

WATER DISTRICT NO. 19
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Tuesday, August 11, 2009

REGULAR MEETING
5:15 PM

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Water District 19 was held at the District Office. Those in attendance were Board President **Frank Jackson**, Board Secretary **Steve Haworth**, General Manager **Jeff Lakin**, Operations Lead **Armin Wahanik** and Office Administrator **Melody Snyder**. Commissioner **Richard Bard** was not in attendance due to a prior work commitment. Visitors present were David Schweinler, Terry Donnelly, Mary Austin and commissioner candidate Robert Powell.

Meeting called to order at 5:15 pm

1. VISITOR BUSINESS

- Terry Donnelly and Mary Liz Austin have requested their rate class be changed from Commercial to Residential. Original request was received by the District in June and **General Manager Lakin** responded by letter suggesting meeting attendance. **The Board** has received a document set and will review. Donnelly and Austin were informed a decision will be forthcoming at a later date.

2. BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION

- Schweinler request for a water unit connection. Based on a search of District records, **The Board's** understanding is that the Schweinlers have never been connected to our water system. **Commissioner Jackson** read a short statement from **Commissioner Bard** expressing his thoughts about the Schweinler situation. Mr. Schweinler still feels that he is entitled to be connected to the District based on the signed 1988 agreement. **Commissioner Jackson** reemphasized his prior statement to Mr. Schweinler from the July 14th, 2009 Board meeting, again noting that the Agreement Restricting Development was a standard agreement for those with multiple tax lots in a ULID to avoid paying multiple assessments for parcels they did not wish to develop. **Commissioner Haworth** observed that the Schweinlers are not on the District waiting list. Mr. Schweinler stated that he received no notification that the moratorium would cancel his agreement. **Commissioner Haworth** indicated that in his evaluation he's confident that the District originally intended to supply water to the ULID assessed individuals, until the moratorium was invoked. He recommended the Board consider alternatives to an equitable solution for assessed tax lots not currently on our system. **Commissioner Haworth** made a Motion to reject Mr. Schweinler's request for a water service connection at this time. **Commissioner Jackson** seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- Morgan Hill Well Change Application – **Commissioner Jackson** read **Commissioner Bard's** statement concerning the Morgan Hill Well Change Application. **Commissioner Haworth** made a Motion to pursue option number 3 (page 3, Department of Ecology Water Resources Program Guidance document 2030) dividing the certificate into two parts; a perfected portion and the inchoate portion with a new development schedule. **Commissioner Jackson** seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- Goulds Pump release of 2004 claim - claim against Goulds pump by our insurance company. **Commissioner Haworth** asked to have this subject tabled until next meeting. **Commissioner Jackson** concurred.
- Valencia request for moving water – Andrew Valencia, new owner of the Otsuka property (tax lots 3023039033, 3023039207, 3023039912, 3023039234) is requesting that the water service unit be transferred from one parcel to another. There is an existing residence that is scheduled for demolition and is currently served with one water service unit. **Commissioner Haworth** is inclined if we can get an appropriate binding agreement, including assurance that the existing residence will be demolished and no longer receive water service. **Commissioner Jackson** echoed this sentiment.

Commissioner Haworth had to leave the meeting at 5:54 pm.

- Main replacement program – **Commissioner Jackson** would like to start work on main replacement this year rather than beginning in fiscal 2010. **General Manager Lakin** expressed concern over funding particularly with additional funds being needed for Beall Well. **Commissioner Jackson** stated funding the project could be achieved with current reserves. It was agreed further discussion with the full Board is needed. Commissioner Jackson noted that the proposed assumption of limiting construction to only May and June is probably unnecessary, and may not allow the necessary construction to be accomplished in a timely manner.
- Conservation – other toilet types – **General Manager Lakin** suggested expanding the list of toilets on our current rebate program to include waterless toilets (composting). Decision tabled. The District issued five rebate checks for clothes washers in July.
- Approval of minutes – Tuesday, July 7, 2009 and Tuesday, July 14, 2009 – tabled until next month's meeting due to a lack of a quorum.
- ADU's – **Commissioner Jackson** read **Commissioner Bard's** statement concerning the district's ADU policy. No action was taken.

3. OPERATIONS REPORT

- **Operations Lead Wahanik** discussed the contingencies caused by the three-hour power loss July 29th. Damaged equipment includes one blower and a finished water pump motor. Peak day was 793,000 gallons on July 29th. He also discussed large discrepancies in flow meter readings in response to an earlier query by **Commissioner Jackson**. **Commissioner Jackson** requests the problem be identified and rectified, and that we be sure the peak day estimation is accurate. Communication between the treatment plant and the well site has worsened since the power failure. Century Tel unable to identify any problems with the leased phone lines. S & B recommends replacement hardware. Staff to facilitate replacements.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

- Beall Well update – **General Manager Lakin** stated we'll need to spend an additional \$50,000 to complete the project. Procuring the rest of materials for the chlorine reaction chamber.
- Sunflower Developer Extension – all water mains are in, we have not signed off on the work.
- Highway paving – project completed. The District cost will be approximately \$5,000.00 for valve risers and contractor installation.
- Financials – there was a error entering the fund interest on the P & L reports. It has been corrected. Professional fees still well above budget.
- Hazard Mitigation Plan – update is done, ready to submit. **Commissioner Jackson** signed the Signature Form for submission. Minor edits to be completed as well.
- Comprehensive Plan – **Commissioner Jackson** requested **General Manager Lakin** send an email to Steve Hirschey of King County DNRP requesting an update.

5. APPROVE VOUCHERS

6. SIGN APPROVED MINUTES IN BOOK

ADJOURNED at 7:45 PM