

**GREATER RAMSEY WATER DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING**

July 8, 2021

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Jay Klemetsrud, Les Windjue, Paul Becker, Allen Johnson, Gilbert Black, Doug Mohr, David Hovendick

OTHERS PRESENT: Nels Halgren, Sally Herda – GRWD

The meeting was called to order at 8 a.m. by President Becker at the District office.

Minutes from the June 10, 2021 regular meeting were reviewed. Motion by Mohr, seconded by Klemetsrud to approve the minutes. All directors voted aye and **motion carried.**

Manager Report

- **South tower inspection video** – Larry Kirschmann, Bartlett & West performed an interior inspection on the south tower using a submarine camera drone. Video of the inspection was viewed by the directors and showed some areas of concern. Inspection report will be forthcoming.
- **Construction/developer policy/pipe installed to date** – Halgren, Mohr and Windjue met with Dakota Shores developers Ron Walford and Mike Ludwig regarding a request to add line to serve additional lots. Map of this area was viewed. Cost to run line from Highway 19 to serve the subdivision is approximately \$50,000. Motion by Mohr, seconded by Windjue to participate in a \$3,000 cost share per signup in Dakota Shores, authorizing up to 8 memberships with credit being given for 2 memberships to date. All directors voted aye and **motion carried.** Once work is completed and lines are placed into service, 30 days will be given for memberships to be completed.

Approximately 2500 feet of line has been installed in Ackerman Valley 1st Addition. Looping has not been completed. Construction has not started in the commercial area.

- **Sprayer season discussion** – Placement of the valve near Garske has helped with the north flow. The lines to the south portion of the system have been maxed out this year and sales to Tri-County have been limited due to GRWD’s own demand for water. GRWD is receiving the maximum allowed from the City of Devils Lake and has had a few days of nearly 1 million gallons or more from the treatment plant. Overall, fewer calls have been received this year for low pressure with adjustments that were made to handle this year’s demand.
- **Neptune cloud portal review** – GRWD has converted the meter reading system over to the Neptune 360 format and an overview of the on-line portal was given.
- **Scooby’s lagoon** – Pictures of the west cell were shown to the directors. This cell was cleaned, will be packed, then filled. A rock spillway was built for dumping waste from septic tanks on the west side, saving cost of dumping into the city lagoon.
- **COSA study update** – The kickoff meeting for the COSA will be held on Wednesday, July 21 at 9 am at the District office.

Office Manager Report

- **Accounts Payable** – Motion by Johnson, seconded by Hovendick to authorize payment of the June bills. **All directors voted aye and motion carried.**

	<u>WATER</u>	<u>SEWER</u>
TOTALS	121,481.05	17,353.44

- **Financial report**– Financial report for June was reviewed. Motion by Mohr seconded by Black to approve the report. All directors voted aye and **motion carried**.
- **CDs due** – Only 2 banks offered a rate for renewal funds. Motion by Mohr, seconded by Black to renew \$600,000 for 18 months at American Bank Center and not renew the July 19, 2021 CD. All directors voted aye and **motion carried**. Checking and money market balances and interest rates were discussed. Motion by Mohr, seconded by Hovendick to move funds from the Western money market account into checking with approximately \$100,000 to remain in the money market account. **Motion carried**.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned by motion at 9:35 a.m.

Minutes Approved: _____ August 5, 2021 _____

Paul Becker, President _____ (signed) _____

Sally Herda, Office Manager _____ (signed) _____