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14 August 2014

The regular monthly meeting of the Fire Mountain Canal and Reservoir Company was called to order at 7:30 PM by President Dixie Luke. Directors present were Bill Houseweart, Wes Spore, John Stroh, and Dan Robinson. Also present were Trey Denison, Ron Smith, and Randy Fisher.

John S. motions and Wes S. seconds the July meeting minutes be approved as corrected and the motion carries.

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

Wes S. motions and Bill H. seconds the bills be paid and the motion carries.

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

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

--Trey reported the reservoir is at 2/3 capacity and estimates 29 days of irrigation water at full pull but said rain will extend the season.

--Trey stated the weeds on the canal have been controlled with spot spraying and mechanical removal so far this year; Trey and Bill do not think hiring a commercial sprayer is needed this fall.

--Trey and Bill have been working on woody vegetation removal at Lost Lake and at the Paonia Reservoir.

--Nick and Tyler have completed bridge repair and maintenance, wasteway repair and maintenance, and weed removal.

--Bill has been working on canal freeboard and on the overflows at Jay Creek and Hubbard Creek.

--Trey stated public use of the operations and maintenance roads has increased, especially in the Paonia area. He is trying to keep up with sign removal and will attempt to place signs more permanently.

--There was a cloud burst at Bowie mine but no reported damage. The collection ponds had been emptied the day before but the storm filled the ponds.

--Jeff Roop removed a cedar tree from the canal.

--Trey would like to rerun the "Not" ad in the High Country Shopper with possible additional exposure through realtors, Chambers of Commerce, Paonia.com home page and KVNf. (The "Not" ad notifies the public that canal property is not open for recreation).

--Trey said Bob Stechert had installed an automatic gate, solving the locked gate problem on the extension canal.

--The Bureau of Reclamation grant contract for the Leroux Creek Diversion was signed by Secretary Randy Fisher on July 7, 2014.

--The RCCP-CCA will be meeting at the Delta (NRCS) USDA service center on August 19, 2014 to discuss matching fund potential for projects.

--Canal spoils can be used as fill dirt for the RMWDA Slack and Patterson projects.

--Trey stated transit loss is at an all-time low and that the backhoe and roller attachment have helped a great deal.

OLD BUSINESS:

1) Dixie, Bill, Wes, Trey, and Randy met with consultant Dan Crabtree on July 23, 2014 to help move forward with renewing the NFWCD contract.

2) Randy discussed the emails and conversations he has had with Kirsten Kurath of Williams, Turner and Holmes regarding the FMC contract with NFWCD.

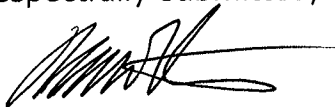
NEW BUSINESS:

1) The Board discussed a petition received and being open to new non-voting members. The Board will revisit the non-voting member issue at the annual meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dan R. motions to adjourn the meeting at 9:30pm, John S. seconds and the motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,



Randall W. Fisher, Secretary-Treasurer