

Norwood Water Commission
Tuesday January 8th, 2019-Regular Meeting
Norwood Community Center 7:00 P.M.

Call to Order:

Chairman-Ron Gabbett called the regular meeting of the Norwood Water Commission to order at 6:59P.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-Ron Gabbett, Mike Grafmyer, Jim Wells, Jim Jensen, Finn Kjome, John Owens

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

Absent:

Others: Candy Meehan, Louis Meyer

Review/Consider Consent Agenda:

Motion by Finn Kjome to approve the December 11th, 2018 minutes and January 2019 bills and accounts as presented. Mike Grafmyer seconded the **motion**. **Yes**-Mike Grafmyer, Jim Wells, Finn Kjome, Jim Jensen, John Owens. **Motion passed.**

Board Member Additions to Agenda:

none

Public Walk-In Period:

New Business:

Appointment of Chairman (Town) and Vice-Chairman (Rural):

Motion by Ron Gabbett to elect Finn Kjome as the Chairman of the NWC. John Owens seconded the **motion**. **Yes**-Mike Grafmyer, Jim Wells, Ron Gabbett, Jim Jensen, John Owens. **Motion passed.**

Finn Kjome resumes the meeting as the new chairman.

Motion by Ron Gabbett to elect Jim Jensen as Vice-Chairman of the NWC. Mike Grafmyer seconded the **motion**. **Yes**-Mike Grafmyer, Jim Wells, Ron Gabbett, Jim Jensen, John Owens. **Motion passed.**

Louis Meyer-SGM:

Kjome states that he and Wells researched the Roundtable Grant and they would have had to jump in really quickly therefore pushing back the start date of updating the master plan. They didn't feel this feasible and would rather get started on the master plan. Meyer says a lot of money comes from oil and gas revenues which we all know that the industry has been down the last few years ultimately limiting the amount of funding available. Gabbett asks if there is funding available for the master plan right now. Meyer replies he does believe there is still money available, but he is not 100% sure.

Meyer compiled a scope of work of what he believes the NWC's priorities are, but he is here to find out the actual priorities. Kjome believes we did pretty well with the last pond run, but he would like to see more onsite storage. His next priority would be pumping from the river, what will it take to make that

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happen and can it happen? Grafmyer says we need to acquire right away for the 10 inch line that they want to eventually install from the blue storage tank back to the treatment plant, as well as water tanks on the airport road and deer mesa. Lippert's second choice is an alternative water source such as the river. Jensen says we can't let the infrastructure go too long due to the condition it is already in especially considering the number of repairs that are happening. The board believes that storage is the number one priority. Louis would like to look at the hill side where the water would be pumped from the river to see how feasible it would be. Board agrees that is a good idea. Meyer states they also put in the plan what to expect in the future, such as how much and when you should need to make repairs to certain lines and equipment. He believes the update will take about 6 month to complete and typically a master plan has a life span of about 20 years.

Motion by Mike Grafmyer to partner with SGM for a new master plan for the NWC. Ron Gabbett seconded the **motion**. **Yes-** Mike Grafmyer, Jim Wells, Jim Jensen, Ron Gabbett, John Owens. **Motion passed.**

Gabbett asks Kjome if he was able to get the service map printed, which Kjome states he did. Patti brought the map down to show the board.

Old Business:

Staff Reports/Announcements

Public Works Director's Report:

Lippert states they had a water leak in Redvale just before Christmas. They had difficulty finding a supplier to accommodate the parts they needed. It took about 30 hours to complete.

Chlorine & Turbidity Reports/Fluoride Report/Submitted:

TTHM's came in low. Other reports were submitted.

Water Production versus Usage:

83%

Board Member Reports:

Administration Reports:

Patti states there is an article in front of them from Colorado Municipal League. They were impressed with the raw water and broadband project and they wanted to feature a story about it. She also handed out a Snotel report just for informational purposes. She did go online and we do already have a list of tips on our website about water conservation. She said we can certainly expand the list if we need to and also send it out with the bills. Only 7% of our water customers are using over 5000 gallons. If she takes out the agriculture and the customers with leaks that leaves only 5% that are above 5000 gallons. She believes for the most part that the customers are very careful with their water. Kjome says we could think about sending letters to the customers who continue to have high usages encouraging them to be mindful that we are still conserving water at this time.

Patti states they are working through the personnel policy. Once they get something concrete with the Town Board, they will sit down with the Water Board personnel committee and Sanitation Board personnel committee.

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Adjourn:

Motion by Mike Grafmyer to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 P.M. Ron Gabbett seconded the **motion**.
Yes- Mike Grafmyer, Jim Wells, Jim Jensen, Ron Gabbett, John Owens. ***Motion passed.***

Approved:

Approved As Corrected:

Date:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Jensen". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "M".

2/13/19