

**Board of Directors Regular Meeting MINUTES**  
Tuesday April 11th, 2023, at 6:00 pm  
Conference Call: 605.472.5550                      Access Code: 296143

BJ Hockenberry, President **CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER** at 6:22 pm.

**ATTENDEES:** BJ Hockenberry, Steve Lacroix, Matthew Younger, Doug Harris, Paul St Ruth, and Viki Harris.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None

Steve Lacroix made a **motion** to **APPROVE** the March 14th, 2023, Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Second by Doug Harris. No further discussion approved by majority.

**TREASURER'S REPORT -**

1. Bank accounts:
  - Colorado Trust Account - \$70.62
  - Money Market Account - \$207,965.60
  - Operating Account - \$217,666.29
  - Raymond James - \$1,044,920.72
  
2. Review of Checks / income for the month:
  - Deposits - \$40,478.75
  - Expenses -\$3,548.68

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT -** None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Dry Hydrant Update** – New contractors to contact Yancy and Carter at Sopris Engineering.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Wildland Urban Interface Code** – County Resolution 2022-003. BJ updated the board regarding the issues resulting from the new county code.

**House Bill 23-1023 Construction Bids** – Effective 08/04/23 the need to accept construction bids has been raised to \$120,00.00. Viki will contact Eric regarding the ability of the board to perform the work themselves if they can do it for less than the lowest bid.

**Easter Event** – The water board has requested \$109.00 to help with the Easter Egg Hunt and picnic which was held April 8<sup>th</sup>. Doug Harris made a **motion** to **APPROVE** the funding. Second by Matthew Younger. No further discussion approved by majority.

**QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS:** The fire up at the West Elk Mine is heating back up. Colorado State Fire, State Forest Service, DMEA and West Elk are working on solutions for Fire control. They are asking to cut a line across Bill's rock on Doug's property, thin the timber, and cut the vegetation around the power poles. The mine is in favor of the project, DMEA is on the fence. If the power is lost to the mine, they will be unable to get the miners out. Colorado State Fire is concerned that if it goes up it will burn across the ridge all the way to Paonia. Funding is not yet secured but in all likelihood the project will happen.

The state is trying to pass a bill to establish a board that will set the Wildland Urban Interface Code statewide. The bill has not passed yet, nor has funding been set in the Long Bill.

**Motion** was made to **ADJOURN** the meeting at 6:48 pm by Doug Harris. Second by Steve Lacroix. No further discussion approved by majority. Next Regular Meeting May 9th, 2023, at 6:00 pm, by Conference Call: 605.472.5550      Access Code: 296143  
*Respectfully submitted by Viki Harris, Office Manager.*

Approved x **MOTION** made by Matthew Younger to approve April 11th, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes. Second by Paul St Ruth. No further discussion and passed by majority.