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June 14, 2012

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 Wes Spore, John Stroh, Bill Houseweart and Dan Robinson. Also present were Trey Denison, Bill Moore and Randy Fisher.

Wes S. motions and Dan R. seconds the 05/10/2012 meeting minutes be approved as corrected and the motion carries.

Wes S. motions and Bill H. seconds the treasurers report be approved and the motion carries.

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

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

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

--Trey reported the reservoir spilled approximately 7,000 acre feet of water.

--Susan Raymond discussed the pond at the Bradley project with the NRCS and Trey reported that NRCS piped the project per the drawings.

--Trey reported seepage and leaks that are not new, but more apparent due to lack of muddy waters sealing the ditch;

--A drain was installed at Coal Road to keep the hillside dry.

--Trey met with Tim Randle of the Bureau of Reclamation regarding sedimentation at the reservoir and Trey will attend the BOR sponsored sedimentation workshop July 10-12.

--Bureau of Reclamation representatives came to look at the Garvin Mesa slide and will install survey points for continued monitoring.

--Trey stated that he is still trying to set up a meeting with Ralph Clark of Delta County and the Bureau of Reclamation regarding the Garvin Mesa culverts.

--Trey stated that he and Bill are improving the low freeboard areas.

--Trey and Bill have done backhoe maintenance; 163 hours of use since purchase.

Dixie reports having received several calls from orchard owners asking for reduced canal flows to save water for later in the season. Reducing flows saves water for one to two weeks. Reducing the flow to to 90%, delivers 85% of the water, reducing to 75%, delivers 70% and increases the shrinkage. Board consensus is to run the canal at 100% until the water is gone and orchard owners have been advised to store water in ponds or cisterns if possible.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) Trey and Dixie attended a meeting regarding the Somerset headgate with Cary Denison, the Delta Soil Conservation District and the engineering firm hired to design the headgate.
- 2) Trey will attend the sedimentation workshop July 10-12, and the Board rescheduled the July meeting to be held on July 5, 2012.
- 3) The priorities for operations and maintenance funding from the Colorado River Storage Project funds handled by the Bureau of Reclamation were itemized as follows:
For the ditch:
 - a) Concrete repair to siphons as most need repairs to the aprons and bottoms
 - b) Clay lining at Terror Creek
 - c) A plan to control burrowing animals along the canal
 - d) A plan to control vegetation overgrowth of elms and cottonwoods
 - e) Canal modernization with remote monitoringFor the dam:
 - a) Spillway concrete repair,
 - b) Elevator structure repair,
 - c) Repair or replace brass gate guide;
 - d) Air evacuation at the dam gate chamber is needed to allow further draw down of reservoir without cavitation.
 - e) To power suction of sediment with hydro power,
 - f) Stilling basin concrete repair (no rebar showing yet).
- 4) Wes S. and Randy F. to work on a salt load worksheet from the Pre FOA workshop led by John Sottolare to qualify for grant funds for the FOA application.
- 5) The 50th anniversary celebration of the Paonia Reservoir will be held August 6, 2012 at 6:30 PM at Memorial Hall preceded by a roundtable meeting at 2:30 PM.
- 6) A copy of the Bureau of Reclamation agreement with the Hillyards for the new crossing and utility lines had not yet been received for review.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) If augmentation water is available the Board is open to lease water to the mines for one year at \$229 per acre foot.
- 2) Proposed ballot initiatives dealing with water appropriation were discussed.
- 3) David Inouye's concern about canal seepage was discussed; he will be installing a drain system to keep moisture out of his house.

Wes S. motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 PM, Dan R. seconds and the motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,



Randall W. Fisher,
Secretary-Treasurer