

CMWA Annual Meeting
February 5, 2022
2:00 p.m.

The annual meeting of the Crawford Mesa Water Association was held at the Crawford Town Hall. Roll call was taken by Carol Kraai and Joanie Cherp and a quorum declared. The meeting was called to order by President Bill Carpenter. It was moved by Ray and seconded by Anthony Lubin to approve last year's minutes. The motion passed.

Mark LeValley presented the Board's report. The Hamilton Springs piping has been replaced and the springs are classified as underground springs and require less testing for the Health Department. Debris was cleaned up around the Hamilton Springs and a right away made to prepare for fencing. The fencing will cost approximately \$11,000. By piping the Hamilton Springs back into our system we gained gpm and with our share in Wiley Springs we run around 40 gpm. Installed electricity at the airport tanks to run circulating pumps and install cathodic protection. The CL2 monitor was aquired and the turbidity meter was repaired. Replaced a number of master meters.

Regarding the Manager report it was suggested at previous annual meetings that if we had 2 to 3 years of treated vs sold vs loss on the report then we would have a comparison. There was a two year comparison but the members would like to see at least three year comparison side by side. The Board agreed to provide three years.

Mike Cleary questioned the calculation of the treated vs sold vs loss. This will be clarified. Questions were asked about the loss and if grants had been looked at for storage. Our loss over the years has been 1/3 to 1/2 of treated water and this is not an abnormal loss over the years. The Board had a person from Colorado Rural Water talk to them about grants. The best grants are offered to municipalities. Or join with other companies and have more access to grants. The fees would be dictated by the grants.

Gary Hubble mentioned that Paonia water system is having pretty serious problems and he wanted to confirm that CMWA is in better condition. Bill Carpenter responded that we definitely are and Chuck and Adam do an excellent job of operating the system. Gary also stated that it was good to see that the company has a surplus for the year. Larry Ribnick felt like in the past we were just patching the problems. But Chuck and Adam have improved that situation. He questioned what we are going to be doing this year for anticipatory management. Tracy Cheatham responded that a number of large lines have been replaced and the overflow does help with the circulating of the tanks. In the future it would be nice to build a 1,000,000 storage tank. Placement of a tank might be a problem. The Clifford's are always looking for possible places of losses and take appropriate action.

Mark asked about what the members think of the rates increasing. After discussion, Bob Pennetta moved we raise the base rate from \$35.00 to \$45.00 per month. Roswell Checketts seconded. After more discussion it was called the question for a vote. The count was taken by hand and passed by a small margin and Marici called for a paper ballot. The paper ballot vote will be taken at the same time that the vote is taken for the Board members.

Gary Hubbell moved and Doris Hubbell seconded to investigate having a feasibility study done to see which lines need replaced or storage and the possibility of selling taps with those taps not be connected till in the future. Motion passed.

Gary Hubble moved and Bob Stuplich seconded to sell two taps and this money would be used, if necessary for the feasibility study to be done. After discussion, the motion passed.

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Presented Proposed Budget. It was moved and seconded to accept the proposed budget. Covered the proposed system upgrades.

The treasurer's report was read. The checking account has a current balance of \$3,257.89, money market \$19,287.14, second money market \$70,046.55, one year CD has \$47,924.37 and 1st State Bank CD is \$5,625.76. The treasurer's report was accepted as read.

Les Linman and Dave Young resigned this year and the Board, per the Bylaws, replaced their positions with Bret Specht to finish out a 1 year term of Dave Young and Tracey Murdock will finish out a two year term of Les Linman.

Terms for Joanie Cherp, Tracy Cheatham and Lynn French are up this year. Marici nominated Joanie, Tracy and Lynn and Doris Hubbell nominated Gary Hubbell. Mark LeValley moved to cease nomination. The members voted by ballot for the Board members. Joanie Cherp, Tracy Cheatham and Lynn French will serve on the Board.

The members voted by ballot to raise the base rate to \$45.00. This motion passed

Meeting adjourned.

Board Members present Bill Carpenter, Joanie Cherp, Tracy Cheatham, Tracey Murdock, Mark LeValley and Bret Specht. Marici Garber, Secretary/Bookkeeper.

