Rural Water District No. 1 Ellsworth County, Kansas a/k/a Post Rock Rural Water District Regular Board Meeting Minutes May 19, 2020

At 6:35 pm, Chairman Brad Miller noting a quorum called the regular board meeting to order.

Directors present were Brad Miller, Ralph Larson, Martin Bland, Howard Wehrman, Butch Teppe, and Kayla Errebo (at the District Office) Dave Gorrell, and Joel Christy (virtually).

Directors not Present:

Others Present: Leslee Rivarola, (virtually) and Sharon Condit (in the District Office)

Guest: Jim Stewart, Elliott Insurance Group (virtually)

At 6:50 pm, Chairman Miller called for a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Director Bland made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Seconded by Secretary/Treasurer Errebo. Motion carried by roll call vote.

At 6:55 pm, Chairman Miller called for the financial report. Before presenting the financial report, Ms. Condit brought to the Board of Director's attention two invoices that needed board approval. Ms. Condit reviewed the Schwab-Eaton invoice for charges from February 2020 to April 2020. The decision to pay the invoice was tabled to next month's meeting. The other invoice was from Triple T Trenching. This invoice was also tabled until Chairman received further explanation of the situation that incurred the invoice. Ms. Condit requested the financial report be approved as presented and to pay the bills not to exceed the amount of \$105,917.94. Chairman Miller called for a motion to approve the bills. Director Wehrman made a motion to approve the financial report and to pay the bills not to exceed the amount of \$105,917.94. Seconded by Director Teppe. Motion carried by roll call vote.

At 7:10 pm, Chairman Miller called for Item number 4 on the agenda. Mr. Jim Stewart from Elliott Insurance Group introduced himself. Mr. Stewart explained the increase in the premium is due to the property values being undervalued on the 2019-2020 policy. After a brief question and answer session, the decision was made to ask the District's engineer to review the updated Replacement Cost Property Proposal from EMC. Upon review by the engineer, the proposal would be resubmitted to EMC for review and adjustment of replacement cost values.

Mr. Jim Stewart departed the meeting at 7:30 pm.

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At 7:31 pm, Chairman Miller called for Item number 3 on the agenda. Ms. Rivarola briefed the board of directors on the conversation with Mr. Dana Grauerholz and the plan offered by Mr. Grauerholz. After a brief discussion of the plans that were presented by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas, Chairman Miller called for a motion to approve one of the plans. Secretary/Treasurer Errebo made a motion to accept and approve the Gold Plan offered by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas and if an employee has met his/her deductible by the end of May2020, the District will reimburse the employee upon the employee presenting the Explanation of Benefit (EOB). Seconded by Director Teppe. Motion carried by roll call vote.

At 8:00 pm, Chairman Miller called for Item number 6 on the agenda. After a brief discussion on the four (4) day ten-hour (10) work week plan for the Distribution Department, Chairman Miller called for a motion. Vice Chairman Gorrell made a motion to initiate the four-day ten-hour work week for the Distribution Department on a 90-day trial plan. Seconded by Secretary/Treasurer Errebo. Chairman Miller called for roll call vote. Directors Larson, Teppe, Christy, Vice Chairman Gorrell and Secretary/Treasurer Errebo voted yes. Director Bland voted no and Director Wehrman abstained. Motion passed.

At 8:30 pm, Chairman Miller called for Item number 5 on the agenda. Ms. Condit explained the Adoption of Hazard Mitigation Plan was a project that was started by Mr. Hlad. She explained, the District would need to adopt a resolution for each region that the District serves and participate in the four region programs to quality for FEMA funds. The regions are B, D, E, F and G. (Attachment A) Chairman Miller appointed Director Teppe as the liaison to represent the District. Director Larson made a motion to accept the appointment of Director Teppe to serve as the liaison to represent the District. Seconded by Director Wehrman. Motion carried by roll call vote.

At 8:40 pm, Chairman Miller requested that Ms. Rivarola address the Board of Directors with an update on the City of Bunker Hill, the City of Lucas, and the J-Six Project. Ms. Rivarola informed the board that neither she nor Mr. Funk have an update from the City of Bunker Hill. An agreement has been sent to the City of Lucas, but with no response from the City of Lucas.

After a brief discussion as to who would prepare, sign and send the easements to the landowners in McPherson and Ellsworth Counties, it was decided that the easements would be prepared by Mr. Luckman or Mr. Kurtz and that Ms. Rivarola would sign the letter that would accompany the easements. The easements and the letters would be mailed to the landowners in McPherson and Ellsworth Counties. Chairman Miller called for a motion on the above discussion. Vice Chairman Gorrell made a motion that Mr. Luckman or Mr. Kurtz would prepare the easements, the letter to accompany the easements and that Ms. Rivarola would sign the letter as a representative of the District. Seconded by Director Teppe. Motion carried by roll call vote.

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Ms. Rivarola gave a brief update on the SRF Program and the information that was sent by Mr. William Carr. She explained the District is available for funding; however, to qualify for funding the application(s) would need to be submitted to Mr. Carr no later than June 30, 2020. Chairman Miller requested that Director Christy work with Ms. Rivarola, the District's engineer, and the Ranson Group to prepare a plan and complete the funding application(s).

At 9:30 pm, Chairman Miller requested that Director Christy give a report on the progress with the pump situation at the Raw Water Station. Director Christy reported they found the wiring was bad and the motor was burned out. They have located a motor in Lubbock, Texas, and they feel the motor would work for the raw water station. He briefed the board on the discussion of the different types of pipe that could be used when reinstalling the pump, motor, and the wire. He indicated the cost of the project could be more than originally approved; however, he did not request addition funds, at this time. No action required on this project, at this time.

At 10:15 pm, with no other business to be brought before the Board of Directors, Chairman Miller called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Director Wehrman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Director Larson.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 pm.

Respectively submitted:

Kayla Errebo, Secretary/Treasurer

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