CENTRAL MT REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY
Harlowton, MT 59036
June 14, 2023
MINUTES

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS: Chairman Kalitowski opened the meeting and asked all to introduce themselves.

IN ATTENDANCE: Jim Kalitwoski, Chairman; Dave Liggett, Sec./Treasurer; Dave Picchioni, V. Chairman; Amy Deitchler, Great West Engineering; Shawna Swantz, DNRC (by Zoom); Rick Duncan, DNRC (by telephone); Kristen Betzner, RD and Greg Kruzich, BOR (by Zoom); Josh Jabelarea, MAP; Laura Larocco, Ryegate; Susan Hayes, Great West Engineering; Jeff Sell, Harlowton; Paul Otten, Harlowton; Allen Davis, Ryegate; Scott Keller, Shawmut-Deadman's Water District; Monty Sealey, Project & Mgmt Services.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MAY 10, 2023: Jeff Sell moved to accept the minutes from May 10, 2023 as sent out; seconded by Dave Liggett; motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT AND CURRENT BILLS: Dave Liggett reported a beginning a beginning bank balance at First Security Bank of ($134,119.25) with deposits of $129,313.99 for a sub-total of ($4,805.26). Invoices for First Security Bank totaled $2,478,907.87, leaving a bank balance of ($2,483,773.13). Liggett reported a beginning bank balance at Stockman Bank of ($411,719.09) with deposits of $411,720.36, leaving a balance of $1.27. Invoices paid through Stockman Bank totaled $417,142.97, leaving an ending balance of $417,141.70.

Current bills included: Midrivers Telephone, Acct. # 8740500 for $20.95; Roundup Record Tribune Inv. 4747 for $319.00; MT Rural Water Systems Inv. 1955 for $150.00; Times Clarion Statement for $360.00; West Wind Web Inv. 4373 for $351.50; Big Horn Public Affairs Inv. 1455 for $2,500.00; Project & Mgmt Services Inv. RW023005 for $9,554.08; Lee Enterprises Acct. 102-601131902 for $22.40; Great West Engineering inv. 29276 for $8,521.65; Great West Engineering Inv. 29273 for $89,302.95; Great West Engineering Inv. 29274 for $1,180.25; Great West Engineering Inv. 29279 for $13,447.01; Great West Engineering Inv. 29277 for $63,113.04; Great West Engineering Inv. 29278 for $2,134.79; Great West Engineering Inv. 29275 for $3,059.29; Fergus Electric Coop Acct # 398258 for $206.88; C&C Excavation Pay Est 1 PH IIA for $2,349,296.76; COP Construction Pay Est. #9 PH I for $75,649.12; MT Civil Contractors Pay Est #3 Ph I for $248,930.32; MT Dept. of revenue C&C Est 1 for $23,730.27; MT Dept of Revenue Est #9 for $764.13; MT Dept of Revenue Est #3 for $2,514.45 for a total of bills of $2,896,110.84.

In addition, the reported beginning bank balance from the First Security Line of Credit of $20,050.00. Checks included MT State Fund Work Comp for $1033.48; Monty Sealey reimbursements for cell phone acct. and PO Box for $371.74; Glatfelter Inv. # 119992128 for $2,693.00.

Dave Liggett moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and to pay the bills subject to receipt of reimbursements; Paul Otten seconded the motion; motion carried. M. Sealey also asked that the check from last month to Kaufman Trust be discarded and replaced with a check for $460.00 because they wanted a water hook-up. Moved by Dave Picchioni to approve; seconded by Dave Liggett; motion carried.

CHANGE ORDER #5 AND # 1: Change Order # 5 to Cop is for $26,046.76. Dave Liggett moved to approve CO #5; seconded by Dave Picchioni; motion carried.

Change Order #1 was for C&C to do road surfacing work on Mauws up to the tank. Jeff Sell moved to accept; seconded by Paul Otten; motion caried.

TASK ORDER #40: TO # 40 was presented in the amount of $11,200.00 for data collection and water monitoring activities for the next year. Dave Picchioni moved to accept TO 40; seconded by Jeff Sell; motion carried.

PHASE II B: Amy Deitchler handed out the bid tabs from Phase IIA. COP Construction is the apparent low bidder. Great West Engineering recommended awarding the bid to COP for IIB. Amy will forward the bid tabs to Greg Kruzich. Dave Picchioni moved to accept the low bid; seconded by Dave Liggett; motion carried.

O & M NEW EMPLOYEE: Monty Sealey explained the offer to Sam Klepzig for the O&M position. The offer was forwarded to Jeff Sell and Lon Sibley (the hiring committee). Jeff had talked to Sam yesterday. Sam accepted the offer; would be here approx.. June 27.

FOUR YEAR PLAN-UPDATE: Susan Hayes passed out the updated Four-Year Project Plan for the water project. It showed costs and potential timelines through Phase V to Hobson, excluding Ryegate. This may revise to include Ryegate in the future depending upon funding.

Water Wells 4 & 5 design is soon to be completed and sent to DEQ for review and approval. One should be under the Emerging Contaminants Program. May go to bids for both; not sure if as two phases, etc. One would be for Roundup; the other for Melstone.

PHASE I TO HARLOWTON-STATUS: Amy explained that C&C had hit and broke an existing water line while digging toward the Harlo tank. The problem was repaired. Pumps have been installed for well #2 & #3. Well #3 was pumping and they were working on chlorination. Should do full cycle by June 28. It is hoped we will have the water operational at Harlowton by the middle of next month. They should begin flushing Harlowton's water lines by July 10; and chlorination should be completed.

PHASE IIA &IIB-STATUS: Pipe has been delivered to the site for IIA. C&C will complete Phase I before beginning Phase II. COP Construction should begin Phase IIB in August.

PHASE IV TO MELSTONE-STATUS: Finishing up cultural and wetlands work. There is need to go back out to make adjustments to the route line review. We are waiting for the Agreement with BOR; then we can begin design.

PHASE V & VI-HOBSON & RYEGATE-STATUS: Hobson is waiting on their PER. Ryegate just submitted last week for Emerging Contaminants program for the pipeline from Deadman's Basin. Shawmut/Deadmans has just submitted a funding request to they can hire an engineer. We are still in need of the environmental work for the route to Broadview.

OTHER BUSINESS: Monty summarized the checks /changes including Check 1411 in the amount of $143.00 returned from the RRT. He wanted it applied to the current $462.00 bill with the current approved check for $319.00. He also requested that check # 1403 to the Kaufman Trust in the amount of $2,460.00 be cancelled and re-issued in the amount of $460.00 because of a hook-up request/

Additional checks to be written were to Key Insurance in the amount of $870.63 for Inv. 16234 and to Fergus Electric Coop for $153.28.

There were no additions, comments, etc., from Agency Staff.

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Monty L. Sealey, Project Administrator Date