

**GRAND RONDE SANITARY DISTRICT**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**December 21, 2016, 9:15 a.m.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND NOTE OF ATTENDANCE**

Trustee Pope declared the meeting of the Grand Ronde Sanitary District Board of Trustees to be in session at 9:20 a.m. Trustee Ainsworth and Trustee Wheeler were present.

Staff present:           Greg Hansen, Interim Manager  
                              Morgan Smith, Legal Counsel  
                              Todd Whitaker, Public Works Director

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**MOTION:           TRUSTEE AINSWORTH MOVED, TRUSTEE WHEELER SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2016**

**MOTION:           TRUSTEE WHEELER MOVED, TRUSTEE AINSWORTH SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2016.**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**4. STATUS OF THE DISTRICT**

Greg Hansen reported that the District continues to operate within the set parameters. In November, there were some unforeseen staffing issues, so Todd ended up working out at the District for a couple weeks, dealing with dangerously high water levels and equipment malfunctions (new chlorine pump is being replaced). Jared, the District Operator, is no longer employed by the tribe, so Todd is working on an employment agreement for 30 hours/week, \$24/hour. However, Todd expects Jared to find another job quickly, and is not sure if the District will go back to working with the Tribe to supply a Plant Operator, or finding our own employee. The tribe continues to discharge to the District during the winter, skewing the I & I numbers being sent to DEQ.

Todd reported that he received an updated quote to replace approximately 12 STEP pumps and three remote pump stations, and add telemetry to this equipment. The total quote is \$42,000. The Board expressed concern with the cost (approximately 40% of reserves). Todd is looking at different grant opportunities, but most grants require a facilities plan, which the District needs to have done. Todd plans to talk to DEQ about this requirement since the District is not planning for growth, just equipment upgrades and maintenance.

Hearing no further business, Trustee Pope adjourned the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

Minutes: Heather Chase  
Approved: March 15, 2017