

Sylvan Lakes Metropolitan District Regular Meeting 12/2/2017 3:00 PM
Lake County Public Library - AMAX Room

Board Members Present:

Ginny Peros

Greg Conway

Irv Tracy

Phil Huval

Via phone Alan Agee

Attendees:

Jerry Vargo

Jeff Borek

Lance Hooper

Meeting called to order at 3:04

Alan called.

Motion to postpone minute approval until found. All approved.

Treasurer's report:

October Statement Balance: 11,641.49

Budget and accounting review for 2018

See packet attached

Greg asked about the Twin Lakes reimburse. We will begin to offer to pay the owners of the Twin Lakes water shares that we are allowed to use each year.

Priorities of the District are more towards water but we have left Mosquito/Fish line in to assist the POA.

Motion by Phil Huval to approve the budget as presented, Greg Seconded – unanimous ayes. All Board Members signed the budget.

Resolution to set Mill Levy:

Alan explained the process of how the mill levy is set.

Motion was made to accept and sign the Resolution to set Mill Levy by Ginny Peros, Greg seconded – any discussion. Jeff would like to say he is not happy with raising the mill levy even though the valuation has gone down. The district earns the same amount but the taxes are raised. All in favor. Resolution was signed.

Transparency Notice will be posted after corrections.

Greg asked Phil to review the insurance that we have and he said we have a very reasonable and appropriate insurance for our District.

Water:

Irv & Greg did a general report of how water worked this year and what the plans will be next year. We only paid for about 10 acre feet of water this year due to early "free" fill. This year we need to make a decision as to how much we will need to spend next year. We will file the SWSP, which is good for 5 years until we have to move into the 40K augmentation plan. We also need a stamped engineering plan for the perimeter of the lakes to accept Greg's study and figures, which might be a huge expense.

Homestake water comes in monthly and it is a use of lose water source. Criticality of Pueblo water is that we really don't know how scarce the water will be in the spring when we have to put a bid in in January. We have a contingency policy to not purchase water if it is too expensive and use that time to do repairs.

Greg is letting his head gate open this winter to see what happens. We don't pay for water in the winter as it is frozen but if there is water flowing it would be "free". The question is would there be problems if we left the head gate open? If culverts freeze and water over flows and causes damage could be an issue. If we put a heat tape through the culvert and put it on a generator or ask a close neighbor to plug it in it might help keep the water flowing. Might not be able to do it this year but we should all be watchful and see what happens.

Ginny made a motion that we let Greg open up Hartner gate 2- for ½ cfs - for the winter and have a neighborhood watch per se to watch for any emergencies or problems to see how the water flows this winter. We will discuss using heat tape next year when we know what the results were this winter. The intent is to oxygenate the water over the winter for the fish and to keep the water in the lakes full for the spring to help with water expenses. Irv seconded. All in Favor.

Gerry asked when we as a board might want to purchase those Twin Lakes Shares. They are a part of the future water augmentation budget.

Old Business:

Phil made a motion to adjourned at 4:15 Greg seconded, -all in favor

Next meeting will be at 3:00 PM at the Lake County Public Library in the Baby Doe Room – Saturday _____, 2018. TBA.