



EAST BOULDER COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

ST. AMBROSE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

10 JANUARY 2011

The meeting was called to order by Mark Johns at 4:04 PM. Those in attendance were the board members (Nick Bennett, Rick Moeller, Lynne Deane and Bob Champ) and water system operators Frank Hauke and Dick Winters. Mary Wagner (Bookkeeper) was also present. No members of the public were present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The minutes of the 13 December 2010 meeting were discussed. Nick Bennett made the motion that we approve the minutes of the 13 December 2010 meeting. Lynne Deane 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 budget vs. actual, P&L YTD comparisons and the transaction report). Mary also e-mailed the usage comparison spreadsheet. We have received the inclusion fee for Lot #8. The transaction report was reviewed and approved. It was decided that we could skip the audit for 2010 as there has been no major construction during the year and we have had audits the past two years. Mary will e-mail our auditor notifying them that we should file an exemption for the year 2010.

OPERATIONS REPORT (FRANK HAUKE AND DICK WINTERS)

- We put in 1.0 hrs monitoring and 2.5 hrs maintaining the system from December 8, 2010 thru January 3, 2011.
- We read the water meters on 12/31/10.
- We flushed the outline fire hydrant at 7529 Skyway Drive. The water was clear. Chlorine measured 0.13 mg/l before flushing then 0.64 mg/l after flushing.
- Shutting down of this hydrant did not feel right. H. O. called the fire department to have them check it out. They did this and found no problem.
- Marked the water line at 512, 510, 422 and 420 Ponderosa Drive.
- We checked in at the construction work being done at the stop signs at various times.

The phone line in the pump house has been repaired.

The generator maintenance has still not been performed. We will contact them about scheduling the maintenance.

WEBSITE

Nick has acquired the necessary id numbers for the transparency statement and has posted it on the SDA website. The 2010 archives are also complete. Nick noted that we could save space by converting the xcel and docs files to the PDF format. Because formulas would be lost in xcel files we will determine if this would be a problem before the conversion.

Lynne Deane will do the CCR for the 2011 year.

BENCHMARK DRIVE

No new information has been received on 5 Benchmark Drive.

We have received an e-mail from 4 Benchmark Drive on the status of possible water damage at that site.

Frank and Dick (Water System Operators) have written a short synopsis of their view of the water leak that occurred on Benchmark Drive. The synopsis follows:

A combination of wet weather, expansive soil, and water pressure caused two 35 year old water pipes in the Benchmark Island to shift. As a result a joint sealed with a rubber gasket developed a small leak. This joint is about 25 feet from the south end of the island. Water rose to the surface and ran down the street gutter to a drain.

Because the water contained very little chlorine (.04 mg/liter) and a listening instrument could not detect a leak it was assumed that it was ground water. A lady living at 9 Benchmark Drive listened with the instrument and came to the same conclusion. The county excavated the site and found a leak.

Over the next 26 hours about 1.5 cubic yards of water filled the hole. This is 315 gallon or 290 gallons per day. At least 90% of the water went down the drain, leaving 29 gallons per day in the ground. The leak was repaired on 9/21/09 by Mike's Backhoe. Investigation revealed that the north side downhill from the leak was completely dry. A valve pit in the middle of the island was dry.

Colorado State engineers told us that Davidson Mesa has 13 geologic faults and is plagued with ground water. Uphill from the island, #12 Benchmark had groundwater in the crawl space, meter pit and the street in front. Benchmark #6 was destroyed by groundwater years before the leak.

We conclude that this leak had virtually no connection to damage to homes in Benchmark.

Frank and Dick have been the operators in the district since its inception and the operator of the Panorama District Wells prior to our forming the district. The board values their knowledge and opinions with respect to matters such as what happened in Benchmark. Mark will contact the owners of 4 Benchmark and relay our views on the matter.

HIGH-LOW PRESSURE INTERCONNECT

The project is almost completed. The ladder, access ring and cover have to be installed and the area cleaned up. The valves will then be adjusted and the project will be complete.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

FRANK AND DICK'S TENURE

Dick Winters License will expire this month. Frank and Dick would both like to continue in their current capacity and it may be feasible to phase-in Boulder Water Well into increasing responsibility in the district. Mark will contact them regarding this matter.

REMOTE METER READING AND REMOTE MONITORING

The remote meter reading system was discussed and it was generally agreed that such a system would be advantageous to the district.

Lynne Deane made the motion that we purchase the Sensus remote meter reading equipment as proposed by Don Kluth in the Bid to EBCWD DK110510A Revised. Nick Bennett seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Our engineer (Terry Kenyon) will be advised of our intentions to go forward with this project.

The remote monitoring of different areas of the district was tabled.

NEW BUSINESS

2011 Water Rates

The water rates have been included in this month's billing and reveal the lower base rates. Because of the infusion of the capital from the bond reissue, the lower rates were made possible. We will continue to monitor the budget month-to-month to assure we are making the necessary water revenue.

Boulder Water Well Proposal

Discussions were tabled until the next meeting.

INCLUSION HEARING FOR LOT#8

Mark Johns made the motion that we open the inclusion hearing on Lot #8. Lynne Deane seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

This inclusion was discussed with respect to extending the line further toward South Boulder Road. Possible inclusions will be contacted by the board to assess their desire to join the district. However, it was decided that the inclusion of lot #8 would be beneficial to the district.

Nick Bennett made the motion that we include Lot #8, Block 2 Paragon Estates (the Kell property). The motion was seconded by Lynne Deane and was passed unanimously.

Mark will fill out the Board Order for Inclusion and forward to our Lawyer. The reimbursement agreement will be referred to in order to ascertain the proper reimbursement with respect to the extension of the Moeller main line. Terry Kenyon (Engineer) will be contacted regarding the extension.

Rick Moeller made the motion that we authorize Mark Johns to contract with our Engineer to begin work on the extension of the line to Lot #8. Lynne Deane seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Nick Bennett made the motion that we close the Inclusion Hearing. Rick Moeller seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

DIRECTORS COMMENTS AND OTHER MATTERS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

Bob Farmer passed away earlier this month. Bob was among the people who were instrumental in the formation of the district and was elected to the first Board of Directors as treasurer of the District. Bob performed his duties as Board member with diligence and professionalism. He was a friend and will be missed. It is our intent to recognize Bob in an appropriate manner.

ADJOURN

A motion was made to adjourn by Lynne Deane, seconded by Nick Bennett and unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 5:48 PM.

The above is respectfully submitted by the secretary.

Bob Champ, 11 January 2011.

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