

Norwood Water Commission
Tuesday September 11th, 2018-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 7:02P.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

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

Absent: John Owens

Others: Lucinda Carr, Nancy Heim, Linda Check, Leila Seraphin

Review/Consider Consent Agenda:

Motion by Mike Grafmyer to approve the August 14th, 2018 minutes and September 2018 bills and accounts as presented. Jim Wells seconded the **motion**. Kjome would like to add "per month" to Gabbett's statement "the amount of water the water shack puts out is about the production of 1 day at the treatment plant". Mike Grafmyer amends his **motion** to approve the August 14th, 2018 minutes and the September 2018 bills and accounts with the changes made. Jim Wells seconds the amended **motion**. **Yes**-Mike Grafmyer, Jim Wells, Finn Kjome, Jim Jensen. **Motion passed.**

Board Member Additions to Agenda:

Public Walk-In Period:

Linda Check is here just to thank the board. She said that they have been here for nearly 40 years and built their house hoping for a suitable well, which did not pan out. She says she appreciates the fact that they have been able to count on the water shack and that is what they rely on.

Carr, Heim, and Seraphin are just here to listen.

New Business:

Old Business:

Drought Plan:

Patti did have a short conversation with Lewis from SGM about the master plan which she said they are interested and she thought they may already have an updated master plan from 2009. Kjome would like numbers between now and the next meeting so they can formalize a contract with the chosen engineer. Kjome says they need to start thinking about what their next project would be. He thought maybe replacing the line coming into town, but he is now thinking maybe building the reservoirs for the water storage we could pump out of the river. Nancy Heim asks if there is any funding available to repair the water line? Kjome replies probably not. She also asks if the 2 reservoirs they are talking about building could store farmer's water as well? The Board believes that they can, it does not have to be specifically for water from the river.

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Discussion of Water Filing 202 and 203:

Patti emailed with Pete Foster as well as Steve Johnson. He believes it will cost around 4 to 5000 to file due diligence. Kjome talked to Erik Bikas and he stated that their hourly rate is better than Wright Water Engineers. He also stated he would be happy to work with Steve Johnson on this. Kjome would like to ask Steve what help he needs instead of putting a whole engineering plan together. The Board would like to spend as little money as possible for this water filing due to the fact they do not feel this is a priority over some of their other projects. Patti will contact Steve Johnson and ask him how much it would be to have a work session with him.

Staff Reports/Announcements

Public Works Director's Report:

Lippert reports the reservoirs are extremely low which makes the water quality much harder to treat. He did contact Wilton Barrett with Farmers and they are going to do a pond run September 22 which will top off the reservoirs. They are hoping to do another pond run in November but regardless they are holding 1000 acre feet of water back for the town.

Lippert states they handed out letters for high users, which only 50 were customers not complying. Most of those users were watering livestock or had leaks. A couple had green lawns, but very few. The received another LT2 violation, however the lab's records department is not good at the moment, so Tim tracked down the lab result and he faxed it to them. Next Tuesday is the last LT2 sample.

There is a water seminar in Nucla on Water law so he and Roger will be attending.

Lippert is thinking about going with a different company in order to access the Water Treatment Plant remotely. He says they can still use Team viewer to access the water plant, but he believes that company is phasing out. He handed out a form of the different plans we can choose from which he likes plan 2. He is also thinking about putting a skid on the backflows which would save about 1 million gallons of water per month. He will have quotes for the board very soon. There may be some funding out there for this kind of project.

Chlorine & Turbidity Reports/Fluoride Report/Submitted:

Water Production versus Usage:

84%, 5.5 Million gallons produced

Board Member Reports:

Kjome would like the Snyder leak cleaned up

Administration Reports:

Patti states she will be gone next week and Kjome will be gone the 17th for the entire week.

Adjourn:

Motion by Mike Grafmyer to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 P.M. Jim Wells seconded the **motion**. **Yes-** Mike Grafmyer, Jim Wells, Jim Jensen, Finn Kjome. **Motion passed.**

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Approved:

Approved As Corrected:

Date:

Michelle Jensen

10/10/18