

# **OVERLAND DITCH AND RESERVOIR CO.**

## **Board of Directors Meeting**

**May 12, 2022**

**5:00 pm**

**Redlands Mesa Grange Hall**

Meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by David Kuntz

In attendance were:

Directors: Jerry Adams, Bryan Klaseen, Debbie Gray and Wyatt Wilson

Overland Ditch Manager: Ray Penland

Overland Ditch Rider: Austin Paris

Secretary/Treasurer: Shellie Gies

Redlands Mesa Water Users Secretary/Treasurer: Deb Christner

Overland Shareholders: Reg Cridler and Dave Whittlesey

### **AGENDA: Stands**

### **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:**

The minutes of the April 14, 2022 meeting was presented.

MOVED BY: Bryan Klaseen, to approve April 14, 2022 minutes

SECONDED BY: Jerry Adams

MOTION CARRIED: with no opposing votes.

### **TREASURER REPORT:**

Shellie handed out Bills to Pay and Budget Comparison

Additional Bill from Ray Penland for all thread for Cow Creek gate. \$156.48

MOVED BY: Jerry Adams, to pay the bills and except the treasure's report.

SECONDED BY: Bryan Klaseen

MOTION CARRIED: with no opposing votes.

### **OPERATIONS:**

Ray said Roop did an excellent job of cleaning the lower Overland ditch. Debbie said it looked very good. He took out a large rock above the ditch, about the size of a four-wheeler.

Started plowing snow on Monday. Roop's dozer was down and he had to rent a dozer from Benson Brothers. There is a ferocious number of trees in the ditch. They made it close to the West Hubbard box. The snow is wet and hard to push. The dozer they are using is not running right. Roop will come back and finish when his dozer is fixed. It will be the middle of next week. Every day they are more trees falling in the ditch. Robert will come in and get the trees and rocks out of the ditch with his hoe. There is a lot of water in the Terrors. There is a mud slide on top of the snow at the 20 mile by the green gate that brought down a couple trees. It took Ray and Austin two hours to get the trees out. The hill was sliding while they were there. Ray didn't think the mud would cause an issue in the ditch, unless a lot more comes down. Bryan said he thought the guys were doing a good job opening the ditch. Ray said the West Hubbard box that Robert built last year is excellent. He encouraged the Board to go look at it.

### **PRESIDENTS REPORT:**

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

The ATV shipping was pushed back again. Other dealers are having the same issue with not getting machines in. David said he had an older ATV that we could use until we could get ours in. The Redlands piping project is moving forward slowly. The salt load is what will determine the funding from the Bureau of Rec. Paul Kehmeier, Salinity Program Coordinator for the State of Colorado, is looking into other possibilities for funding for us. The committee met with Greg Ullmann from Applegate. He is ready to step in and move forward. He said the feasibility study may cost upwards of \$20,000.00. David said we are continuing to make steps in the right direction to see what we can get done.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Shellie received a call from the Forest Service Office in Paonia. They want to do an inspection on Schoneman Cabin this summer. Ray will look at the cabin and see what we may need to fix before the inspection.

The new Overland locks were discussed. We had a question about our new locks being placed. It was decided that for our protection and the landowner's protection the locks would stay in place. There has been issues with landowners changing the combinations and locking us out. We must always have access to the ditch.

Debbie Christner was able to obtain Overland records from Phil Ceriani. She will give them to Shellie after the meeting. She also sent the information to Applegate that was needed.

**STOCKHOLDER'S CONCERNS:**

Reg Cridler, spoke with Uncompahgre Water Users about how they deal with water theft. They have 52 employees and 17 ditch riders. They are on the ditch every day. They would use the Colorado Law on Trespass. They would go through the District Court. The Ditch Rider would need pictures with include GPS and timestamp. Reg thanked the Board for taking care of the problem from last year and thought the issue was taken care of for now.

**BOARD CONCERNS:**

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**ADJOURN:**

David adjourned the meeting at 6:05 pm

Submitted by: Shellie Gies, Secretary