

RAINBOW VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

July 8, 2025

Woodland Park Library, Woodland Park, CO 80863

President Helen Freed called the meeting to order at 4:04 pm. Members present: Helen Freed, Dominick Luppino, and Rick Ritchie. Brian Etherton and Kirt Carpenter had excused absences. No Guests were present. Tanner Coy arrived just after the meeting was adjourned and a short discussion occurred relating to the pending agreement between the water district and the ranch owners.

The minutes from the last meeting were presented. Rick made a motion to approve the minutes, Dominick 2nd. Motion carried.

Helen reported that we had agreed to grant a waiver to Troy and Rachel Hancock to drill a well on their 35 acres located on County Rd 61. The waiver was granted due to the proposed location of the residence and proximity to CR61 would present a safety hazard for delivery of water. Helen also reported that we are reimbursing the Owners on Willow Rd for damage to their water measurement system due to our overfilling their cistern.

Helen requested a copy of the proposed easement that includes coverage of all the gate valves. Rick will provide. Short discussion about the easement that exists on the Hancock land for a proposed additional lake if needed.

The Operations report was presented and discussed. We have been out of priority since the 23rd of June. The water inlet from Putney creek has been adjusted to .19' and outlet has been adjusted to .24. NTU has seen some variations but are well within State requirements. Variations have been controlled by cleaning of the finished water curvette and changing of the bicarbonate tubing and injector on filter #2. Residual chlorine was low during the first of the month and adjustments were made to increase. All deliveries were within State requirements for residual chlorine levels.

The new truck was dropped off at McCandless for warranty repairs and waiting for parts from the tank manufacturer. The 2005 truck had needed welding completed. Eric recommended we purchase a spare pump to have on hand. No motion was made at this time to proceed with the purchase.

Rick noted that the tubing from the bicarbonate tanks to the filters should be replaced quarterly as preventive measures to maintain consistent NTU control and not wait until we see variation. This requirement is in operational procedures. Rick also mentioned that the repair on the 3000 gallon tank could possibly be completed by using a representative from an RV repair to cover the opening on the tank.

Our ORC operator submitted quotes via email to replace our aging CL17 chlorine monitor as recommended by the State auditor during our Sanitary Survey. The cost would be \$3795.

Rick is to call our ORC to obtain state paperwork to convert our treatment process from Sodium Bicarbonate to Soda Ash.

Helen presented the list of past due accounts and repeat offenders that don't pay their bills. The list of owners that have suspension letters due has improved this month, but consists of owners that wait until

they are cut off before they pay their bill.

The financials and invoices due were presented by Helen in Kirt's absence. Rick made the motion to approve financials and pay the bills. Dominick 2nd. Motion passed.

Old business:

The question was presented if we need to remove our search for a backup driver now that we have hired a driver to drive on Fridays and assist on large days. It was decided to remove ads at this time.

No update on Grant Opportunities for the new truck

No update on DOLA Temporary Mil Levy

Sanitary survey: No significant deficiencies were found. We did receive two violations. One for incomplete records of calibration of our NTU monitoring equipment. The calibrations were being done but not recorded to State requirements. The other was for our chlorine monitoring equipment variations are greater than 10%. It was noted that we are doing our chlorine measurements using bench tests. The auditor recommended we replace our current CL17 monitor with equipment that is more stable.

Clearwell cleaning: We are waiting on a firm date from the vendor

Transition in Board President. Email issues resolved as well as access as administrator of our website.

Eric has assumed full responsibility Plant Operation and Quality compliance with oversight by our licensed ORC Operator. Compensation has been resolved.

Rick made a motion to approve the quote for replacement of the Chlorine monitor for \$3795 and upgrade of our SCADA software. Helen 2nd. Motion passed. Helen requested we have Matt from Mountain Peak control do the upgrade on a Wednesday so Eric can be available for the work

Motion was made by Rick to adjourn the meeting. Dominick 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.