



COLUMBINE LAKE WATER DISTRICT



RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS COLUMBINE LAKE WATER DISTRICT MONDAY, JULY 17, 2023 3:00 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Columbine Lake Water District was called to order by President Mike Golden at 3:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the Administration Building, 1111 GCR 48, Grand Lake, CO 80447, and also remotely.

Directors Present: Mike Golden – President
 Philip Goes – Vice President
 Mark Trumbo – Treasurer
 Charlene Penson – Director

Staff Present: Katie Nicholls – District Manager
 Mike Gibboni – Superintendent

2. **INTRODUCTION OF PUBLIC PRESENT**

None.

3. **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

By **MOTION**, second, and unanimous vote the June 19, 2023 meeting minutes were approved as presented.

4. **MATTERS BEFORE THE BOARD**

a. **Resignation of Board Member John Joyce**

By **MOTION**, second, and unanimous vote the Board agreed to fill the vacancy by appointment.

b. **Consideration of engagement of Timothy Day CPA for accounting services for year ending December 31, 2023**

The Board combined motion with item 4c of this agenda.

c. **Consideration of engagement of McMahan and Associates, LLC for auditing services for year ending December 31, 2023**

By **MOTION**, second, and unanimous vote the Board approved the engagement of the services of Timothy Day CPA for accounting services and McMahan and Associates, LLC for auditing services for year ending December 31, 2023.

d. **Consideration of updated Raftelis Water Rate Study Proposal**

District Manager Nicholls noted that the water rate study proposal has been reworked removing unneeded items, this has resulted in a reduction of maximum costs to \$12,300. A brief discussion

ensued regarding the proposal and water metering. By **MOTION**, second, and unanimous vote the Board approved the engagement of Raftelis for a water rate study.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

6. **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

By **MOTION**, second, and unanimous vote the checklist for June 2023 was approved as presented. A brief discussion ensued regarding the emergency pool fund balance. The Board requested it be rectified within the books in 2024. By **MOTION**, second, and unanimous vote, the financial documents for June 2023 were approved as presented.

7. **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Superintendent Mike Gibboni presented the water usage report. He noted that the meter at the spring house is currently being repaired and that the tank is due for an inspection, which will be scheduled. A question was raised regarding the new generator. He stated the generator needs to be set and the gas line service re-started.

8. **DISTRICT MANAGER REPORT**

District Manager Katie Nicholls stated that the water attorney is fielding some final questions regarding the Aqua Lagoon Agreement that has been discontinued. She then broached the subject of a possible dissolution or consolidation of the District with Three Lakes Water & Sanitation District (TLWSD). She noted that TLWSD has been hired to run the District for several decades. The District is paying in excess of \$50,000 per year to exist as Columbine Lake Water District. If TLWSD is willing to absorb the District through dissolution, the constituents would not only save money, but would be provided a better and more cohesive customer service and billing experience. The operations would remain exactly the same. The process would require a successful election to complete the process. A lengthy discussion ensued pertaining to the benefits, process, assets of the District, and potential public perception. The Board did a quick poll amongst themselves and advised District Manager Nicholls to see if TLWSD would consider the prospect.

With no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 4:41 p.m.


Katie Nicholls, Recording Secretary


Mark Trumbo, Secretary/Treasurer