## 2024 Wood Perry Ditch Annual Meeting Agenda

## May 20th 6 pm

- Balance Sheet and P&L review, Annual expenses and cash available. Sam Ewing pay?
- Schedule review and user comments
- General user input, Issues, concerns, comments,...
- Planned maintenance work. Pipeline installation and interruption, ditch clean up with mini excavator.
- Piping project updates
- Liability insurance?
- Annual dues?

Meeting notes:

Attendees: Brenda Ratcliff, Tom Bennett, Martin Bouliane, Kevin Wilson, Dan Kigar, Henry Hooper, Larry Bennasuti

Meeting started 6:05pm 5/20/2024

First item on agenda is P&L review. Total expenses for the year 2023 was \$817.43

Which included payment to Sam Ewing of \$200 for ditch work. (correct?)

Jane Pulman charged us for last 3 years of service early 2024 for a total of \$315.

Total balance available in two accounts at Alpine Bank is \$65,213.36+\$2,436.03

Tom Bennett recommended that we increase Sam Ewing pay to \$300. Henry seconded. The board approved. Martin will ask for feedback from Sam to find out if it is sufficient.

Schedule was discussed and generally everyone thought i was working fine. Kevin mentioned Erik and Tom's full usage on the lateral ditch on Wednesdays and Thursdays respectively. Brenda noted that this had been added to the schedule last year, so all should be aware. Martin restated that lot owners need to reset the boards when their "full-use" time is done, and mentioned that he had spoken to Erik about this last year.

General user input, issues concerns:

West ditch may not be flowing properly. Henry and Kevin pointed out that maybe gate at Andrea's property were left open or that the culvert crossing Meadows Cir. needs maintenance.

Martin mentioned the new pipes installed on the spurs of the diagonal ditch. The one leading to Tom's property and the one leading to Kevin's property along MEadows cir were piped mostly due to the occasional road flooding that occurred. These spurs are not technically part of the Wood-Perry Ditch company per historical maps so Tom and Martin assumed the cost and work to install the pipes.

Kevin reported that the longer pipeline installed leading to his pasture provided a reduced flow compare to the open ditch. Potential reason could be bent pipes and leaking seals. Martin said he will analyse and find a solution. Kevin also raised the potential risk of the new butterfly valve clogging. Martin will address and remove if necessary.

Planned maintenance:

Martin said he will cleanup the south ditch on Seaman's property when the mini-excavator will be on site for the new pipeline installation.

Kevin brought up the issue of the headgate not closing completely. Tom said he could go look at it with Martin and find a solution.

## Piping project updates:

Delays were mostly due to the new plans proposed by the engineer that did the final design. Original plan was to have the construction done last fall. The engineer specified larger pipes than originally planned by NRCS. 18" and 15" were added to replace some of the 12".

Installation of the intake box should happen in June followed by the installation of the south pipeline. Disruption to the water flow will be limited to a few days.

The diagonal ditch line will likely occur in the fall to avoid water interruption.

The spur leading to the Bennett's property will be delayed until next year.

Liability Insurance:

Martin asked the group if we should get a policy?

Henry said we don't need one.

Tom raised the question: What if someone gets seriously injured on someone else property?

Dan Kigar suggested we ask other ditch companies how they deal with this.

Henry suggested we reach out to the Water Commissioner to see if he had any ideas.

Martin said he will reach out.

## Annual dues:

Henry reiterated that the dues should be brought down to \$20/share instead of the \$40/share rate that was set when Garth Valentine was not paying.

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