

MINUTES

Board of Commissioners Meeting

February 10, 2009

Those present were LWD Board members BarbeAnn Nelson-Dodson, Ron Smith, Dennis Carter, and Brian Earls. Also present: Nan Hall – Bend-La Pine Schools, Sharon Smith – legal counsel for Bend-La Pine Schools, Steve Hannas – engineer with WH Pacific, John Rexford – Bend-La Pine Schools, Kitty Shields – La Pine City Council rep, Dick Nored, Scott Perkins – District Operator and Donna Zigler – Operations Manager.

A quorum was established and President BarbeAnn Nelson-Dodson called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Minutes of previous meetings: Dennis made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2009 Board of Commissioners meeting as presented. Seconded by Brian. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Old Business:

Water Rights – Update: No update yet.

Payroll through Advantax: Ron made a motion to table this item until the La Pine Special Sewer District makes a decision. Seconded by Dennis. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Unauthorized Use Penalty – La Pine Schools: BarbeAnn stated her dissatisfaction with the school's counter offer of \$50.00 for the penalty assessed when school district employees turned the water off to all District customers north of Memorial Lane. District counsel offered half (\$1,250.00) and Sharon Smith, counsel for the school district, countered with \$50.00. BarbeAnn feels we should insist on making them pay the entire amount due to the fact that customers were affected by the school's misconduct, whereas in the past when unauthorized use penalties were assessed, they were assessed to contractors not using hydrant meters and that no customers were affected in any way.

New Business:

Nan Hall – Bend-La Pine Schools – New Elementary and High School Expansion: John Rexford, Nan Hall, Steve Hannas and Sharon Smith all attended today's meeting to discuss placement of water lines for the new elementary school.

Mr. Rexford began by explaining the new school will have two wings of 150 students each. He would like to come to a reasonable compromise on the issue of water line placement. BarbeAnn stated that it seems more cost effective for the lines to go north up Huntington Road to Burgess Road, then east on Burgess to tie in with the water line coming out of Crescent Creek. She also stated that the District does not to be responsible for water lines on school property. Brian stated the District does not want to cause the schools any financial difficulties, but that we have standards that need to be followed.

Dick said that by changing the offsite plans, it will affect the onsite plans and that the District's requirements have been made clear to the school district more than once. Ms. Smith and Mr. Rexford provided a copy of the master plan they received. Dick said the page they received was incorrect as it was for Deschutes County's Crescent Creek subdivision.

Mr. Hannas will revise both on and offsite improvements and provide 3 copies to the District. BarbeAnn stated she would like a copy for herself.

BarbeAnn also explained that the water system development charges (SDCs) will be increasing. She explained that if they pay the SDCs as soon as possible, it will save them a lot of money.

Review IGA with City of La Pine: Kitty Shields, counselor for the City of La Pine attended today's meeting to let us know that she would be acting as the liaison between the city and the District. Doug Ward is the alternate. After reviewing the IGA, Brian made a motion to accept the revised IGA. Seconded by Dennis. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Donna to Attend Local Budget Law Workshop – March 12, 2009: Donna will be attending this workshop.

Hiring of Additional Utility Worker: After brief discussion, the Board asked Scott and Donna to prepare the ad for review at the next meeting.

Financial Reports: Dennis made a motion to accept the financial reports as presented. Seconded by Brian. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Payment of Bills: Brian made a motion to pay all bills as presented to the Board. Seconded by Dennis. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Correspondence List: The correspondence list was reviewed.

There being no further business, President BarbeAnn Nelson-Dodson adjourned the meeting at 2:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Donna Zigler
Operations Manager