

**Rural Water District #4  
Wagoner County  
Regular Board Meeting  
April 13, 2021  
7:00 PM  
Join Meeting: call 480-712-7555 ID:1151-258-2331**

**Call to order:** Chairman Stinnett called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Board Members present:** Mr. Arnold Kunze, Mr. Charles Stinnett, Mr. Jim Self and Mr. Gary Rogers, Mr. Chad Jester

**Staff Present:** Mr. Bill Giles, Mr. Rick Lang

**Citizens Present:** No citizens present.

The first order of the evening was the Call to Order by Board Chairman, Charles Stinnett, followed by the Roll Call by the clerk. Roll Call: Mr. Jim Self, present; Mr. Gary Rogers, present; Mr. Charles Stinnett, present, and Mr. Arnold Kunze, present; Mr. Chad Jester, present.

**Discussion and action on Approval of the Minutes of the 3-9-2021 Regular Board Meeting.**

Chairman Charles Stinnett called for review of the Minutes recorded for the 3-9-2021 Regular Board Meeting [Tab 2]. Following Board review and without discussion, Mr. Chad Jester entered a Motion that the Minutes of 3-9-2021 Regular Board Meeting be approved; Mr. Jim Self moved to Second the Motion. Roll Call: Mr. Arnold Kunze, yes; Mr. Charles Stinnett, yes; Mr. Gary Rogers, yes; and Mr. Jim Self, yes. Mr. Chad Jester, yes. The Minutes of 3-9-2021 Regular Board Meeting stand approved as entered.

**Discussion and action on approval on items from citizens present.**

No citizens present.

**Discussion and Review of the Manager's Report/Status Report.**

Mr. Giles referred the Board to the Manager's Report [Tab 3]. Mr. Rick Lang's first order of business was to relate that there had been 171,700 gallons of water purchased from the City of Tulsa for March. He then related that March sales records confirm ninety-eight (98) meters sold during the month and sixty-seven (67) meters installed.

There were a few small leaks in March. The pumpage from the water plant in March was 67,701,000 gals. He had no additional information; no discussion or questions arose --- no action was required.

**Discussion and Review on the Engineering Report.**

Mr. Giles referred the Board to the Engineering report [Tab 3]. The District's Engineer, Ryan Smith stated that on the 61<sup>st</sup> to 81<sup>st</sup> St from 193<sup>rd</sup> E. Ave to 209<sup>th</sup> E Ave, there hasn't been any changes to these projects. The 101<sup>st</sup> Street Relocations project: Rick, the contractor and Ryan attended a county commissioner meeting on Monday and they agreed to let the project proceed. The 193<sup>rd</sup> E. Ave. from 51<sup>st</sup> to 61<sup>st</sup> Street Intersection, there are no changes. 61<sup>st</sup> St from 193<sup>rd</sup> to 209<sup>th</sup> a email was received from a guy who redesigned the roadway stating that Broken Arrow was wanting to get the project going. It is at DEQ for permitting. 81<sup>st</sup> & Wright Place, there are no changes to this project. The Water Treatment Plan Chloramine Conversion, they are doing the jar testing from the samples that the district pulled. The Wastewater Treatment Plant they are working with AeroMod as they will have to work with ODEQ regarding several variances that were not permitted.

Ryan then inquired whether there were any questions; no questions or discussion arose and no action was required.

### **Discussion and review of the Business Managers Report**

Mr. Giles referred the Board to The Business Manager's Report [Tab 3, final page] to review account balance figures as of the end of February.

The New Debt Service Fund has a balance of \$101,332.82.

The Rural Development Reserve Fund currently stands at \$251,997.12.

Oneta Energy update: Mar. bill submitted.

The Reserve Fund has a balance of \$1,781,148.47.

The Current Debt Service Reserve balance \$152,268.89.

Mr. Bill Giles referred the Board to [Tab 4, first page] to review the Summary of Existing RUS Indebtedness and Refinancing Opportunity.

He reviewed the facts that both loans involved in the refinance of the Rural Development loan are designed to save the District a significant amount of interest over the life of the loan. The original RD loan had a fixed rate of 4.125%.

The first loan(first Bank of Anadarko) provides boundary protection and is the amount of \$3,870,000. The interest rate is a fixed rate of 3.50%. That loan closed on 4/7/2021 and required a wire transfer from the reserve fund in the amount of \$131,294.27 at closing.

The second loan (OK Water Resources Board) re-finances \$2,900,000 of the Anadarko loan and is at a fixed rate of 2.036%. That loan closes 4/17/2021 and requires a wire transfer from the

reserve fund in the amount of \$70,000.00 at closing. Both of the wire transfers have been made. The estimated Aggregate Debt Service Savings (Net Gross Savings) is \$1,005,072.84.

No questions or discussion arose on the Business Manager's Report and no action was required at this time.

**Discussion and review on Water plant and distribution issues.**

Mr. Rick Lang stated that the new back wash pump with the VFD was put in and is operating as it should. We have the static mixer for chemicals in place and they are working as it should. Other than normal maintenance at the water plant things are running good.

No questions or discussion arose on the Water Plant and Distribution and no action was required at this time.

**Discussion and Review on Waste Water Plant and collection issues.**

Mr. Rick Lang stated that other than normal maintenance things are going well. We have had three of the large pumps in B1 & B2 go out this past month. They are all three in the shop and will average anywhere from \$5,000 to \$6,000 a piece to repair. A new pump was also ordered that will be right under \$14,000. Both of the lift stations will have to be re piped in the very near future, it will be \$8,000 to \$10,000.00 for those repairs. After discussion, Mr. Lang said he had no additional information; no discussion ensued and no action was required.

**Discussion and review on Oneta power activity.**

The District's Business Manager, Mr. Bill Giles directed the Board's attention to variances

[Tab 6/7]; he began to contrast the Oneta raw water activity for the year in terms of usage and revenue. [Note: this report is maintained on a calendar year basis.] The raw water usage for YTD was 213,000,000 gallons as compared to the prior year figure of 451,000,000 gallons, reflecting a decrease of -52.8%; corresponding revenue for YTD was \$79,489.89 contrasted with \$167,638.93 for the prior year also, reflecting a percentage of decrease at -52.6%.

Chairman Stinnett inquired whether there were any questions; none arose and no action was required.

### **Old Business.**

Mr. Rick Lang and Mr. Bill Giles did not have any old business to report. No action was required.

### **New Business.**

**Under the Open Meeting Act, this agenda item is authorized only for matters not known about or which could not have been reasonable foreseen prior to the time of posting the agenda or any revised agenda.**

Mr. Rick Lang stated that he talked to Chris at Oneta he is going to fly a drone over our property at the water plant. With the new houses in Emerald Falls going in people are riding 4 wheelers and rutting up the property. We are going to have to put a barbed wire fence up around the property from 61<sup>st</sup> on the east side across the south end and back to the chain link by the pond.

When Highland Creek was put in we were aware that eventually they were going to take 101<sup>st</sup> street out and widen it. Our lift station on the South East corner of 225<sup>th</sup> and 101<sup>st</sup> was going to have to

go away. Keith Jones built the Highland Creek lift station large enough to accept all the sewage that goes into the lift station that is going to have to be removed, thinking that we were going to give him money when the state does the road repairs. The state is not going to give us money for the lift station, they are upgrading water lines at the intersection. Mr. Jones is wanting to know about payback on the lift station. Mr. Ryan Smith is going to get an estimate together and it will be on the May agenda.

Tab [12] there is a DEQ permit on South Brook addition 111<sup>th</sup> St on the South side between 209<sup>th</sup> and 225<sup>th</sup>. The preconstruction meeting was held April 13, 2021. The construction will begin April 19<sup>th</sup> and the first 40 lots are already sold.

Mr. Duane Riffe stated that he has received a call from an attorney Russell Peterson. He has a client that lives by the Turkey Springs water tower. There is a road in there that is running East and West. The gentleman is asking that we release the property to him. Mr. Rick Lang stated that they can put it on the May agenda.

There was no further discussion and no action required.

#### **Discussion and action of the Claims Lists.**

Mr. Giles directed the Board to the Claims Lists [Tab 13]. Following the Board's review of the Claims Lists, Chairman Stinnett inquired as to any questions or discussion. Mr. Gary Rogers entered a Motion that the Claims List be approved; Mr. Jim Self Entered a Second to the Motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Jim Self, yes; Mr. Gary Rogers, yes; Mr. Charles Stinnett yes; and Mr. Arnold Kunze, yes; Mr. Chad Jester, yes.

The Motion to approve the claims list, stands approved as presented.

**Review of Investment Statement.**

Mr. Giles referred the Board to the Investment Statement, [tab 15] to review the information.

As of March 26th, the aggregate value had shown a decrease in value from \$792,688.77 to \$792,451.86.

There was no further discussion and no action required.

**Adjournment**

With no further business to conduct, Mr. Gary Rogers Entered a Motion to Adjourn; Chad jester Second the Motion. Roll Call: Mr. Arnold Kunze, yes; Mr. Charles Sinnett yes; Mr. Gary Rogers, yes; and Mr. Jim Self, yes; Mr. Chad Jester, yes. The Motion to Adjourn stands approved.

**The meeting stands adjourned at 7:42 p.m.**