

ROUND MOUNTAIN WATER & SANITATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
March 1, 2018

Board Members Present: Peggy Quint, Charles Bogle, Steve Lasswell, Randy Wilhelm, and Greg Smith

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: George Medaris, District Manager; Dave Schneider, CORC (Certified Operator in Responsible Charge); Herdis Sobel, Office Manager

Visitors Present: Trip McLaughlin from North Line GIS, Brittany Stwalley and Mike Brown from ESRI, Bob Fulton of Westcliffe, Tracy Ballard, Wet Mountain Tribune

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. by Peggy Quint.

Roll Call

Pledge Allegiance

GIS Presentation by ESRI & North Line GIS:

Brittany Stwalley started the presentation by giving an overview on how far GIS has come and how it is much more user friendly than in the past. GIS is used in a lot of the apps we use daily. The group spent the day gathering data and finding out how Round Mountain would be using GIS for tracking asset locations, maintenance schedules, and work-orders. Being able to share information with the Town's and County would also be beneficial. Mike did a map demonstration showing how to populate a map with hydrant locations, and Trip showed how to import information data and how to enter maintenance information on the locations put on the map. They talked about doing a phased approach. Starting out simple and adding components as time and money allowed. Brittany will be the point of contact for any questions. She will also provide the pricing when RM decides what they want to start with.

Additions to the Agenda for the Next Meeting: None

Public Input: Bob Fulton was glad he saw the GIS presentation and told the Board it is a powerful tool for operating a business. He also thanked the Board for their service to the community.

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Minutes for the February 1, 2018 Regular Board Meeting.
2. Approval of Minutes for the February 15, 2018 Regular Board Meeting.
3. Financial Reports and Approval of Checks.

Randy Wilhelm made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Charles Bogle seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Old Business:

1. Presentation of Revised Changes to Permitting Process

Manager Medaris provided the Board with copies of the revised Resolution and asked that they all review and submit their input/changes. He would also like to get input from the two Towns and the County Commissioners to see if a single building permit process for all could work.

2. Revision of Rates

Operations Manager Schneider is currently working on doing building evaluations to update the EQR's that will be implemented in the second part of the rate increase for the April billing on May 1st. There was some discussion on how best to inform the multi-users of their up-coming increase.

New Business:

1. Proposed Draft of Compliance Schedule

Manager Medaris went over the draft compliance schedule with the Board. This revision, dated 3/1/18, is for a Permit Modification Request.

District Manager Report:

1. Status of Funding for Wastewater Treatment Project

The Search Grant is finally closed and the \$16k is pending in our account. Manager Medaris will move forward now with the application for funding for our letter of conditions from the USDA-RM. Also, he will continue to apply for the mineral impact grants as they become available; the next one opens April 1, 2018.

2. Discussion regarding Dissolved Solids

One of the things that would help decide if treatment should be done before or after the system, would be to get some numbers on the amount and type of dissolved solids in our water vs the wastewater effluent. Operations Manger Schneider has contacted our testing facility to see about testing for volatile organic compounds, but they said that they were not equipped to perform those tests. The engineers are looking into testing facilities to see if anyone can do that kind of testing.

3. Discussion concerning Construction Phasing

Manager Medaris has had in-depth conversations with Randy Sackett regarding construction phasing which is a means of trying to speed up the building process wherever possible, for example, pre-buying materials. This needs to be done very carefully, as it can go badly without very close monitoring.

Manager Medaris presented a letter from a customer that has a leak and is asking for some relief on the bill for the sewer side because the leak is going into the ground and not into the sewer. Because this property has a residential rate, the sewer is capped at 5K. After some discussion the Board decided that this situation would not create a huge sewer bill but could for properties that will have their caps removed during the pending rate restructure. Since no policy exists for this situation, the Board asked that Mr. Medaris write a policy that addresses how leaks that do not go into the sewer system will be handled.

CORC Report:

Dave Schneider went over his CORC report; reporting on projects completed and ones coming up. His CORC report is on permanent file.

Both Steven Koch and Jackson Malcolm passed their certifications.

Core & Main did a training demonstration down in Canon City that introduced a newly designed pipe union that only has two bolts versus twenty-four bolts saving a significant amount of time, especially, in an emergency. It was decided that having clamps for 4", 6" & 8" pipes in inventory would be a good idea.

At 7:35 p.m., Peggy Quint, asked for a motion to go into Executive Session per §24-6-402 (4)(a), C.R.S., concerning real estate acquisition. Charles Bogle made a motion and Steve Lasswell seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

At 8:15 p.m., the Board resumed the Regular Board Meeting, and called for a recess until March 15, 2018 at 5:15.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Herdis Sobel