E.) with a proposed addition underlined. The Board is to approve a final wording at the April Board meeting to be used in the new Rules & Regulations that shall be provided to the membership in June.

VII. (E) HMWI may refuse water service if it is determined that the additional connection cannot be serviced due to pumping capacity and/or storage capacity in the reservoirs, the water main size is not adequate to meet the needs of the existing service lines and/or if the State and Federal rules preclude HMWI from supplying greater amounts of water. The decision of adequacy is at the sole discretion of the HMWI Board. **Exceptions to the prior paragraph are the lots in the initially platted Rolling Hills Estates, due to the presence of a pre-existing water supply agreement being part of the Rolling Hills Estates “Declarations of Restrictions & Covenants to run with the Land” documents. This is for residential usage & not commercial usage.**

2. No Spring Clean-up is needed at this time.
3. Contact Johnson Siding CC about reserving the Center for June 25 for the annual meeting.

**Misc. Business:**

Craig Fischer made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Steve Vadney seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM.

The next regular board meeting will be 6:30 PM, Monday, April 8, 2024, at the Rimrock Community Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Deibert, Transcriber