

Big Mesa MDWCA

Minutes from January 11, 2025

BOD Attending: Jeff Mechenbier, Dave Artery, Jeff Strom, Steve Morgan, Steve Jones

Meeting called to order at 9:00 AM

The members recited the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

Minutes: Minutes of the December 2024, meeting was posted on the website and sent to members of the Board. There were no additions or corrections to the Draft Minutes.

Motion to approve Steve Jones, second Jeff Strom. Vote was Unanimous.

Treasure's Report: Jeff Strom reported total of all accounts as of December 31, 2024 was \$322,760.93. Misc. Trash Sales of \$185.00 and total bad debt collected \$21,567.08.

Motion to approve Dave Artery. Second Steve Jones. Vote was Unanimous.

Water Managers Report: Jay Allen reported total gallons pumped 452,900 with total gallons billed of 390,900. Microbiologic sample 12/9, 2024 was Absent. HAA5 was 29.4 and TTHM was 76.5. There were no installation and no lockout with no tampering fee imposed.

Motion to approve the Water Managers Report made by Jeff Strom, second Dave Artery. Vote was Unanimous.

Business Managers Report: Beate Merkert reported total amount billed for December was \$35,277.69 including \$495.88 in late fees, \$300 for reconnections, \$100 membership fee and \$500 for Water Service Fees. Monthly Expenses including payroll were \$44,074.03.

Motion to approve Office Managers Report Jeff Strom, second Dave Artery. Vote was Unanimous.

RAIL

- Big Mesa Capitol Projects- Jeff Mechenbier reported the Pre-Construction Meeting with Lancon is Friday the 24th at 12:00 with Lunch. OPEN

- Road Work by San Miguel County- Jeff met with the County Road Supervisor on Harbor Ave to discuss concerns regarding the condition of the roads. Follow up with the County Manager to confirm subcontractor Jake Jimenez for the upcoming road repairs. OPEN
- Work Barge- The Board discussed and will move forward with Dave Garcia to begin modifications to the pontoon platform. OPEN
- ISO Meeting- No Update. OPEN
- RIP LOAN- Contract to be Submitted. CLOSED
- Kelly McFarland changes- Beate has been happy with the responses she and Jeff Strom have received after our complaints of no responses. OPEN
- PCI Compliance- Beate has requested a letter from the Board. To be prepared. OPEN
- Request Bids for Audit-Ivonne has prepared a list of State Approved Auditors. With DeAun's assistance with form letter we will move forward with Request for Bids and selection. OPEN

NEW BUSINESS

- DFA Report- Kelly McFarland's adjustments will allow us to submit final figures and satisfy requirements. Motion to allow Beate permission to file upon receipt of McFarland corrections made by Jeff Strom, second Dave Artery. Vote was Unanimous. CLOSED
- Water Leak Forgiveness-Based on final calculation of request to forgive \$1365.86 of Trujillo leak. Motion Dave Artery, second Jeff Strom. Vote was Unanimous. CLOSED

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Meeting recess at 9:36. Executive Session convened at 9:37 Board discussed impending legal action and no action was taken. Executive Session Adjourned and Open Meeting resumed at 9:41

Motion to Adjourn 9:41 by Jeff Strom, second Steve Morgan. Vote Was Unanimous.