

**Rural Water District #4  
Wagoner County  
Regular Board Meeting  
May 14, 2024  
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. Charles Stinnett, Mr. Gary Rogers, Mr. Terry Hurst, Mr. Chad Jester, Mr. Jim Self

**Staff Present:** Mr. Thomas Faulk, Mr. Rick Lang

**Others Present:** Ryan Smith, Engineer and Duane Riffe, Attorney by phone.

**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, Mr. Chad Jester, present, and Mr. Terry Hurst, present.

**Discussion and action on Approval of the Minutes of the 4-9-2024 Regular Board Meeting**

Chairman Charles Stinnett called for review of the Minutes for the 4-9-2024 Regular Board Meeting [Tab 1]. Mr. Jim Self entered a Motion to approve the Minutes of the 4-9-2024 Regular Board Meeting. Mr. Terry Hurst Entered a Second to the Motion. Roll Call: Mr. Charles Stinnett, yes; Mr. Gary Rogers, yes, Mr. Jim Self, yes, Mr. Terry Hurst, yes, Mr. Chad Jester, yes. The Minutes of 4-9-2024 Regular Board Meeting, stand approved as presented.

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

No citizens present.

### **Discussion and review of the Operations Manager's Report.**

Mr. Faulk referred the Board to the Operations Manager's Report [Tab 2]. Mr. Rick Lang's first order of business was to relate that 15,157,700 gallons of water was purchased from the City of Tulsa. There was 6,738,138 gallons purchased from the City of Broken Arrow. He then said that April sales records confirm sixty-six (66) meters sold during the month and set meters were fifty-one (51) meters installed.

The pumpage from the water plant in April was 63,368,000 gals. He had no additional information; no discussion or questions arose no action was required.

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

Mr. Faulk referred the Board to the Engineering report [Tab 2]. Mr. Ryan Smith stated that there are two new private developments this month. 101<sup>st</sup> & Midway will have 62 lots with water only and BA Landing (Across from Oneta Farms) will have 93 lots with Water/Sewer. The 209<sup>th</sup> Waterline (61<sup>st</sup> to 81<sup>st</sup>) the second phase, which includes approximately 2,750 feet of 12" waterline relocation will take place in the near future. The City of Broken Arrow opened bids on this recently and the low bidder was Cherokee Pride. Construction will commence on this project in the near future and is funded 100% by the City. The Water Treatment Plant Chloramine Conversion has had the 6-week Chloramine sampling completed and the study will be submitted to ODEQ. Survey is complete and we have begun the preliminary design for the chloramine conversion. We have finalized sizing calculations and are

working with equipment suppliers to include in the preliminary design. The City of Broken Arrow Permanent/Temporary Connections are still in review with the City of Broken Arrow.

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. Faulk referred the Board to The Business Manager's Report [Tab 2,] to review account balance figures as of the end of April.

The New Project Fund has a balance of \$775,091.41.

Oneta Energy update: April bill submitted for \$83,620.99.

The Reserve Fund has a balance of \$5,086,428.80.

Employee Reviews/Finance Committee Meeting.

PFAS class action lawsuit.

Mr. Thomas Faulk discussed that they had completed the employee's reviews and that they are asking to have the Finance Committee Meeting on May 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:30. While attending the recent ORWA conference, Rick and Thomas attended a meeting about the PFAS class action lawsuit. They decided to join this class action as a result of the additional testing and compliance that is being required by DEQ.

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

**Discussion and action on approval of Disbursement Request #27 for Daris Contractors for \$226,817.80 and Poe Engineering for \$15,507.60.**

Mr. Faulk referred the Board to [Tab 3]. Mr. Ryan Smith stated that this request is for work completed in March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024 through April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Ryan spoke up that these are all expenses related to the ongoing WWTP and there is a lot of progress being made but they had 4 construction weather delays during this time period. Pay Request #27 includes payment for Daris Contractors in the amount of \$226,817.80 and Poe Engineering for \$15,507.60. Mr. Chad Jester entered a Motion to approve pay request #27 for Daris Contractors for \$226,817.80 and Poe Engineering for \$15,507.60; Mr. Jim Self Entered a Second to the Motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Jim Self, yes; Mr. Gary Rogers, yes; Mr. Charles Stinnett yes; Mr. Terry Hurst, yes, Mr. Chad Jester, yes.

The Motion to approve pay request #27 for Daris Contractors for \$226,817.80 and Poe Engineering for \$15,507.60, stands approved as presented.

**Discussion and action on approval of pay request 1 for Oneta Rd. waterline project, 51<sup>st</sup> to 61<sup>st</sup>, for \$130,868.49.**

Mr. Faulk referred the Board to [Tab 4]. Mr. Ryan Smith stated that this is Pay request 1 reflects activities on this project from the start of the project through the first month of construction ending April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Pay Request #1 includes payment for MSB Construction in the amount of

\$130,868.49. Mr. Jim Self entered a Motion to approve pay request #1 for MSB Construction for \$130,868.49; Mr. Chad Jester Entered a Second to the Motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Jim Self, yes; Mr. Gary Rogers, yes; Mr. Charles Stinnett yes; Mr. Terry Hurst, yes, Mr. Chad Jester, yes.

The Motion to approve pay request #1 for MSB Construction for \$130,868.49, stands approved as presented.

**Discussion and review of Water Plant and distribution issues.**

Mr. Lang stated that other than the storms causing the outage this past month everything has been running well. Rick reported that the air conditioner in the main building went out this week and is costing \$6500.00 to replace and the air conditioner for the control room on the North & South Clearwell went out but they are repairing those and getting them back into service. He did not have anything else to report. There was no further discussion and no action required.

**Discussion and review of Waste Water Plant and collection issues.**

Mr. Lang stated that other than normal maintenance and a few grinder pumps going out he did not have anything else to report. No other issues arose and no action was required.

## **Discussion and review of Oneta Power Activity & Variances.**

The District's Business Manager, Mr. Thomas Faulk directed the Board's attention to Oneta activity variances [Tab 6]. 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 435,000,000 gallons as compared to the prior year figure of 374,000,000 gallons, reflecting variance of +16.3%; corresponding revenue for YTD was \$162,063.83 contrasted with \$138,795.07 for the prior year also, +16.8%.

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

## **Old Business.**

Mr. Rick Lang & Mr. Thomas Faulk discussed performance of District contractor. 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 reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting the agenda or any revised agenda.**

Mr. Thomas Faulk stated that there was no new business. No action was required.

### **Claims Lists.**

Mr. Faulk directed the Board to the Claims Lists [Tab 9]. Following the Board's review of the Claims Lists, Chairman Stinnett inquired as to any questions or discussion. Mr. Jim Self entered a Motion that the Claims List be approved; Mr. Gary Rogers Entered a Second to the Motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Jim Self, yes; Mr. Gary Rogers, yes; Mr. Charles Stinnett yes; Mr. Terry Hurst, yes, Mr. Chad Jester, yes.

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

### **Review of Investment Statement.**

Mr. Faulk referred the Board to the Investment Statement, [tab 10] to review the information.

As of April 26<sup>th</sup>, the aggregate value has shown a decrease in value from \$903,480.71 to \$890,822.32.

There was no further discussion and no action required.

### **Adjournment**

With no further business to conduct, Mr. Gary Rogers Entered a Motion to Adjourn the Meeting; Jim Self, Seconded the Motion. Roll call: Mr. Charles Stinnett, yes; Mr. Gary Rogers, yes; and Mr. Jim Self, yes; Mr. Terry Hurst, yes, Mr. Chad Jester, yes. The Motion to Adjourn at 7:43 PM stands approved.