

## DRAFT

Location: Cooke City Community Council Meeting Room

Board Members in Attendance: Jessica Baumgartner, Lindsey Tollefson & Ben Zavora (all in person) Spencer Stone, Operator & Marilyn Hartley, Clerk (both via Zoom) Garrett, Asst Operator (in person)

Members absent: Brian Boyle & Ken Zavora

 Public Attendance:
 Brandon Richardson (in person),

 Doug Tamke & Brad Koon, Triple Tree Engineers (via Zoom)

 Meg Simone & Elizabeth Woodson (via Zoom)

Chair, Jessica Baumgartner called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

The meeting was called for Triple Tree Engineering to present the new Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) to the Board and public.

Jessica opened the meeting to Public Comment and Beth Woodson requested that the PER be added to the district's website. Meg will see that it gets done.

Doug Tamke presented a summary of the new PER with assistance from Brad Koon. It included a list of problems, project planning, a budget of \$1.8M (+/-) and a basic schedule for completing the work. He reminded the Board that the projects can be scaled back as prospective loans and grants are determined.

After further discussion and questions answered, Lindsey made a motion to move forward with the grant applications & loans that are recommended by Triple Tree. Ben seconded and motion passed unanimously. Upon request from Triple Tree, Ben then made a motion to approve for Jessica to sign the DNRC authorization form and was seconded by Lindsey. Again, the motion passed unanimously. Lindsey made the motion to approve a resolution (2024-01) authorizing Triple Tree Engineering to apply for a Montana Coal Endowment Program (MCEP) Grant on behalf of the District and was seconded by Ben. Jessica was in agreement, so motion passed unanimously.

On an emergency basis, Lindsey made a motion to purchase a new sump pump for the well house and was seconded by Ben. Jessica agreed so motion passed.

Discussion was had on a few other concerns or issues. Marilyn was asked to be sure annexation is on the agenda for the May meeting and also for a decision on repairing the tank mixer.

Jessica reminded of the next regular meeting on Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at the usual time and place.

With no further business to attend to, Ben made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Lindsey. All were in favor, so Jessica adjourned the meeting at 6:52pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

BOARD APPROVAL:

Marilyn Hartley District Clerk Jessica Baumgartner, Chair

Deborah Purvis, Vice Chair

Brian Boyle, Board Member

Ken Hufford, Board Member

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Ben Zavora, Board Member