

Norwood Water Commission
Tuesday February 14th, 2017-Regular Meeting
Norwood Community Center 7:00 P.M.

Call to Order:

Chairman-Finn Kjome called the regular meeting of the Norwood Water Commission to order at 7:04P.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-Finn Kjome, Mike Grafmyer, Mike Morlang, Jim Jensen, Ron Gabbett

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

Absent: Jim Wells

Others: Logan Degrand, Joe Fehrenbacker, John Oliver

Review/Consider Consent Agenda:

Motion by Mike Grafmyer to approve the January 10th, 2017 minutes and the February 2017 bills and accounts as presented. Jim Jensen seconded the **motion**. **Yes-** Mike Grafmyer, Jim Jensen, Mike Morlang, Ron Gabbett. **Motion passed.**

Board Member Additions to Agenda:

Motion by Mike Grafmyer to add the water tap application for Joe Fehrenbacker Lot 5 Norwood Gardens to the agenda under new business. Jim Jensen seconded the **motion**. **Yes-** Mike Grafmyer, Jim Jensen, Mike Morlang, Ron Gabbett. **Motion passed.**

Motion by Ron Gabbett to bring the board up to speed on the Lone Cone Dam. Mike Morlang seconded the **motion**. **Yes-** Mike Grafmyer, Jim Jensen, Mike Morlang, Ron Gabbett. **Motion passed.**

Public Walk-In Period:

New Business:

Logan Degrand-Norwood Inn 1415 Grand Ave-Regarding Water Line Repair on the Street Side of the Meter:

Degrand purchased the Norwood Inn in 2013. After a few months he noticed water coming in by the sidewalk and the planter. He brought this to the attention of the town. Degrand explains at one point he turned off the main water line and he worked on the interior of the Inn, but he was told he cannot work on the meter. Recently he brought the leak to the town again and they pumped out the water and they determined it was leaking. He was told that he had to repair it. Degrand states that he went down the list of approved plumbers and he couldn't get anyone to come fix it. Tim Lippert helped him and got Arrowhead Custom Homes to come out and repair the leak. He shows the water board the cut pipe and where it was leaking. The clamp was installed on a curved piece of pipe and he states that was the reason for the leak. He believes it's not fair that he has to pay for this when the last repair was not done properly. Jensen asks Tim if he did this repair. Lippert says yes he did that back in 2013. Lippert explains that they use these clamps all the time and they are specifically made for these things. Jensen is not sure he thinks Degrand should have to pay for the full amount of the repair from the looks of the pipe and the previous repair. Morlang's input is that they need to have a discussion going back to NWC being

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responsible for the main line to the meter. Grafmyer explains that they do have some precedents set before him that did have to pay for the repair, so those will have to be revisited. Gabbett is still a little on the fence because the repair was only done 4 years ago, he is not sure how long ago the repair was done on Fahnestocks. The Board would like to table this and look back at the old repairs that took place. **Motion** by Mike Grafmyer to table this discussion to the next meeting. Jim Jensen seconded the **motion**. **Yes-** Mike Grafmyer, Jim Jensen, Mike Morlang, Ron Gabbett. **Motion passed.**

FWDC-Appoint Member to Vote Proxy:

Patti states Jim Wells is willing to vote the shares. Mike Grafmyer says he also will be going to the meeting so if Jim can't make it he would be willing to vote the shares.

Motion by Mike Grafmyer to have Jim Wells vote the shares. They will just leave the name blank in case Jim can't. Jim Jensen seconded the **motion**. **Yes-** Mike Grafmyer, Jim Jensen, Mike Morlang, Ron Gabbett. **Motion passed.**

Joe Fehrenbacker Lot 5 Norwood Gardens.

Fehrenbacker is here requesting a water tap for his property on Lot 5 of Norwood Gardens. Lippert did a report and explains it is a 3 inch water line and there are a lot of customers on the system already. He is not sure why there is not a tap on this piece of property as that is how it was designed. Lippert wanted to point out that the application needs to be corrected to 1 residence instead of 4.

Motion by Jim Jensen that we approve the water tap. Mike Morlang seconded the **motion**. Patti wants to inform the board that Joe has been in contact with Mr. Hardman and that he would have to come back to the board to get that approved. **Yes-** Mike Grafmyer, Jim Jensen, Mike Morlang, Ron Gabbett. **Motion passed.**

Old Business:

Staff Reports/Announcements

Public Works Director's Report:

Chlorine & Turbidity Reports/Fluoride Report/Submitted:

Lippert reports a repair was done on the 17th on Gurley Drive, it was hard to find because it was a pump line.

They just received their 1st order of new meters. He says they could read them as far as 3 miles away. There is a lithium battery in the meters and they should last 10 to 20 years. Morlang cautions Patti that the mobile laptop should not having any moving parts or it can mess it up riding along in a pickup.

Water Production versus Usage:

None

Board Member Reports:

Gabbett says the Lone Cone Dam has created a committee and they are trying to make sure all the water rights they have on the books become absolute. They are not absolute yet because they don't have a place to store the water. The committee is looking at the old reservoirs in order to have a place to store this water. Trujillo wanted them to buy the land that reservoir 1 was on. They hired Tom Kennedy to do some research for them.

Administrative Reports:

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Rules and Regulations: Article 10 and Article 5:

Patti hands out the verbiage changing the rules and regulations regarding multiple uses on 1 meter. It's just an addition to R&R 10.1. She explains it is just a proposal tonight but she would like to move forward with sending out letters to these customers and inviting them to attend the meeting next month. Board says the verbiage makes sense.

She also explains the email that Clay sent out and she wants to clarify that the board does not want to set up a whole new board for a Raw Water Enterprise Fund.

Kjome fills the rest of the Board in on how the meeting with Ken Charles went. He felt that he is definitely working for us and that he was positioning us to be prepared for the next budget session. He recommended putting the tap commitments into the grant, not just the taps purchased. Clay Wadman has been working on a draft of the tap commitment form. Patti believes it was a positive meeting. She says he did kind of flip though because at first it was hard numbers and cash in hand regarding the tap sales and now he is ok with just tap commitments. Jensen says he was talking to another contractor about the different types of pipes that could be used in installation. He got some numbers for him and the PIP pipe is 57000 and the HDPE its 118000. Kjome says we can look at that when they bid it out.

Adjourn:

Motion by Mike Grafmyer to adjourn the meeting at 8:21P.M. Ron Gabbett seconded the **motion**. Yes- Mike Grafmyer, Finn Kjome, Jim Jensen, Mike Morlang. **Motion passed.**

Approved:

Approved As Corrected:

Date:



