

**BANDERA RIVER RANCH WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION
BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 10, 2019 2:00 PM**

DIRECTORS PRESENT WERE:

Harry Maxwell Ernie DeWinne Steve Malone Wayne Mauldin

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Rod Goff John Schuetze Charlene Greenhill Jennifer DeWinne Jim Deeter
Joe Ortega Karen Antill

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Vice President Harry Maxwell at 2:00 PM, January 10, 2019.

MINUTES: Directors read the Minutes of the Meeting of December 13th, 2018.

MOTION: Ernie DeWinne made a motion to accept the Minutes of the December 13th meeting, as prepared. Wayne Mauldin seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to accept the Minutes, and the motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ernie DeWinne presented the financial reports of December, 2018 to the Board, noting that the Corporation continues to be in good financial shape. The Board and guests reviewed.

MOTION: Steve Malone made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Wayne Mauldin. The Board voted to accept the report unanimously, and the motion passed.

OPERATIONS REPORTS:

Field Operations: Joe Ortega reported that he had the pump pulled at well #5 to replace the airline, while doing this he found that the electrical line was spliced in (3) three places and had it replaced as well. Joe advised that they dropped the pump down (40) forty feet and is now at 426 feet. Joe reported that the airline is working great and is now getting good air level tests. Joe and his helper also repaired a service line leak in unit 2 and will be putting in a new tap in unit 5 for a new home later this month. Joe went over the water level and pumping report with the board and guests. Joe advised that he met with Reed from Aquatech regarding acidizing well #4 and he will get back with him later this month to set this up.

Class C Licensed Operator: Charlene Greenhill reported that the fourth quarter reports are complete. She is gathering well information for the Bandera County Groundwater District which is due on February 1st, the water audit is due March 1st, water loss is due May 1st, CCR's are due July 1st and the Condo report is complete. Charlene advised that she received an email that there may be changes on systems that have over 300 connections in June, which we are getting close too. Charlene advised that she received an email from Pittsburg Tank Tower Group which is a tank cleaning company and will forward it to the board to look into.

Office Operations: Karen Antill reported that she has completed all the quarterly reports, monthly reports, FUTA, W2's and 1099's. Karen advised that she spoke with Aaron Collier Tuesday and he apologized for not having the analysis of the water system ready for this month's board meeting and promised to have it completed prior to the February board meeting.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION & BOARD ACTION:

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Update on Plant #3 Project (pre-final inspection) and discuss BRRWSC portion of Plant #3 project. – Ernie DeWinne reported that the USDA inspection is delayed because of the government shutdown. Ernie will ask Bonnie to call Bob Thonhoff to set up a meeting with Hoover because we never had a problem with bubbles in the water since we switched to the new well. Joe reported that he hears air in the pressure tank, and others hear air in their showers in their homes. Ernie reported that everything is done except we are waiting for the road to dry up and get a final bid for the roadwork from Mr. Fulghum.
- B. Condo pressure tank project update – Joe reported that he started trenching for the plumbing at the condo well from the manifold to the pressure tank. Joe advised that the flange is 5 x 10 and won't match what he has so he has met with a welder and will change it out and have a new one welded Monday.
- C. Update on Condo Storage tank project – Ernie reported that Bonnie spoke with Thonhoff and he will be sending us a contract for the new condo storage tank soon. Ernie advised that closer to the delivery of the storage tank we need to coordinate with the demolition company to remove the old tank and look at moving the 5,000-gallon temporary tank and possibly buying a 2,500-gallon plastic potable tank to put with it for a total of 7,500 gallons as temporary storage while the new tank is being installed. The Board discussed additional fencing and possibly going to a 8' fence.
- D. Fire hydrant project – Ernie reported that he has a call into the fire chief in Bandera to come out and work with us on this and hasn't received a call back as of yet.
- E. Discuss TCEQ letter on operating permit and plans for corrections – Ernie advised that the letter from TCEQ that we received in August stated that we had a temporary operating permit and we had six months to remind TCEQ to check the water. Ernie advised that TCEQ came out in November and checked the water, and he was advised that the temporary operating permit is the final permit. Ernie advised that when he spoke with TCEQ he was told that the fluoride is within allowable parameters which is over 2 but under 4. The Board discussed and will have the fluoride level tested on all wells annually in June or July, the board agreed. No corrections needed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Discuss and approve Source Water Protection program – Tabled
- B. Smart meter system discussion – Ernie advised that he will finish filling out the checklist form for Ferguson next week and wait for their quote on the smart meter system.

- C. Discuss fluoride solution for Well #5 - No action needed as the fluoride level is within allowable parameters.
- D. Solar energy discussion - Steve Malone went over the quote with BEC regarding solar at treatment plant #2. Steve advised that the quote is \$78,000.00 with a payout of about 18 ½ years. Steve advised that we can't get the 30% subsidy that the government is offering to individuals. The Board and guests discussed batteries verses selling the power back and feels that the total cost is to great and hopes that when the government subsidy stops, the price of the panels will probably drop and we will revisit it in the future.
- E. Discuss tank cleaning proposal– Ernie advised that the Board signed the agreement with Ron Perrin Water Technologies for tank inspections. Ernie advised that we received their inspection report and the 50,000-gallon horizontal tank at plant #2 has 2-4” of sediment, the 200,000-gallon tank at plant #2 has 1-2” of sediment, and the 50,000-gallon tank at plant #1 has less than an inch of sediment. The Board discussed their recommendations and will look at the budget and see about cleaning one tank each year on a rotating basis.
- F. Discuss customer billing adjustment request – The Board discussed a customer that had a large water bill and found two breaks in their line, Joe advised that he inspected and it looks like they have been leaking for several months. The Board discussed and will adjust their bill using the previous four-month average, when all leaks are fixed.

MEMBERSHIP COMMENTS:

Two different guests advised that they are on the new well and are getting bubbles in their water which attach to the inside of the container for days and they are concerned and would like to see some kind of scientific or engineering expert to look at. The board advised that the engineers are aware of the air in the lines and all water tests have come back normal. The Board will address this again with the engineers. Ernie reminded the Board that our warranty with Hoover Construction will end in February so we need to get this addressed soon.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further comments, Harry Maxwell thanked those present for attending the meeting, and asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Wayne Mauldin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Steve Malone seconded the motion.

The Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 3 :15 PM.

BRRWSC PRESIDENT, BONNIE TIDBALL _____

BRRWSC SECRETARY/TREASURER, ERNIE DEWINNE _____