

WATER DISTRICT NO. 19
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Tuesday, September 8, 2009

REGULAR MEETING
6:30 PM

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Water District 19 was held at the District Office. Those in attendance were Commissioners **Steve Haworth** and **Richard Bard**, General Manager **Jeff Lakin**, Operations Lead **Armin Wahanik** and Office Administrator **Melody Snyder**. Visitors present were Michael Masi, John Cronin, and commissioner candidate Robert Powell. Board President **Frank Jackson** was not in attendance.

Meeting was called to order at 6:34 pm by Commissioner Haworth

1. VISITOR BUSINESS

- Michael Masi and John Cronin requested an update on the status of the proposed revised ADU policy. **Commissioner Haworth** reiterated a previous statement that until additional water resources are available the policy will remain unchanged. **Commissioner Bard** stated it is clear allowing ADUs result in issuance of new water and that would create an equity issue as well as potential legal issues with people on the waiting list. Water budgeting was discussed as a way of freeing up some water from current customers. **Commissioner Haworth** requested **General Manager Lakin** plan to look at the feasibility of implementing water budgeting in fiscal 2011.

2. BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION

- Schweinler request for connection – discussion of a possible compromise. **Commissioners Haworth and Bard** discussed the draft list of alternatives from **General Manager Lakin** related to the Schweinler's request for a compromise. **Commissioner Haworth** stated he believes the District's alternatives are: 1). Do nothing 2). Place all ULID individuals on the waiting list 3). ULID payers go to the top of the waiting list or 4). Reimburse those individuals. **Commissioner Bard** argued that the waiting list policy is first in time, first in line. He agrees that the ULID situation appears inequitable and has considered opening the waiting list to add those that were assessed under ULIDs. Both Commissioners concurred it is best to wait until **Commissioner Jackson** returns before any decisions are made.
- **WASHINGTON WATER/WASTEWATER RESPONSE NETWORK (WAWARN) Agreement / Resolution** – **Commissioner Haworth** made a Motion to approve the Resolution authorizing the General Manager to be the signatory of the WAWARN Agreement as proposed; **Commissioner Bard** seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- Goulds Pump release of 2004 claim – **Commissioner Bard** made a Motion to accept the Goulds Pump settlement agreement and approve the document as submitted; **Commissioner Haworth** seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- Valencia Service Agreement – After review by the District's legal counsel and the **Board**, **General Manager Lakin** recommended that the Commissioners approve the service change agreement that was discussed at the August 11th, 2009 board meeting. This agreement will also be used as a template in the future. **Commissioner Haworth** made a Motion to accept the agreement as amended by legal counsel; **Commissioner Bard** seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- Donnelly / Austin rate status change – per Resolution # 957 already in place defining commercial units, the **Board** cannot honor their request to change their rate status from commercial to residential. The Commissioners have requested **General Manager Lakin** send a letter stating the district's position.
- Conservation – **General Manager Lakin** has asked the Commissioners to consider waterless toilets as part of the district's rebate program. The Commissioners asked **General Manager Lakin** to

research a source for appropriate approved models list and the cost of the rebate. There were two rebates issued in August for Clothes Washers.

- Rainwater harvest permitting – **General Manager Lakin** spoke with an oversight person from the DOE about policy changes and the draft permitting process. **Commissioner Haworth** would like to talk more about it for the next meeting.
- Approval of minutes – Tuesday July 7, 2009, Tuesday, July 14, 2009 and Tuesday, August 11, 2009 – were tabled until next month’s meeting.

3. **OPERATIONS REPORT - Operations Lead Wahanik** reported the six weeks of no measurable rainfall did not pose any major challenges for the District. Peak day for 2009 was on July 29th and was approximately 793,000 gallons. **Commissioner Haworth** noted that analysis indicates we can lower our peaking factor to 2.55 from 2.88. **Operations Lead Wahanik** also reported that Well 4 may be in need of redevelopment. **Commissioner Haworth** would like the 2010 budget to include a line item for this work and suggested that Eric Weber from Landau Associates analyze our wellfield data and render an opinion. **General Manager Lakin** reported to the **Board** that Doug Wood of DOE stated the district might be able to drill in the islands principle aquifer near the high school based on data coming out of the groundwater study being done by King County. **Commissioner Haworth** asked **General Manager Lakin** to invite Larry Stockton to address the Board on the status of the groundwater study. **Commissioner Haworth** asked for clarification regarding the turbidity spikes on August 18 and 19. **Operations Lead Wahanik** reported that regardless of the mitigation techniques used he could not get the turbidity to drop. It was also noted that Ellis Creek level has declined slightly, possibly because of sensitivity to the dry weather.

4. **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

- Beall Well update – still procuring equipment for ammonia reaction vessel. It may behoove the District to contract the installation out. Goal is to complete the installation by the end of the year. RH2 will still need to complete the full scale pilot study.
- Financials – showed another positive result in August. Professional fees over budget due to additional legal fees. **General Manager Lakin** stated we should be receiving our annual invoice from the Insurance pool for 2010 shortly, possibly reflecting the initial impacts of the Vashon Village lawsuit.
- Morgan Hill change application update – the ROE should be posted on the website anytime if not already to satisfy the requirement of a mandatory 30-day comment period.

5. **APPROVE VOUCHERS**

6. **SIGN APPROVED MINUTES IN BOOK**

7. **SIGN RESOLUTIONS**

ADJOURNED AT 8:35 PM