Minutes 1-22-2025

The board meeting had been moved from 1/21/2025 to 1/22/2025 for safety reasons due to icy and cold conditions on the roadways.

The meeting was called to order by Board President Jesse Garcia on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, at 6:00 pm. A quorum consisting of Jesse Garcia, Kathy Moses, Norma Morales, and Carol Williams.

The board moved to item H2. Candy Markle-Beck was present and updated the board concerning the work that has been completed. The railroad has straightened out the curve but has not finished cleaning out the bridge yet. Discussion was held concerning marking the flush valves so that the drainage district employees can see the valves while mowing. Different methods were discussed, and we will investigate different materials needed to complete this job.

B. Minutes 12/16/2024 -Kathy Moses made a motion to approve the minutes for 12/16/2024. Norma Morales seconded the motion. All for the motion, none opposed, motion carried.

C. Minutes 1/9/2025 – Kathy Moses made a motion to approve the minutes for 1/9/2025. Norma Morales seconded the motion. All for the motion, none opposed, motion carried.

D1. Financial Report – Kathy Moses made a motion to approve the financial report. Norma Morales seconded the motion. All for the motion, none opposed, motion carried.

D2. Office Report – Discussion was held concerning the date of the February meeting. The meeting will still be held on February 17 even though the office will be closed for President’s Day. Kathy Moses made a motion to approve the office report as presented. Norma Morales seconded the motion. All for the motion, none opposed, motion carried.

D3. Operator’s Report – Discussion was held concerning the automation problem at the water plant on 1/20/2025. Rene Rodriguez, his employees, and Joshua Podolak took shifts covering the plant until Mercer Controls arrived and replaced the defective part. Rene Rodriguez presented the rest of the monthly information. Norma Morales made a motion to accept the operator’s report. Carol Williams seconded the motion. All for the motion, none opposed, motion carried.

There was no old business, closed session or open session held.

H1. The board discussed the procedure to fill the vacancy left by Robert Zapata’s passing. Mailers concerning the vacancy and the requirements to be a director will be sent out with the statements, and posted in town, at the district office, and on the website. The letters of interest in the position will need to be in the office by 5 pm on Friday, February 14, for consideration at the February 17, 2025, board meeting.

H3. Discussion was held concerning the presentation by Purifics concerning their arsenic removal system and the cost. The cost would be approximately $900,000 plus our costs to supply a building and possible electrical work. Kathy Moses made a motion to proceed to acquire more bids from other companies. Norma Morales seconded the motion. All for the motion, none opposed, motion carried.

H4. Discussion was held concerning purchasing framed doors for the Kubota UTV. The price was looked at and will be approximately $930.00 plus shipping. Kathy Moses made a motion to purchase the framed doors for the Kubota. Norma Morales seconded the motion. All for the motion, none opposed, motion carried.

An arrangement/plant for Robert Zapata’s services was discussed and will be sent.

Kathy Moses made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Norma Morales seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:58 pm.