

# Mesa Cortina Water & Sanitation District

## Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, May 13, 4:30PM

36 Spring Beauty Drive

**Attendance**     **Board:** Randy Rehn, Stan Wagon, Greg O'Neill, Billy Jack, Jon Whinston  
**Others:** Jeff Leigh, District Manager; Kelsey Andersen, Assistant Manager; Michael Kurth, Bookkeeper, Robert Berghammer, Mountain Peaks Controls

**Meeting was called to order at 4:30PM**

**Minutes:**     ***A motion was made to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2021 meeting. Motion approved.***

**Financials:**     Financial reports through the end of March 31, 2021, were emailed to the Board. Year to date income is at \$99,583 and is \$6,884 below budget. Operating expenses are \$58,872 and is \$20,304 below budget. Operating year to date net income is \$40,711. YTD interest expense for the Alpine Bank Capital Loan is \$280.

**Business:**     -Rob Berghammer presented his proposal for an upgrade to the water alarm system. The current alarm system was installed several years ago and is in need of an update. The software currently in use is no longer compatible with the current operating system on the vault computer. The cost to update the current software would be in excess of \$2000. Rob is proposing that we move to a web-based system without having to maintain our own Scada computer and software. All future software and security updates are included in the monthly costs. The cost is \$1500 for setup and then \$70 per month.

-In the ensuing discussion it was determined that it is necessary for the current computer to be backed up by some means. It was also decided that Kelsey would make a current backup of the computer now and again, when the installation of the new system is completed.

**-Randy Rehn moved to conditionally approve moving forward with Rob's proposal for an upgrade to the alarm system contingent on review of the contract with price guarantee for 2-5 years. Jon seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

-Kelsey is currently working on regular scheduled water testing.

-It was noted that I&I for this year is very low compared to prior years and is not expected to be an issue.

-Tim Flynn completed his review and revision of the ORC contract.

**-Randy Rehn moved to conditionally approve completion of the service agreement with ORC through December 31, 2024. Jon seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

-Jeff informed the Board that there were 3 potential bidders that showed up at the pre-construction meeting. We have received one bid for the water line replacement project at \$805,000. The Board will need to determine if they want to move forward with this bid by June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

-There was discussion on the scope of the project and possibly doing the PRV (\$29K) and Hydrants (\$36K) at a different time to reduce project costs.

-Alpine Bank initialled offered to loan \$500k at approximately 3% for 15 years. Upon further discussion with the bank it seem as though they would be willing to finance up to the entire \$805K project costs.

-There was discussion on the amount of the project to finance with Alpine Bank and the amount that should be contributed by the District from reserve funds. After some discussion it was determined that the Board is willing to contribute \$200,000 toward the construction project. **Greg O'Neil moved that the District be willing to contribute \$200,000 toward the construction project cost. Randy seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

-There was some discussion of the tax exempt letter requirement and the amount of time that would be required to get that letter.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting is scheduled for June 1<sup>st</sup>, location to be determined.

**Adjourned at 5:23 PM**