**KEELER COMMUNITY SERVICE DIST.**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**FEB. 18, 2020**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT PUBLIC PRESENT**

Dan Dickman Jim Macey

Carole Puryear Noah Bricker

Sharon Cummings

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:57pm by Sharon Cummings, Board Chairperson.

2. Old Business

* The approval and signing of January minutes was tabled.
* **Customer’s Report:: Theona**

Notices of water shut-off were sent with monthly billing to all current residents. No notices were sent to out-of-town property owners. An error was noted of double billing for one of the customers – issue was corrected and one “lost and found” property owner has finally been billed.

* **A detailed financial** report was given and included with these minutes.

It was noted that the SCE bill showed the solar panels only working on two occasions prompting a discussion to check sand interference and functioning issues.

* **Petty Cash** was $300.00 available to stamps/emergency use.
* **Maintenance Report:**  Sharon reported the “strategy” on title 22; if the testing on the POU unit is 10 parts/billion KCSD will give the customers bottled water until the tests come in under 10 parts/billion, at which time bottle water availability will stop. A suggestion was made to have water available for Pick-Up on a regular schedule in place of deliveries. A customer with a below 10 parts/billion called both the County and state insisting on water deliveries. KCSD was ordered to comply. KCSD has been unable to retest the home owner’s unit because he would not allow technician to enter the home.

3. New Business

* Discussion: Dan reported the need for a new board member to fill a long time vacancy. Noah Bricker indicated his desire to join with an application. A question arose about Noah being a registered voter in Keeler. His response was to re-register on the internet, immediately.
* Discussion about purchasing a new computer for KCSD. Carole spoke about the antiquated computer at the Fire House. It was unable to support Window’s 10. She also indicated the availability of the computer to anyone entering the premises. If a new dedicated KCSD were purchased we would not qualify KCSD would not qualify as a “hardship” case, unable to continue a website if the current web-master would move or was be unable to keep the web-site current, as she uses her personal computer for the site. Action on this was tabled for further discussion at a later date.
* Chlorine Purchasing: Carole contacted Steve Christensen, owner of Manor True Value, to purchase the chorine $26.99 for a box of 4.

4. Directors’ Reports:

* **Dan Dickman** recommended acceptance of Noah Bricker to fill the final vacancy on the Board. Carole made a motion, with a second by Dan, to accept Noah Bricker’s application to the KCSD’s Board of Directors to fill the 5th. vacant position. All board members were in favor. His term will be for 4 years, ending in 2024. The oath of office was administered by Theona and signed by Noah.
* Dan thanked everyone who helped fix the water leak in the North end of town. Sharon also wanted it noted three customers tried to impede the work.
* **Carole Puryear**: Reported on the grant process in the IRWMP program. When they accept the request, the application goes to the application committee and they will or will not accept the request within a week. She feels hopeful of its acceptance.
* Carole further reported on talking to Richard Sinclair from A.P.E Water in Arizona. He contacted AdEdge Water Technologies to supply a filter that will clean up to 50 parts of arsenic. There was still a question if the State would recognize the company as a supplier.
* Quarterly reporting is due in March. Manny will supply the numbers.
* Carole also informed the Board Manny, the current certified water tester, would be resigning from his job at Gardner’s True Valley on the 21st. of Feb. to start his own business – hopefully he will not drop KCSD. Carole suggested KCSD would pay for him to take the test for water distribution.
* **Sharon Cummings** reported on the repair on Old State Hwy. at the North end of town was accomplished by all volunteers.
* Sharon read a letter from Theona to Dan about the concern of over-billing Pat Ormsby for water that has been shut off. She made a motion to reset the bill from July to the present at $21/month, Dan seconded, all board members voted “yes”.

5. Public Comment

* Jim Macey reminded the Board of a draft letter he sent to them for editing and finalizing to be sent to Matt Kingsley to carry to Inyo County’s Lobbyist regarding possible funding for the KCSD Water District needs. Sharon made a motion to send letter, with corrections, on to Matt. Motion was seconded by Carole, all were in favor.

6. Meeting was adjourned at 6:54pm.