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The regular 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, John Stroh, Dan Robinson, Bill Houseweart and Wes Spore. Trey Denison and Susan Raymond were also present.

Wes S. motions the 04/14/11 minutes be approved as read, Dan R. seconds and the motion carries.

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

Dan R. motions that the bills be paid, John S. seconds and the motion carries.

Wes S. motions that the transfers be approved, John S. seconds and the motion carries.

Superintendent Report:

Trey discussed issues at the reservoir and reported the following maintenance items:

--Reservoir runoff into the spillway indicates that repairs are needed to the spillway floor and walls. This repair is on the repair and maintenance list from the inspection last year.

--The roof of the reservoir building is leaking and the door and doorway also leak when it rains. These areas of the building need repair.

--The chain link fence needs replacing and Trey would like to enlarge the fenced area to include the spillway crossing. The Bureau of Reclamation will provide the gates and Fire Mountain Canal would install them.

--Scott and Trey will handle the removal of vegetation from the face of the dam.

--The state hydrologist would like Fire Mountain Canal to remove a rock from the streambed that is affecting water measurement. Trey said the coffer dam at the measurement site also needs repair.

--Trey will look into getting bids for 40' vertical feet of elevator work, the chain link fencing and spillway repairs.

Dan R. offered to look into methods of relieving and correcting the humidity and ventilation problems at the reservoir.

--Trey will attend the North Fork Water Conservancy District meeting on Tuesday May 17, 2011.

--Trey reported it is time to paint and coat the structures (ie headgates, fences etc) and to begin weed spraying.

--The automated gate control system still has a few minor problems and Brian Mitchem of Mountain Peak Controls has been working at the reservoir to resolve them. The controls for Bear Creek are fine and they are working on a "dialer" that will call Trey's cell phone with high water and low water warnings at the Bear Creek dump gate.

--Trey discussed that the Colorado Div of Wildlife would like to put a fish screen in at the headgate. No decision was made but Trey told the DOW representative that the Bureau of Reclamation would design the screen and the design must greatly reduce the sediment intake as well.

--Trey worked on the Leroux Creek diversion and repaired a flood wall.

--Rundle Construction had cut a fence line encroaching on the ditch easement on property North of Barrow Mesa owned by Bill Koch of Bear Ranch. Mr. Koch recently purchased this property from Tom Alvey. Trey met with Rundle Construction and the ranch manager for Bill Koch regarding the encroachment and Rundle Construction corrected the problem.

--Trey reported that letters had been sent to some shareholders on the subjects of closed gates, easement encroachments, filling of natural drainages and, in one case, of the head ditch on the property being of higher elevation than the parshall flume.

OLD BUSINESS:

1) Policy review: Dixie suggested that the Board work on a draft weed policy for more discussion at the June meeting. The eventual goal is to have written policies on at least weeds, bridges, wastewater and encroachments.

2) Weed policy: Wes S. stated that any policies considered should follow a general outline to include the purpose, adoption date and that any revisions would also need to show an adoption date. Dan R. offered some comments on general phrasing for any policies considered.

3) Internet access: Wes S. motions to install Hughes.net satellite at the reservoir with a one year commitment. The cost would be a \$99.00 fee for installation and \$140 per month for the service connection. John S. seconds and the motion carries.

There was a general discussion on ditch operations and policies.

NEW BUSINESS:

1) CRWD will hold a "state of the river" meeting on June 30, 2011 at the Montrose Holiday Inn at 6:30 PM.

2) 20,000 AF of water ran through the reservoir in April.

3) Dixie had a discussion with NRCS about keeping Fire Mountain Canal in the information loop regarding irrigation projects.

4) Realtor Gary Hubble sent "kudos" to Fire Mountain Canal regarding the website stating that he found the website very informative and wishing that other ditch companies would develop websites like the one Fire Mountain Canal has developed.

Wes S. motions that the meeting be adjourned at 10:30 PM, Dan R. seconds and the motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,



Randall W. Fisher
Secretary-Treasurer