

# EAST BOULDER COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

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# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING**

# ST. AMBROSE EPISCOPAL CHURCH 8 DECEMBER 2008

The meeting was called to order by Mark Johns at 4:08 PM. Those in attendance were the board members (Nick Bennett, Lynne Deane, Rick Moeller and Bob Champ) and Water System Operators Frank Hauke and Dick Winters. Mary Wagner (bookkeeper) was also present. Kathy Anderson (possible board member) was also present.

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT

The minutes of the 10 November 2008 meeting were discussed. Nick Bennett made the motion that we approve the minutes of the 10 November 2008 meeting. Rick Moeller seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

### REPORTS FROM CONSULTANTS AND COMMITTEES

## **Finance Report**

Mary Wagner had e-mailed the financial packet to the board (Balance Sheet, P&L ytd comparisons, P&L budget vs. actual and the transaction report). Also e-mailed were the usage comparison spreadsheet and the Majestic View Expansion transaction detail sheet. Mark noted that the bond payment had been delayed because he had mailed it in lieu of faxing. This caused the payment delay and from now on the material will be faxed. Mary noted that the assessed valuation of the district did not change, so the mill levy remained the same. She will send the appropriate information to the county and the budget to the Division of Local Governments. We also received some law revisions from the SDA which will be filed appropriately.

## OPERATIONS REPORT (FRANK HAUKE AND DICK WINTERS)

- We put in 1.0 hrs monitoring and 10.0 hrs maintaining the system from November 4, 2008 thru December 1, 2008.
- Read (estimated) water meters on 11/30/08.
- Exercised outline hydrant at 7529 Skyway Court. Chlorine measured 0.17 mg/l.
- Met with Jack and Pete from Boulder Water Well Service & Supply Co. The meeting went well.
- We updated the EBCWD Operation and Maintenance Procedures.
- H. O. Winters Has been in the hospital since November 24. He hopes to come home today (December 5).

Frank also noted that his wife is hospitalized with a blood infection. We hope both Dick and Ilse have a speedy recovery.

#### WEBSITE

Nick noted that we have a new home page for the website. He is now keeping the site up to date filing the budget, minutes, etc.

#### MAJESTIC VIEW EXPANSION

The McCarty's are interested in including in the district. This would mean that five inclusions would be involved in the expansion. At this point the question of an easement to get water to the McCarty's is problematic. The Majestic View homeowners are tying to determine how this might be worked out.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### 2009 BUDGET

The 2009 budget has been finalized and Mary will mail to the appropriate governmental agencies. Water rates must be adjusted to obtain the revenue needed to support the budget.

#### 2009 WATER RATES

Nick had worked out a rate adjustment which would obtain the needed water revenue for the budget. He had also constructed a letter for the president to sign and for Mary to include in the next months billing. This rate adjustment increases rates at an earlier volume level than the 2008 rates and is termed Rate no. 2. To construct this rate, Nick uses the historical usage data. We are still at risk if there is an extremely wet year and high usage customers curtail use. There was some heated discussion about obtaining revenue from high users in lieu of an across the board increase. We will look at this when we start on the 2010 budget and may appoint a water rate committee.

Bob Champ made the motion that we adopt Nick's Rate #2 as the water rate table for 2009. Rick Moeller seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Nick will get the rate table to Mary for next month's mailing.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Systems Operations Backup**

The operators met with Boulder Water Well and discussed what it would entail having them take over the operation of the water system. They posted a letter dated 4 Dec. 2008 discussing their rates and fees. This was on the order of what we anticipated but we are going to look at a few more options.

## DIRECTORS COMMENTS AND OTHER MATTERS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

Checks were given to each of the directors for meeting attendance. Also, a gift was given to each of the operators and to Mary for their excellent work during 2008. We are very appreciative of their conscientious work and it is doubtful the district would be where it is today without their dedication.....THANKS!!!!

### **ADJOURN**

A motion was made to adjourn by Nick Bennett, seconded by Lynne Deane and unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 5:32 PM.

The above is respectfully submitted by the secretary.

Bob Champ, 9 December 2008 secretary@eastboulderwater.com