

Norwood Water Commission
Tuesday October 13th, 2015-Regular Meeting
Norwood Community Center 7:00 P.M.

Call to Order:

Chairman Mike Morlang called the regular meeting of the Norwood Water Commission to order at 7:00 P.M. The Norwood Water Commission of San Miguel County, State of Colorado, met in regular session at the Norwood Community Center, 1670 Naturita Street, Norwood, Colorado. Those being present were as follows:

Present: Chairman-Mike Morlang, Mike Grafmyer, Finn Kjome, Jim Wells, Jim Jensen

Staff: Patti Grafmyer-Administrator, Michelle Spor-Secretary, & Tim Lippert-ORC

Absent: Ron Gabbett

Others: Linda Soucie

Review/Consider Consent Agenda:

Motion by Finn Kjome to approve the August 11th, 2015 minutes and the October 2015 bills and accounts as presented. Mike Grafmyer seconded the **motion**. **Yes-** Mike Grafmyer, Jim Jensen, Finn Kjome, Jim Wells. **Motion passed.**

Board Member Additions to Agenda: none

Public Walk-In Period:

Linda Soucie regarding NWC selling water to a growing facility on 43 ZS Road.

Motion by Mike Grafmyer to add Soucie to the agenda under New Business. Finn Kjome seconded the **motion**. **Yes-**Mike Grafmyer, Jim Jensen, Finn Kjome, Jim Wells. **Motion passed.**

New Business:

Ratification approval for Seraphin/Pape Sale of Paper Water Tap (1115 Mesa St. to the Intersection of Naturita and Mesa St.):

Patti states the Papes and Leila Seraphin did come to the September meeting, however it ended up being cancelled on short notice due to not having a quorum. She explains that Seraphin/Nicols have 2 extra water taps at 1115 Mesa St. that they would like to sell to the Papes, who own property at the intersection of Naturita and Mesa St. They are aware that there is a transfer fee of \$3000 for each tap. Lippert says the water line on Naturita St. is a 6 in water line, so the NWC is able to provide water to this location.

Motion by Finn Kjome to approve the transfer of taps from 1115 Mesa St. to the intersection of Naturita and Mesa St. accessing the 6in main line on the north side of Naturita St. running to the North parcel. Mike Grafmyer seconded the **motion**. **Yes-**Mike Grafmyer, Jim Jensen, Finn Kjome, Jim Wells. **Motion passed.**

Linda Soucie regarding NWC selling water to a growing facility on 43 ZS Road:

Soucie explains she received an email from Karen Henderson about having a meeting of public discussion due to pressure from an attorney in Telluride asking them to revise the marijuana growing statutes. Her concern is that water is becoming an issue especially on Wrights Mesa. Grafmyer states

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they are not going to jeopardize their existing customers and they cannot knowingly accept those kinds of funds if it is going to interfere with getting federal funds. Patti says there will be a work session in Norwood discussing the issue.

Old Business:

Raw Water Update:

Patti says she received an email from SGM stating that they are getting everything together they just need a few more pieces of information:

Amendment for Farmers Water Contract:

Grafmyer explains the contract to the new board members.

Motion by Jim Wells to approve the Farmers Water Contract. Finn Kjome seconded the **motion**. Yes- Mike Grafmyer, Jim Jensen, Finn Kjome, Jim Wells. **Motion passed.**

Staff Reports/Announcements

Public Works Director's Report:

Chlorine & Turbidity Reports/Fluoride Report/Submitted.

Lippert reports the test results all came in good. THMs came in low and HAA5s were almost nonexistent. They took the ½ mil gallon tank out of service and flushed out the tanks. The suggestions from the Health Department coaches worked.

Water Production versus Usage:

Lippert states that on October 7th they were working on repairing the leak at Cotters Corner, when they were interrupted by a water break on the 10 in main line located on Hwy 145 across from CDOT. He said the packing around the valve box was gone, so they tried to do a quick repair in order to could get to the water break. Lippert explains it's going to be very extensive to fix the entire line at Cotters Corner, but it may have to wait till next year with winter upon us. In the meantime of fixing the leak, the east side sloughed off and caught Roy and Jesse in the hole. Jesse injured his back when it caved in and he is off work right now. Lippert explains they were not at the point of putting in the trench box. The Board recommends getting longer bars for the trench box. So the plan for the future is to re excavate it and replace the packing. Board Discussion. Lippert says the hard part is taking the plant out of service and he doesn't have enough help to replace the whole thing right now. Jensen and Morlang offer to help Tim replace the line since he is short a person.

Lippert reports that water production is 85% accounted for.

Board Member Reports: none

Administrative Reports:

2016 Draft Budget:

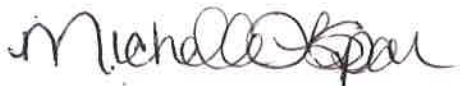
Patti hands out the draft budget. She says it is similar to last years but would like to see a few raises for the employees. 3% for Roy. 2% for Jesse and 4% for Michelle. This year's project is an update for the water shack, which she put the extra money in engineering. Patti reports that the Berkadia loan will be paid off in 2017 and the Board can decide to pay off the loan sooner if they choose.

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Adjourn:

Motion by Mike Grafmyer to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 P.M. Finn Kjome seconded the motion. Yes- Mike Grafmyer, Finn Kjome, Jim Jensen, Jim Wells . ***Motion passed.***

Approved:



Approved As Corrected:

Date:

11-11-15