

Sylvan Lakes Metropolitan District Regular Meeting 2/1/2018 4:00 PM
Conference call meeting with meeting place at 1200 Lotus Lon in Sylvan Lakes

Board Members Present:

Ginny Peros – phone Glenwood Springs

Greg Conway at physical location in Sylvan Lakes

Irv Tracy -phone Colorado Springs

Phil Huval –phone Denver

Alan Agee – phone Colorado Springs

Attendees:

Meeting called to order at 4:00 all on the line

Motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Greg made a motion to accept, Phil seconded all approved

Treasurer's report:

AS of 12/31/17 we have 12,489.73 in the bank.

Alan has filed to DOLA: the budget for next year, the actual budget for this year, mill levy resolution

Greg made a motion to accept the Exemption from Audit. Phil seconded – all in favor. All approved to have Alan sign the form and turn it in.

Water:

Greg – Last year we used 18 acre feet. This year we have 27 acre feet giving us 12 acre feet not required to cover monthly evaporation charges from May thru October. Included in the 12 acre feet are 4.5 AF from Twin Lakes that must be used for refill only. Included in the remaining 12 acre feet is the MMTTC monthly excess water that is believed to be restricted to the month the excess is available. Carryover from month to month at this time is questionable. When we turn on the water in April or May we need to know if we are in pass-through mode. The lakes are not caving - so they appear to be full. He feels we do not need to lease water from Pueblo. Irv put out a thought that we would only be bidding for about 5 feet of water but it would keep us in the loop. It would give us the option to use Pueblo water vs. the Twin Lakes water. There is still an unknown when it comes to what water could be used for "carry-over". We're making a lot of presumptions. Can we use the water we have in the account now for re-fill so we know exactly what we can do? If we don't buy water and there is a shortage we could use that time to do repairs and projects in the system. We will find out if our strategy to keep the lakes full during the winter has worked so we do not need to fill and will just be in pass through mode. We want to make sure that people understand that the 23 or so feet we get from Mt Massive – 14 feet of that is for evaporative loss.

Irv indicated the main reason for bidding on PBWW water was to provide the flexibility to use PBWW water to refill the system first. If successful, PBWW bid water would allow for Twin Lakes water now in our account, to be saved until 2019. Second, due to the presumptions cave in may occur based on the seasons current outlook plus water restrictions listed above more water may be required. Third, based on the amount TZA showed for Twin Lakes last year (2.87 vs. 4.5 in the account now, the issue of which amount will prevail for this year is questionable. Last, given the possibility an April start date is desirable more water may be needed to cover evaporation charges.

If we have a low snow year – as it seems we are having now – and we don't get enough water to fill - it was discussed that we could use the time of low water levels to work on system repairs and improvements. We bid last year and did not need the water. This is all a learning process.

Ginny made a motion to not to bid for water from Pueblo. Greg seconded. All in favor with Irv objecting. Greg will let Steve Monson know.

Do any of our three sources of water carry over to the next year? We confuse the shares vs. uses. Mt. Massive/Homestake water does not carry over. Twin Lakes water does carry over. Leased water does not carry over. In a low water year Mt. Massive could potentially be forced to not give us water as they will be short.

SWSP will be submitted by March 1.

Election

Irv, Phil, and Ginny are up for election this year. Phil will be the new election official and will try to use Jerry's form from last election and run them by Jerry to make sure we make our deadlines. Phil needs the SDA password – he will call them to make sure we have all the proper forms.

We need to post the Transparency Notice for 2018. Alan has been working on it and will send it out via computer during the meeting for approval and it can be posted tomorrow.

We need to keep in mind when and how to begin the “permanent” Augmentation plan. Irv will put together a check list and ideas on how it might look. A discussion followed as to the stamped engineering plan that was deemed necessary. Greg's work could be authenticated and signed off on by TZA or another firm. It would save us thousands of dollars. Alan and Greg will have a conference call with TZA and approach them with the idea of signing off on Greg's measurements.

Phil made a motion to adjourned at 5:00 Greg seconded, -all in favor.

Next meeting TBA.

