

Norwood Water Commission  
Tuesday March 10, 2015-Regular Meeting  
Norwood Community Center 7:00 P.M.

**Call to Order:**

Vice-Chairman Jim Wells called the regular meeting of the Norwood Water Commission to order at 7:03 P.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:** Ron Gabbett, Mike Grafmyer, Finn Kjome, Jim Wells

**Staff:** Patti Grafmyer-Administrator, Michelle Spor-Secretary, & Tim Lippert-ORC

**Absent:** Chairman- Mike Morlang

**Others:** none

**Review/Consider Consent Agenda:**

Finn Kjome points out that in the February minutes under Board Member Reports, CDPHE should be CWBC.

**Motion** by Finn Kjome to approve the February 10, 2015 minutes and the March 2015 bills and accounts as presented. Mike Grafmyer seconded the motion. **Yes-** Mike Grafmyer, Ron Gabbett, Finn Kjome, Jim Wells. **Motion passed.**

**Board Member Additions to Agenda:** none

**Public Walk-In Period:** none

**New Business:**

**Rate Structure from NWC Rules and Regulations:**

Kjome asked Patti to put this on the agenda. He thought NWC had a tiered water structure to try to help with water conservation. Grafmyer explains the current rate structure to Kjome. Kjome suggests thinking about incorporating the tiered system if we develop a lot of high water users. Lippert gives a history of how the NWC rate structure came about. Board decides to wait to see how the raw water system turns out before they revisit this topic. Wells suggests the step system like we already have implemented and then incorporating the tiered system after an excessive gallons of water have been used.

**Letter of Intent from Jim Jensen for Rural Board Member:**

Patti contacted Robert Bray, Secretary of the San Miguel Water Conservancy District, and asked him to expedite this approval in order to fill the rural board member position. Bray was in the process of contacting his board members to get the approval, but we are still waiting to hear back from him. Patti asks if she can contact Stephen Johnson to see what it would take for the board to be able to appoint their own board members.

**Old Business:** none

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**Staff Reports/Announcements**

**Public Works Director's Report:** 1) Chlorine & Turbidity Reports/Fluoride Report/Submitted. Tim Lippert informed the Board that all of the monthly reports have been submitted to CDPHE. Lippert states that all water tests are now going to a portal so we won't be doing anymore quarterly reports. They will now be automatically recorded and filed.

Lippert reports that NWC sold a water-tap today.

2) Water Production versus Usage. -36% Lippert explains the leaks on y-43 and 45y and he thinks he knows how to repair it now. There is also a leak at the Redvale firehouse. They were excavating around the firehouse today to try to locate the leak, but were interrupted by a fire call. Y-43/45Y is scheduled to be repaired in April. Lippert and his crew are going to start accuracy meter testing this year. Kjome states that our goal should be around 10%. Grafmyer recommends recirculating backwash water. Board Discussion followed.

Lippert reports to the board that he thinks he may have the solution for the installation of a water tap in a low pressure zone. He researched the pneumatic tank system and thinks it will work. It is called the Aah Haa system and it was engineered by West Water Engineering. Lippert stated that he believes that CDPHE does not have to approve it because it is an all closed system. Kjome recommends that the valve be tested once a year just to be safe. Gabbett asks for the information they have on this system. Lippert says he will make a copy of it for everyone to have.

**Board Member Reports:**

Finn Kjome agrees to go to the CWBC meeting in Broomfield. Patti says to call and reserve a room and then we will send a credit card with him to pay for his expenses.

Wells report back on the Farmers Water meeting, 2 seats were up but they just nominated the same 2 people so the board remained the same. He reports that a lot of water was coming in and that the reservoir is pretty full as of now.

**Administrative Reports:**

Patti says that there will be a flaggers certification class the 26<sup>th</sup> of this month at 8am at the firehouse.

**Adjourn:**

**Motion** by Mike Grafmyer to adjourn the meeting at 7:50P.M. Ron Gabbett seconded the motion. **Yes-** Mike Grafmyer, Finn Kjome, Jim Wells, Ron Gabbett. **Motion passed.**

**Approved:**



**Approved As Corrected:**

**Date:**

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