RAINBOW VALLEY WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

April 8, 2025 Woodland Park Library, Woodland Park, CO 80863

Rick Ritchie called the meeting to order at 4:03 pm. Members present: Rick, Dominick, Brian & Helen. Kirt had an excused absence. Eric Walker was also present.

A motion was made by Rick, 2nd by Brian to approve the minutes of the March meeting. The motion carried.

Operations: The 2005 truck problem appears to be the differential is falling apart, Estimated repair cost is \$11,400. Rick will pay the \$4500 deposit to McCandless tomorrow. While the truck is there, we will have them complete the brake repairs using the parts we have already purchased. The computer at the plant crashed so Eric was not able to do his MOD reports as planned. Rick thinks he has a work around for the computer problem, assuming it is a driver issue. It was decided that we will try a larger fitting for the leaking tank which will mean we cut out the area where the crack is. We have ordered and will be using bicarb again until after the inspection and then will request permission to use soda ash instead. Eric suggested we consider a different pony pump for the 2025 truck that would pump the water into the cisterns faster. The pump on the old truck pumps at almost double the rate of the one on the new truck. The new heat line for the transfer pipe is here but is not yet installed in the transfer line. The plant sanitation inspection is now scheduled for April 29th. The flock has been cleaned from 5 of the 6 the storage tanks thus far.

The finances were reviewed. Brian made the motion to approve payments of the current accounts, 2nd by Dominick. Motion carried.

The public meeting regarding the proposed rate increases is scheduled for April 29th at the Board Room of the Woodland Park Library at 4:30 pm. The board narrowed the field of applicants for the driver position to four, two of those Dominick will attempt to contact by text. Following that, interviews can be scheduled for the remaining candidates. Rick presented the proposal from Inland Potable Services in the amount of \$3150 to clean the clear well. Motion was made by Rick, 2nd by Brian to approve the bid and schedule the cleaning for ASAP. We will look into the grant opportunity for a plant upgrade for containment of plant waste discharge.

Rick reviewed his explanation of valve operation and head pressure with the board. He also said he needed to further explain those issues to Eric as well.

A motion to adjourn made by Rick, 2nd by Dominick. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm.