

Forest Park Water Users Association
Board Meeting
Elkhorn Motel

Date: 10/9/2023

In Attendance: Tom Jandron, Andrea Pulido, Greg Lorenson. Solomon Redfern

Not Present: Andre Mace, Matt Dorrington, Danielle Redfield,

Called to order : 7:10pm

September minutes- corrections needed were made and they will be reviewed for approval again next month.

Report from QCO: Duncan

- Report – Water usage drop way off the last half of last month. We used 900,000 less than last year at the same time. (See attached report) Duncan will do a system flush and check for repair needs, adjust water levels for winter, winterize the system, and shut down well 2 for the winter. He will work on finding the valve for well 1, and find the valves for the other wells and mark them.
- Meters – Greg will look at the meters Duncan found to make a decision about whether or not we want to purchase them.
- Duncan will locate the utilities on Beaver lane next week for the work that needs to be done

President's Report

- Update from Jason on ARPA project: Bid dates set: Bids will be submitted to and opened at Triple Tree office at 1145 Cap Road, Helena. We (Triple Tree) planned to advertise in the Helena IR week after meeting; October 15, and 22nd, with an onsite pre-bid meeting on October 18th at 10am @ Mailboxes and bid opening on October 26th at 3pm. These dates will have to be adjusted – so that Solomon and Greg can be involved and check out some of the information.
 - **New planned dates:** pre bid and walk through week of 23th of October; week of Nov 13 will be bid opening.
 - We can add water main valve replacement at pre-bid meeting and attach request for bids.
 - Request draw for high pressure loop & Triple Tree fees
 - Tom continues to contact people involved in the ARPA process to finalize plans but is not getting responses from some of the people.
- New Business: Remove seasonal water meters by the 15th of October

Vice President's Report

- Water usage report – See QCO/Duncan report
- Water meter reading report – postponed, vice president was not able to come to the meeting tonight.

Treasure/ Financial

- Financial Committee/Report – (usually just report on the yearly audit)
- Bills signed for Payment: Quigley Creek Operations LLC \$2825.00; William Dorrington (meter reading) \$125.00; Energy Laboratories Inc \$3.00; Energy laboratories \$33.00; Chemical Montana Co \$275.60; Triple Tree Engineering \$1680.00; Northwestern Energy (multiple accounts) \$1,453.37
- Treasures Report
 - Financials
 - P&L/Balance sheet report – not all of the payments for last month had been deposited at the time of the report. Finances and balances are all good, no irregularities or questions.

Committee Reports:

- Water Committee (Greg and Solomon)

Website

- Update – Tom is continuing to work on getting website updated

Unfinished Business:

- ARPA: Briefly reviewed the work that will be done on our system and the information in the bid contracts (what needs to be added or changed). Greg will send changes to Tom and Solomon. Tom will get back to Jason (ARPA) with the information/changes this week.
- Review By-Laws: update Article XIII section 1; create final wording and submit to homeowners for changes. Postpone

New Business:

None at this time.

Additional information:

None at this time.

Meeting adjourned: 8:10pm

Next meeting: November 13, 2023

QUIGLEY CREEK OPERATORS

System: Forest Park Estates

Date: 10/9/23

Water usage:

The total flow through the treatment building for September was 1,014,614 total gallons for an average daily flow of 33,820 gallons. This is a large drop from last month by over 1 million total gallons used and is 900,000 gallons less used from this month last year. With the lower flows I am assuming that all outside irrigation for the year is complete.

Projects:

Now that the outside irrigation is done for the year I will do a full system flush in mid October. I will get a for sure list on what hydrants need repair and what are operating correctly for the board. I will also discontinue the monthly flush of beaver lane and spring hollow now that less water is being pumped which will lower the amount of sand into the system.

I will also be lowering the level in the upper tank to the "winter level". This will keep the water level low enough to reduce the risk of an ice layer forming inside the tank that can damage electrical wires. I will also be winterizing the upper and lower water buildings.

I have invested in an upgraded metal detector and I will be going back out to try and find the valves for well 1 and ensure all the other valves are marked with a T post that is painted blue on the top.

Sampling:

All sampling was completed without issue.