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The monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Fire Mountain Canal and Reservoir Company was called to order by President Luke at 7:30 pm. Directors present were Bill Houseweart, John Stroh, Dave Stiller, and Wes Spore. Also present were Merritt Denison, Trey Denison, Dan Bolton, Paul Schmucker, and Carl Roberts.

Wes S. motions the annual meeting minutes be approved as corrected, Dave S. seconds and the motion carries.

Dave S. motions the monthly meeting minutes be approved as corrected, Wes S. seconds and the motion carries.

Wes S. motions the treasurer's report be accepted, John S. seconds and the motion carries.

John S. motions the bills be paid, Dave S. seconds and the motion carries.

Wes S. motions the stock transfers be approved, Dave S. seconds and the motion carries.

**Superintendent Report:**

Merritt has no specific report but he will comment/discuss on the maintenance issues.

**Maintenance Report:**

Jay Creek siphon valve: the parts are in at Bolinger & Queen, John Norris will help supervise the installation; we will need a mobile welder as well. This valve will be installed this spring.

Dam Gates & Spillway: Belzona contractor will repair dam gates, spillway spauling, and spillway cavity repair; Tom Fowlds with the Bureau of Reclamation will be there when contractor is on site.

Automated Dam Gates: John Burgevin did preliminary work on this; potential fuel and time savings; no certain cost as yet.

Pitt Bridge: The Bureau of Reclamation is proposing a meeting with them, landowner, and FMC.

Leroux Creek siphon washout needs a new screw gate, this is a safety issue; we have screw gate at the dam that could be installed for approximately \$600, there is 8 to 10 hours of labor involved in this repair.

Patterson parshall needs to be replaced; hopefully the NFWCD will reimburse the canal for the cost of the parshall.

Sunshine Mesa bridge is a Delta County bridge, Delta County doesn't want the bridge and the Sunshine Mesa water company wants the bridge; discussions are ongoing between the water company and private users of the bridge.

Weed Spraying: General discussion on weed spraying, equipment needed, licenses needed, do Merritt and Trey have time to spray, etc. FMC has a spray rig but it needs repair, the equipment could be retrofitted to be pulled behind a vehicle for a cost of approximately \$1,500. Dave S. motions to have Trey attend applicator school, have FMC pay for the cost of the school, and to have Trey retrofit the existing spray tank for weed spraying, fire suppression and other uses the board deems necessary, Wes S. seconds and the motion carries. Discussion on "no spray" signs and organic certifications; does the Bureau of Reclamation have any recommendations?

Siphon Maintenance: The Bureau of Reclamation had not seen the Mike McGuire reports on Hubbard Creek and Jay Creek siphons; the Bureau wanted copies of the reports. Trey mentions the Hubbard Creek siphon is hardly leaking, the drain valve works but the railroad covered the drain. Wes S. discusses having professional inspections on siphons on a cyclical basis. Consensus of the board is to have the Bureau of Reclamation inspect the Hubbard Creek and Jay Creek siphons asap, and to get McGuire to work on Jay Creek siphon. Wes S. motions to get McGuire to work on Jay Creek siphon at McGuire's \$2,200 bid price, Dave S. seconds and the motion carries. Wes S. motions to have McGuire look at Hubbard Creek siphon in the spring 2009 and the Leroux Creek siphon in the fall 2009, Dave S. and the motion carries.

Terror Creek: Sealing of 100 feet of the concrete at Terror Creek would cost between \$3,000 and \$3,500 dollars, the sealer is not UV resistant so the sealant must be covered. Also, the concrete must be clean and dry. Wes S. will call the belzona people and see if they have a product for this application.

Ditch Cleaning: The entire ditch will be cleaned; possible issue with spoils on the ditch bank in certain areas.

Headgate Rebuild/Replace: From Bowie to Garvin many headgates need work; Trey estimates approximately \$2,000 worth of work.

Leroux Creek Trash Rack: Paul Schmucker said they are waiting on the weather/drying conditions to proceed with the trash rack.

Other Business:

The RMWDA board will attend the 3/12/2009 meeting to discuss a tentative water turn on date.

The board will now require Merritt and Trey to maintain daily activity and mileage logs.

Sedimentation Study: Bruce Marvin is 35% percent complete with phase I of the study. Secretary Randy has submitted all paperwork to the state for payment.

Map of the Canal: Wes S. is working with Dave Kanser of the CRWCD to produce a map of the canal.

John McClow Endorsement: General discussion on FMC board endorsing John McClow for a seat on the CWCB. Wes S. motions to have FMC endorse John McClow for a seat on the CWCB, Dave S. seconds and the motion carries. Dixie L. will write the endorsement letter.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Randall W. Fisher', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Randall W. Fisher, Secretary