

Norwood Water Commission  
Tuesday November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022- Regular Meeting  
Norwood Community Center 7:00 P.M.

**Call to Order:**

Ron Gabbett called the regular meeting of the Norwood Water Commission to order at 7:07P.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, **Vice Chairman** – Finn Kjome, Brad Campbell, Jim Wells, Mike Grafmyer and Jim Jensen

**Staff:**               Patti Grafmyer – Administrator, Shawntel Darby-Turner – Secretary and Randy Harris – ORC

**Absent:**

**Others:**           Ray Cossey, John Bockrath and Kathryn Westscott

**Via Zoom –**

**Review/Consent Agenda:**

There was a **Motion** by Finn Kjome to approve the October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 minutes and the November 2022 bills and accounts as presented. Mike Grafmyer seconded the **motion**. **All** voted **yes**. **Motion passed.**

**Board Member Additions to Agenda:**

**Public Walk-In Period:**

Ray Cossey asked to speak. Ron Gabbett explained that the NWC Board could not speak with him until his appeal was settled and that if he had any further questions, he could ask the staff.

**New Business:**

**a) John Bockrath – Permission to Use Fire Hydrants for Training**

John Bockrath would like permission to use the fire hydrant across the street from the fire department for training his people on how to do a hydrant connection/transfer. John explained that in the past Tim Lippert had told him that when John does this it breaks water lines. John also explained that he is concerned about testing all the fire hydrants annually. John states that currently, in order to teach his people how to do a hydrant connection he has to go to Placerville to train. Randy Harris says that his biggest concern regarding the hydrants is not getting notified of training in case the tanks are low or so he can make sure his crew is ready in case anything goes wrong. John said that he would give Randy a training schedule. Finn Kjome asked if the fire department was willing to put up some money if we do have a break. John said no. Mike Grafmyer asked if the fire department was using the proper valve when training as that keeps the water lines from being hammered. John said he would get the valve tomorrow, if necessary. Mike responded that if he gets the proper valve and notifies Randy at least a week in advance then it should be fine. Finn Kjome said that he would like updates regarding anything that happens in relation to the trainings.

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Mike Grafmyer made a **motion** to approve the Norwood Fire Department to use the fire hydrant across the street from them for training once they get the proper valve and notify Randy Harris at least a week in advance, via phone call. Jim Wells seconded the **motion**. All voted **yes**. **Motion passed**.

**Old Business:**

a) Continued Discussion Regarding Funding

Finn Kjome gave an update to the NWC Board regarding the CWCB grant. He stated that Lauren had a conference call with CWCB, and she will take the offer they give us. Finn is also still waiting on Chad to come back with all the updated numbers.

**Staff Reports/Announcements**

a) Public Works Director's Report

Randy Harris states that it has been a busy month. He was finally able to finish the air vac by the cemetery. There was a water main break out by the Snyder's. He finished the pump house and pressure tanks on Mountain View, installed new plumbing and would like to do a whole new pumphouse in the spring. The reservoirs have been topped off at 36 and a half acre feet. We have 1/4 foot coming in. The reservoir is dropping 2 inches per day. We do have the option to fill up at the end of November. All tests came back good.

b) Board Members Reports

c) Administrative Reports

Patti Grafmyer let the NWC Board know that the cistern design has been received from SGM. Randy Harris states that he doesn't see the altitude valve. Patti will send the schematic for study.

The Calvillo's lost their water tank during the water breaks in September. NWC paid a \$500 claim.

Patti asked the Board to consider lump sum retention bonuses as the employees only received 2% cost of living raises when everything actually went up approximately 8 and a half percent over the last year. She will send the proposed retention gratuity out to the Board.

**Adjourn:**

**Motion** by Mike Grafmyer to adjourn the meeting at 7:46P.M. Jim Wells seconded the **motion**. All voted **yes**. **Motion passed**.

**Approved:**

**Approved As Corrected:**

**Date:**



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