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February 9, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Fire Mountain Canal and Reservoir Company was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Dixie Luke. Directors present were Bill Houseweart, Dan Robinson, Ron Smith, and Wes Spore. Also present were Steve Fletcher, Jeff Armstrong, and Randy Fisher.

Bill H. motions and Ron S. seconds the 01/19/2017 annual meeting minutes be approved as corrected and the motions carries.

Ron S. motions and Wes S. seconds the 01/19/2017 monthly meeting minutes be approved as corrected and the motion carries.

Wes S. motions and Dan R. seconds to approve the treasurer report and the motion carries.

Bill H. motions and Ron S. seconds to pay the bills and the motion carries.

Wes S. motions and Dan R. seconds to approve the transfers and the motion carries.

**SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:**

--Steve reported the reservoir elevation is 6,388.62 with 37 cfs entering the reservoir and 43 cfs being released from the reservoir.

--Snotel report for the Paonia group is 152%, Gunnison Basin 162%, Schofield Pass 169%, and Taylor Watershed 231%.

--The Bureau of Reclamation, Army Corps of Engineers, and CO Department of Wildlife met on 02/15/2017 to discuss the bulkhead removal project schedule for this fall.

--The LCPP public scoping meeting was held on 02/02/2017; Steve thought the meeting went well and was informative to the attendees. Most concerns are regarding return flows, tail water, clean up, and seeding.

--Steve met with the Bureau regarding the LCPP budget; the budget is high in some areas and low in other areas; a good but tight project budget.

--The RCPP funding plan has \$126k dollars for SCADA at several areas along the canal. Steve would like SCADA on the new Leroux Creek siphon that would communicate with the Leroux Creek diversion structure.

--Steve sent the Bureau a proposed budget for re-scoping the balance of the Leroux Creek Diversion Project grant funds for up to seven flap gates along the canal. The Durango Bureau office approved of the re-scoping and has sent the budget to the Bureau Denver office for final approval. Wes S. motions to approve the re-scoping budget Dan R. seconds and the motions carries.

--The Paonia Project Emergency Action Plan is moving forward; Steve met with Delta County commissioner Mark Roeber and Emergency Coordinator Jeff Wright.

Steve, Bill M. and Travis are attending a pesticide management workshop on 02/15 and 02/16; the workshop is sponsored by the Tri River Extension

END SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Dixie discussed the Gunnison Basin Round Table meeting: The Denver NRCS office did a presentation of proposed additional SNOTEL sites; a Kebler Pass site was discussed as well as a Deep Creek site.

The GBRT also discussed potential conflicts of interests with GRBT board members sitting on other boards.

The NFWCD is looking for a new secretary.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dan R. motions to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 pm, Ron S. seconds and the motion carries.

The next board meeting will be on March 9, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Randall W. Fisher, Secretary-Treasurer