

WATER DISTRICT 19
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Tuesday, March 10, 2009

REGULAR MEETING
6:30 PM

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Water District 19 was held at the district office. Those in attendance were President **Frank Jackson**, Commissioners **Steve Haworth** and **Richard Bard**, General Manager **Jeff Lakin**, Operations Lead **Armin Wahanik** and Office Administrator **Melody Snyder**. Visitors present were Doug Wood, Steve Abel, Gary Schoch, Marty Liebowitz, Allen de Steiguer, Martin Koenig, Evan Simmons, Mark Graham, Truman O'Brien and Ann Leda Shapiro.

VISITOR BUSINESS

- Doug Wood with the Department of Ecology (DOE) attended by invitation to make a presentation regarding the rulemaking process for rainwater collection/harvesting and the future of this water resource on Vashon Island, within the boundaries of Water District 19 and specifically the possibility of a collection and treatment system being implemented at K2. Mr. Wood informed the Board that DOE prefers water purveyors to have jurisdiction over rainwater harvesting system permitting within their own boundaries. He further stated they preferred Water District 19 be the permit holder for the system proposed for K2. Several visitors asked questions for clarification and about the possible problems of the District pursuing such an action. Mr. Wood presented maps showing K2 lies within closed basin boundaries, but he also showed a possible revision of those boundaries that he had made. Mr. Wood estimated the entire process for a rainwater harvest permit at K2 would take one to two years. Commissioners Haworth and Jackson indicated a preference for using rainwater for irrigation, rather than potable water. The potential difficulties of developing such an innovative project and maintaining the system long-term were discussed.
- Gary Schoch – Mr. Schoch attended to bring a request before the Board regarding the time expiration to install his meters according to his completed Applications for Water Service. Mr. Schoch stated work is progressing with King County to get various aspects of his development approved but he will need more time. **Commissioner Bard** made a Motion to table any action concerning Gary Schoch's meter installations and water service units for the next six months to allow the **Board** to complete their review of the master resolution process. **Commissioner Haworth** seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

1. OPERATIONS REPORT –

- Q&A – Predict lower stream flows this summer due to below average rainfall this winter. Well 4 drawdown analysis indicates level is lower by about 30 ft. while the pump is running compared to one year ago. The District should plan to budget for a redevelopment next year, pending more data analysis by Landau Associates. New integration improvements at the treatment plant are showing a benefit to filter effluent turbidities. A week of system flushing will begin next week. Quartermaster Drive and Kingsbury will be the areas flushed. **Jeff Lakin** discussed the need to add pressure reducing valves to the system in the future to better control high system pressures in the lower zone. Armin is planning to monitor pressures in the lower zone during flushing. Commissioner Jackson inquired about the possibility of observing distribution turbidity during normal daily chlorine tests, to better ascertain the causes of brown water, and whether continuously monitoring pressures in the lower zone was practical.

2. OTHER BUSINESS

- Accessory Dwelling Units – In 2006, Emma Amiad came before the **Board** requesting a review of our Accessory Dwelling policy requiring a separate water unit for service. Various considerations were discussed including the interests of stakeholder groups. The Board came to a consensus that it

is prudent to bring this process to conclusion. The **Board** requested that **Jeff Lakin** draw up a draft policy statement for review by the next Board meeting.

- Dockton Water Association billing service proposal – **Jeff Lakin** has forwarded a draft billing service contract to Kelly Richardson from the Dockton Water Association who will present it to their board for review. **Commissioner Haworth** made a Motion to approve of the drafted billing service contract that had been submitted to the Dockton Water Association. **Commissioner Bard** seconded the Motion. Motion passed. **Commissioner Jackson** does not support providing contract services, and believes that this has no benefit to District customers and would have a negative impact due to the distraction from our present problems.
 - Conservation- one toilet and one rain barrel were issued in February.
 - Comp Plan - **Jeff Lakin** has not contacted DOH or King County since the revised documents were forwarded by PACE on February 25. Estimate timeline from King County in the second quarter of 2009. There is no timeline estimate from DOH.
 - Emergency Response Plan status - **Commissioner Bard** completed general revisions and assembling the master document. **Jeff Lakin** has revised appendix A and added vulnerability assessment language to the disaster specific responses. Final version to be approved at the next Board meeting.
 - Beall Well update - Kyle Pettibone of RH2 forwarded a request for quote from HD Fowler for the 60” pipe needed for the ammonia contact vessel. He has also sent a letter to Sheri Miller at DOH for review which will take approximately 30 days. No construction may take place until DOH review is complete.
 - Sunflower Developer Extension – there has been no activity at the site.
3. **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT** – P&L statement shows the District is still in a good financial position. Power and chemicals for the wells appear to be over budget. The Board was presented a Resolution transferring \$50,000.00 from the Maintenance Fund to the Construction Fund for the Beall Well project. **Commissioner Haworth** made a Motion to approve the Resolution as presented. **Commissioner Bard** seconded the Motion. Resolution 1129 approved unanimously. **Jeff Lakin** reported that the Medical plan costs are increasing approximately 28%. Modifications to the existing plan are being reviewed to bring costs to within the approved budgeted amount.
 4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Tuesday, February 24th, 2009 – **Commissioner Jackson** made a Motion to approve the minutes as edited. **Commissioner Bard** seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously. Thursday, March 5th, 2009 – **Commissioner Jackson** made a Motion to approve the minutes as edited. **Commissioner Bard** seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously.
 5. **APPROVE VOUCHERS**
 6. **SIGN APPROVED MINUTES IN BOOK**
 7. **ADJOURNED AT 10:25 PM**