

Norwood Water Commission
Tuesday July 9th, 2019-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 7:03P.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 (late), Jim Wells, Jim Jensen, John Owens

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

Absent: Ron Gabbett

Others: Sonny Lee, Lori Herndon, Nancy Heim

Review/Consider Consent Agenda:

Motion by Jim Wells to approve the June 11th, 2019 minutes and July 2019 bills and accounts as presented. Jim Jensen seconded the **motion**. Jensen asked if they had to replace a pump. Lippert says yes they had to replace one tower pump and they are rebuilding the old one. Jensen also asked if the line item for Stephen Johnson was for the water filing. Patti says yes it is. **Yes**-Jim Wells, Jim Jensen, John Owens. **Motion passed.**

Board Member Additions to Agenda:

Public Walk-In Period:

Nancy Heim would like to ask about the dam on the Gurley Reservoir. Does the water board have any information? Lippert says he does have an update. There was a slip on the dam. The state engineer told them to lower the reservoir to 50%. Farmers Water hired a company called Davis Engineering and they are assessing the situation and developing a plan for a repair, which they are hoping to have done by early fall. They did set storage today at .35 cfs. It's about half of what we would usually get. They were hoping to go a couple more weeks however they were losing about 20% per day. FWDC always holds water in storage for us so, we should be fine through April of 2020.

Raw water has been running ½ cfs a day. Lippert says we should be well into September with the raw water before they need to turn it off. As of right now, it is on an every other day schedule, however they can always regulate it more if needed.

Heim has been hearing that Vaquero Ventures is planning on building a Dollar General in town and she is wondering how the NWC feels about it and what it will do to the water system. Kjome says he has not heard anything about it. Patti explains there is nothing concrete right now however this particular company has looked at 3 different properties but to our knowledge there is no contract. Kjome says if it is similar to the other family dollar/ dollar general stores, they don't typically use much water.

New Business:

Old Business:

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Kjome is impressed with the raw water system. He believes watering every other day is a better schedule.

Staff Reports/Announcements

Public Works Director's Report:

Lippert states all the reports came back fine. They had to add 10 more lead and copper sampling sites. He received a violation letter stating they have to evaluate every testing site. He has a call into the state to get a better understanding of what they are looking for. Kjome believes it depends on the age of the house, which unfortunately a lot of the houses here are older.

The fiber optic cable is still being installed along the highway. They do take up a lot of time with all of the locates and the repairs that have had to be done.

The raw water system is doing great. He has a lot of help from Wilton and Bobby with Farmers Water and they make adjustments as needed and then let Tim know. Now that free flow has stopped they have come up with a plan and will adjust as needed.

Kjome would like to bring something up. He thinks it would be nice to offer to assist Farmers Water in whatever they need with the dam repair since they have been so helpful and supportive of water commission. The board agrees with offering them their support.

Kjome asks about the splash pad. Patti states it is open from 11 to 7 daily, she says that it really doesn't use an exorbitant amount of water and confirmed that the splash pad is on the potable water system.

Chlorine & Turbidity Reports/Fluoride Report/Submitted:

Water Production versus Usage:

Board Member Reports:

Administration Reports:

Karen Gugliemonie, San Miguel County representative to the Basin Roundtable, presented a report to the Norwood Board of Trustees and Patti shared the report with Board. Within 6 months the Roundtable would like to have a list of projects that the NWC would like to complete in the future. We can add as many viable projects that the board sees fit. If they are on that list it is a little easier process when they go to apply for funding. Wells states because of the state's drought contingency plan, they want you to be able to show how these projects fall in line with the plan. Wells has a meeting tomorrow so he will be able to update more at the next meeting. The board will just keep this matter on the agenda and discuss in future meetings.

Patti informed the Board that this is Michelle's last meeting; they had probably seen the employment ad in the paper. They have had 4 applicants, 1 had already taken another position but she has interviewed the other 3. She will go over the applicants with Finn tonight and she already spoke to Ron. They will be upgrading Caselle which requires a lot of training as well as training a new employee.

Adjourn:

Motion by Mike Grafmyer to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 P.M. Jim Wells seconded the **motion**. Yes- Mike Grafmyer, Jim Wells, Jim Jensen, John Owens. **Motion passed.**

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Approved:

Approved As Corrected:

Date:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matt Boyer", written over the "Approved:" label.

8-13-19