

El Creston Mutual Domestic Water Consumers' Association Board of Directors' Meeting

Thursday, May 1, 2014 7 PM.....49 Mirasol Rd., Ojitos Frios Ranches Subdivision

- 1. Call to order and proof of quorum:** The meeting was called to order by President, Joe Zebrowski at 7:05 PM. A quorum was established. In attendance: Ken King, Jim Peters, Mitch Barker, Joe Zebrowski, Gene Solyntjes, Ken King, Lupita Gonzales.
- 2. Proof of notice of minutes:** Flyers posted at regular places, Charlie's, and ELV Post Office.
- 3. Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve. Gene/Lupita
- 4. Approval of Previous meeting minutes:** April 3, 2014 minutes were amended: (a) # 9...insert words..."by the group with minor amendments." (b) Item I- MDWCA added to item 1....Motion made to approve as amended. Lupita/Gene...Motion carried.
- 5. Treasurer's Report:** The treasurer, being absent, Joe reported the following: Jim (Peters) has been assisting. We need to file a report on what our revenue has been. We have used \$10,000.00 toward planning and city discussions. Further discussion ensued: Re: 2nd Phase if monies are approved.
 - 1) Operating Revenue.**
 - 2) Maybe next year, if more funding is approved,** there will be an "agreed upon procedures" review based on our Capital Outlay expenditures. Next year there will likely need to be a need to hire an outside auditor.
 - 3) Agreed-upon Procedures:** Accounting will review to ensure that monies were properly expended. A key issue is paperwork. They will want to see a bank reconciliation with paperwork. The cost has not yet been determined. Our Association will need to get a bid. Jim will work further with Crystal on the process.
 - 4) Implications:** (1) Amount of money in account over \$50,000. (2) Tightening relations with El Valle will help consolidate costs and develop accounting and experience.
- 6. Old Business:-El /Creston- CLV Discussions:** Nothing new to report.
- 7. New Business:**
 - a) Consideration of entering into a Memorandum of Agreement For The Consolidation of Water Rights Between El Valle Water Alliance and Nine Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Associations:** 1) Ramon contacted Joe re: arranging for all members of El Valle to consolidate water rights. There is a need for ECMDWCA to pool water rights with El Valle- for leverage of water rights. We have to be able to show a package of water rights. We do have a memorandum of agreement with El Valle.
 - b) Review of current and planned funding applications. (b-i-1) Water Trust Board:** b-I 2012 is closed out and paperwork has been submitted. **(b-i-2)** 2013- Grant agreement will close May 16 (2014). The implication is that now the association will be allowed to spend monies on the well. The process is complicated, but all items are in order, and the association will be ready. **(b-i-3)** 2014- Our Association's application was submitted on time, and all readiness are submitted and in compliance. It is expected to be approved in June.

Discussion ensued on above:

Joe attended the April 23 WTB meeting and presented our association's project. The group was considering three major projects, re: CLV, including Bradner Dam.

(b-ii) Legislative Capital Outlay: \$8,950.00 of our \$10,000.00 has been invoiced. Souder-Miller has participated in the CLV discussions. Further discussion ensued re: formal documentation on 2013 Capital Outlay, but specific plans for 2014 are yet to be determined.

(b-iii) USDA-Application Status: Joe has submitted the application, but USDA needs to take further action. More detail is required, e.g. a letter of conditions, membership conditions, indications of impact, etc. Our Environmental Impact Report is good to go at this time.

c) Water System Phase I Update: After May 16 closing, a series of meetings will be held leading to the start of construction.

d) Water emergency update: Gene reported no further problems with water emergency.

e) Water hauling: There were twelve (12) deliveries in April, and we are still on track for average delivery rate.

f) Membership Drive Update: Our membership currently is at 59.

8) Review Action Items: Joe will bring a Resolution for El Valle Water Rights to next meeting (6/5/14).

9) Next meeting date: The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 5, 2014.

10) Adjournment: Motion to adjourn meeting 8:15 PM...Gene/Lupita...motion carried.

Respectively submitted: Lupita P. Gonzales, Secretary ECMDWCA