

Rural Water District No. 1
Ellsworth County, Kansas a/k/a Post Rock Rural Water District
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
August 16, 2022

At 6:38 pm, Chairman Martin Bland noting a quorum called the regular board meeting to order.

Roll Call: Directors present were Martin Bland, Butch Teppe, Kayla Errebo, Jon Wright, John Dolezal, and Howard Wehrman. Ralph Larson attended via phone.

Directors not Present: Brad Miller and Joel Christy.

Others Present: Leslee Rivarola (Virtual), Doug Janssen, and Kendra Neuman in the District Office.

Guests: None

At 6:39 pm, Chairman Bland called for a motion to approve the consent agenda. Vice Chairman Wright made a motion to approve the consent agenda as written. Seconded by Director Dolezal. Motion carried.

At 6:44 pm, Chairman Bland called for Item #4 on the agenda. Director Errebo called for a motion to approve the bills. Director Errebo made a motion to pay the bills, not to exceed the amount of \$194,598.59. Seconded by Director Wright. Motion carried.

At 7:00 pm, Chairman Bland called for Item #5 on the agenda. Mr. Janssen presented current costs for Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance and the cost of Medicare for employees and their spouses. He asked the board to extend the Health Reimbursement plan to include both employees and/or spouses. Director Teppe asked to hand this item off to Ms. Rivarola. He would like her to extensively research the topic and present her findings to the Board of Directors during the September meeting. All board members present agreed. No action was taken.

At 7:08 pm, Chairman Bland called for Item #6 on the agenda. Mr. Janssen forwarded an email to all board members containing the Russell Supply of Water Agreement. The Supplemental Agreement had been reviewed and returned with notes and changes by the City of Russell. Both Chairman Bland and Director Teppe recommended that a lawyer be present before any discussion on the matter is started. Ms. Rivarola will contact Post Rock's lawyer to see if he can attend next month's meeting. The issue was tabled for the September meeting.

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At 7:13 pm, Chairman Bland called for Item #7 on the agenda. Mr. Janssen presented the General Manager's report along with the Distribution and Plant reports. Ms. Neuman presented the Office Manager's report. Secretary/Treasurer Larson presented the Board Member Report. Secretary/Treasurer Larson checked in with the North Central Regional Planning Commission in Beloit. He noted that there are grants that could be available to the district to study the feasibility of connecting to Mitchell County. All board members present agreed the grants need to be researched. Chairman Bland appointed Secretary/Treasurer Larson to the project.

Director Errebo left the meeting at 7:15 pm.

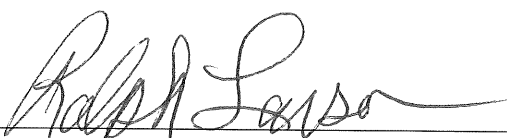
At 8:19 pm, Director Wright called for Executive Session for fifteen (15) minutes to discuss non-elected personnel pursuant to K.S.A 75-4319(b) (1); to include all board members present and Ms. Rivarola and Mr. Janssen. Seconded by Director Teppe. Motion carried.

At 8:37 pm, the Board of Directors went back into open session, and Director Wright made a motion to extend the executive session for 15 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel pursuant to K.S.A 75-4319(b) (1); with the justification being to discuss the performance and or discipline of individual non-elected employees of the District, to include all board members present, Ms. Rivarola, and Doug Janssen. Seconded by Director Teppe. Motion carried. The official start time was 8:40 pm due to Director Larson dropping from the call. The Board of Directors reconvened in open session at 8:55 pm with no action taken.

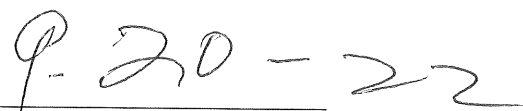
At 8:57 pm, Director Dolezal made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Vice Chairman Wright. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:57 pm.

Respectively Submitted:



Ralph Larson, Secretary/Treasurer



Date