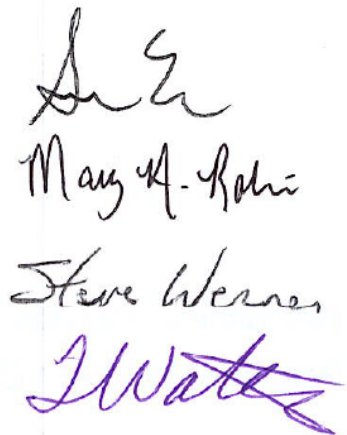
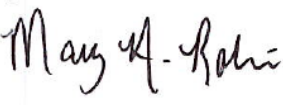




DeBerry Water Supply Corporation Board Meeting

7/18/2024 @6PM at DeBerry Fire Station

Attendees:

- Sara Edwards – President
- Matt Tillman – Vice-President
- Tammy Walters – Secretary/Treasurer
- Mary Robinson – Board Member
- Steve Werner – Board Member
- 13 Members

Discussion and Possible Action to Approve July 11th Meeting Minutes

Sara read the minutes from 7/11/2024 meeting and motioned to have them approved. Tammy seconded the motion and all were in favor. Tammy will upload the signed copy to the web-site.

Discussion and Possible Action to Approve June Financials 2024

Sara went through the financials for June. She stated that she had entered all that she had into QuickBooks, but added a caveat that there is the potential to still find items that were missed since the board is still going through the documents left to us. Members asked questions regarding some items but all questioned were answered to the members satisfaction. Steve motioned to accept the report and Sara seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Discussed the need to put a deadline for accepting resumes for the bookkeeper. We agreed to accept them through 7/25/2024 and Tammy will add that deadline to the web site. Once the deadline passes, the finance committee will review the resumes and schedule interviews for the top candidates.

Draw for Term Limits for 4 Board Members

Sara put on folded papers the terms that needed to be distributed. She gave these papers to a member in attendance, and she shuffled and handed them out to the board members.

All board members will be up for re-election in 2025 (except for Sara) and the term limits for each seat are below:

- Steve Werner – 3-year term – 2025-2028

- Matt Tillman – 3-year term – 2025 to 2028
- Mary Robinson – 2-year term – 2025 – 2027
- Sara Edwards – 2-year term – 2025-2026
- Tammy Walters – 1-year term – 2025-2026

Discussion and possible action on Offer for $\frac{3}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ Acre of Land for Possible Well with Contingencies in Place

Sara motioned to put an offer for \$10,000 on $\frac{1}{4}$ acre of land across from well 3. The offer would have been contingent on getting a successful engineering analysis completed (through our existing grant team). After discussion, the motion was not seconded and the decision was to table and investigate other options.

Steve made a motion to approach Chad Sims to see if he is still interested in selling land that he owns next to the storage tanks. We asked Don Holcomb (member) if he could approach Chad and he agreed. The motion was seconded by Matt and all were in favor.

Approve Printer and Copier Purchase

Decision was made at a previous board meeting to purchase a new laptop for the bookkeeper to use as well as a printer. Mary did the research on which to buy and presented the options to the board. Tammy reviewed the options and selected what she thought were the best options. Sara motioned to purchase the ones selected and Mary seconded. All were in favor.

Website Review and Updates

Re-iterated that we have a new web-site (<http://deberry.myruralwater.com>) and announced that a form for Public Information Requests is now available.

A discussion was had about the bill-pay options. Sara had reached out to the my rural water web site owners for the recommendations they had for vendors that support on-line bill pay. The vendor they recommended would charge an extra \$2 to each member that used the service. We will be doing further research on the subject. In the interim, a suggestion to use your own bank to do bill pay will be added to the web-site as usually on-line banking is free.

Discussed that we will be uploading to the web-site key documentation, such as the by-laws and tariffs.

New Business

Sara informed that the mowers had quit and the wells haven't been mowed in a while. She motioned to have GGG mow once before the next meeting. The cost would be \$325 (\$65 per site for 5 sites). Previous mowers charged \$35/well. Quotes for a new mowing service will be presented at the next board meeting. In addition, a call for bids should be added to the web-site. The motion was seconded by Matt and all were in favor.

Steve presented his plan to present an infrastructure report at each meeting. He went through how he is categorizing the infrastructure items so that we can budget and capitalize on them in the future.

A member recommended that we should get a contract with the fire department for when the department uses water to put out fires. Steve will investigate.

Public Comment

None

Closed Session

Steve explained the purpose of a closed session and why we were going into one. After explaining, members left and the board members remained in session.

Back in Open Session

Open session was resumed but no members were left and there was no further action required and meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting

Next meeting is scheduled for 8/8/2024 at the DeBerry Fire House.