

WATER DISTRICT 19
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Tuesday, April 14, 2015

REGULAR MEETING
4:00 PM

Meeting came to order at 4:01 PM

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held in the District Board room. Those in attendance were President **Richard Bard**, Commissioners **Bob Powell** and **Jenny Bell**, General Manager **Jeff Lakin**, Operations Lead **Armin Wahanik** and Office Administrator **Melody Snyder**. Visitor's present were Michael Masi and Doug Hoffmann

1. VISITOR BUSINESS

- EAU LLC (O Space) Certificate of Water Availability – Karen Biondo representing the O Space remodel had intended to bring in an engineering report on anticipated water consumption during peak demand at the facility but did not. She will attend the May meeting and present the required report.
- Mike Masi – Water Units – Mr. Masi presented information regarding his research on viable developments for his property on SW Gorsuch Road. He has decided to pursue an “affordable housing” model. He petitioned the Board to consider options for making affordable housing possible by specifically receiving a variance on how water units are valued thus allowing for more living units on his parcel. He stated financing is available for a 40 – 48 living unit development. **Commissioners Bard** and **Powell** stated they recognize the need for affordable housing but a variance to current policy is not possible. **Commissioner Bell** echoed the risks of a variance. Mr. Masi stated he’ll purchase the units currently offered to him and perhaps sell the property.

2. BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION

- Approval of minutes – Tuesday, March 10, 2014 – **Commissioner Powell** moved to approve the minutes as presented; **Commissioner Bard** seconded the motion. Passed by a unanimous vote.
- Ridge Road Phase 5 award of contract – **General Manager Lakin** state reference checks for Iversen and Sons are complete and satisfactory. **Commissioner Powell** moved to approve **General Manager Lakin** to sign the contract with Iversen and Sons for the Ridge Road Phase 5 project in the amount of \$110,030.26; **Commissioner Bard** seconded the motion. Passed by a unanimous vote.
- Capacity Study Approval – **Commissioner Bard** moved to approve the publishing of the Capacity Study Report as presented; **Commissioner Powell** seconded the motion, passed by a unanimous vote. The report will be posted on the website and sent to the local library. **General Manager Lakin** suggested that at the next regular meeting the Board consider releasing more water units. The Board was in agreement.
- Disinfection Byproducts – **Operations Lead Wahanik** reported samples collected in March Results pending. He anticipates the study will take 6 – 8 months for sufficient data collection and analysis. Chlorine pump replacements on order for the wellfield. The annual aquifer recharge is planned for May into June.
- District Statement of Values discussion – **Commissioner Bard** presented a concise overview of what issues will help him frame a Statement of Values and encouraged **Commissioners Powell and Bell** to develop the same prior to a special meeting dedicated to the process. After a brief discussion, the Board scheduled a special meeting to be held on May 14th, 2015 @ 10:00 AM.

3. OPERATIONS REPORT

- Chlorine feed modifications at the well field – **Operations Lead Wahanik** reiterated the details of chlorination chemistry and the formation of disinfection byproducts (DBPs). Staff has discussed this at length and determined that until sampling results are completed later this year no specific mitigation plans can be developed. Wahanik warned that significant investment in treatment prior to chlorination may be the only viable solution to DBP reduction.

4. ADMINISTRATION REPORT

- Website modifications – review of development options still ongoing. Looking into web development tools provided by GoDaddy for free.
- Sunflower development – Contractor working with King County for permit renewal.
- The Lodges of Vashon development – earthwork completed. The developer is waiting for feedback from the Fire Marshal to enable the District to determine the required size of the water meter.
- Comprehensive Plan update – the Board and staff reviewed Statements of Qualifications (SOQs) of five engineering consulting firms. The Board short listed Carollo Engineers, RH2 Engineering and Gray & Osborne Engineers and requested they submit an addendum to their SOQs listing clients who are of similar size to the District from the last two years. **Commissioner Bell** was not clear on Washington State Law regarding the choosing and contracting of engineering consultants and requested **General Manager Lakin** forward the statute citation.
- Island Spring conservation visit – **General Manager Lakin** made a site visit to Island Spring Organics for the purpose of a tour and conversation to determine opportunities for saving water. Lakin stated that Island Spring has proven that they have been proactive in their own conservation research. Tofu production is water intensive and potable water is required for all phases of the operation. Their focus currently is waste expense reduction. **Commissioner Bell** would like to revisit Island Spring to gather information about basic usage and ask them if there were ways the District could be of assistance to them.
- Resolution #1163 – There is a surplus of funds in the District’s maintenance fund which needs to be transferred to the District’s depreciation fund. **Commissioner Bard** made a Motion to transfer \$50,000.00 from the Maintenance Fund to the Depreciation Fund; **Commissioner Powell** seconded the Motion. Passed by a unanimous vote.

SIGN APPROVED MINUTES IN BOOK

Meeting Concluded at 6:50 PM