

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS THREE LAKES WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT

HELD

Monday, July 10, 2017
6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building
1111 County Road 48
Grand Lake, CO 80447

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Three Lakes Water and Sanitation District was held in accordance with the applicable Statutes of the State of Colorado.

The following Directors were present and acting:

Pat Farmer
Dan Knox
Les Shankland
Julie Gasner

Others present: See attached
Sally Blea and Mike Gibboni, Staff

CALL TO ORDER

Acting Chairman Knox called the meeting to order and opened for discussion the first agenda item.

INTRODUCTIONS OF PUBLIC PRESENT

Per attached List

Nominations for Board Positions

The Acting Chair then called for nominations for the position of Chairman. By nomination and 2nd, Director Knox was elected Chairman by a unanimous vote and accepted the position. He then called for nominations for the Vice Chairman position (since this position became vacant with the acceptance of his position as Chairman). By nomination and 2nd Pat Farmer was elected Vice Chairman by unanimous vote and accepted the position.

MINUTES

By **MOTION** and second, and by unanimous vote, the June 12, 2017 Minutes were approved as presented.

MATTERS BEFORE THE BOARD

Public Hearing: proposed line extension from Grand Avenue at Sunnyside Drive and extending east across West Portal Road, a distance of 271 feet

Chairman Knox opened the public hearing and called for public comment on the proposed extension as was discussed at the June Board meeting. Comments were made as follows:

1. Mike Bantum, Lot 32 North Sunnyside Addition to Grand Lake: He stated that he is building a house and just completed the installation of a septic tank that required the installation of a wall at a cost of \$20,000.
2. James Kish, Lot 28 North Sunnyside Addition to Grand Lake: he stated that he has an existing temporary variance with the District. He further commented that he would like to see connections on a voluntary basis
3. Jo Cowgill, taxpayer in District: expressed her desire that the Board delay a decision to extend until the Board has determined a philosophy on septic tanks, believing that compelled connection requirements should be determined based on perk ability of properties, not the 400' rule adopted by the Board.

4. Will O'Donnell, taxpayer in District: expressed his opinion that temporary variances be perpetual and that those variances should be relied upon for the long term. He stated that marketability is affected and believes it is unfair to ratepayers to be paying \$40,000 on a septic system that is subject to abandonment at some time in the future. He also believes that the District should pay for main line extensions. He is in favor of the District expansion but does not like the uncertainty that a temporary variance subjects property owners to. Taxpayers should receive a benefit from their investment. He noted that Summit County now allows a septic tank inspection with every real estate transaction and is bothered that the District, if it were to go to that policy, would have to allow a repair, as opposed to a connection, or further uncertainty is exposed. The Board responded that temporary variances expire with the sale of a property or a failed septic tank.

5. Patricia Goode, Lot 34, North Sunnyside Addition to Grand Lake: wrote letter in support of the extension

6. Scott Munn representing Patricia Good: Spoke in favor of the extension

There being no further comments, the public portion of the hearing was then closed. The Board, having considered the comments stated, expressed their opinion that the concept to extend the short distance, to help with long term planning for service into Sunnyside Addition to Grand Lake, is a good idea if it can be completed at a reasonable cost. Sally noted that once a compelled connection order is given to those improved properties affected, they may come before the Board to take up the matter of a temporary variance. A future workshop will help to determine how the Board will proceed with septic tanks and line extensions for the future. By **MOTION** and second the Board by unanimous vote directed staff to move forward with obtaining a bid on the proposed short extension for consideration at the August Board meeting.

Tom Stanley, 195 GCR 48 – Temporary Variance request

Sally noted that a temporary variance for this property has expired. Tom Stanley noted that his house sits on a 30-acre parcel in Gudgel Subdivision. He explained the two alternatives for connection, tapping into a sewer main located on Holly Lane in Columbine Lake Subdivision and the other into a sewer main located on the development he created next to this parcel. The latter would require a service line of a little over 200' into a manhole but there is a lake that would have to be crossed – a 40' drop to the bottom of the lake with dewatering required. He presented a bid for a 400' connection into a sewer main on Holly Lane from ATH Specialties in the amount of \$39,850.00. He stated the house has had very light use and is not occupied at this time. A just completed septic tank inspection indicated that the septic tank was working properly. The Board determined that it is not practical to require the connection because the topography will not allow the connection without extreme hardship and that the public health or environment will not be adversely affected if the variance was granted. By **MOTION** and second the Board voted unanimously to approve the temporary variance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jo Cowgill commented that if the Board were thinking differently about ground water and septic systems, Mr. Stanley would not be in the situation of requesting a variance because of it being such a large parcel of land.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

By **MOTION**, second and unanimous vote, the checklist for the month of June was approved. The Financial documents for June were reviewed and accepted as presented.

MATTERS OF DISCUSSION AS BROUGHT FORTH BY BOARD MEMBERS

Director Farmer stated that the continuous personal attacks in the newspapers of Board and personnel are uncalled for. They are not an opinion – they are false information, she stated. She suggested that she be allowed to contact Drew Munroe to ask for help about a most recent editorial in the Winter Park Times, feeling that an apology is in order. Discussion further ensued about how to respond to articles or letters to the editor that contain false information or is a personal attack against a Board Member or staff. The Board agreed that a contact to each of the newspapers to request that at any time an article or letter to the editor in which the topic of discussion is this District, is going to be printed, that the District be contacted for a response to be printed below the article, or at least a short paragraph be inserted below the article, basically requesting that the

District office be contacted to further elaborate on the topic of discussion. This short response paragraph should be drafted and inserted on the website as well.

CHIEF OPERATOR REPORT

See attached written report. Mike also reported that during construction of replacement of the Lift Station at Lakeridge Subdivision, it was discovered that the force main is undersized for the new Lift Station. Approximately 300' of 2" force main will be replaced.

The Colorado Department of Health has denied our application for an extension to comply with new copper limits. After the Lead and Copper rule goes into effect, and we have a plan in place to meet the copper limits, we can submit another modification request. Our current compliance schedule does not end until December 31, 2018.

He reported that Northern Colorado has not been active with their nutrient removal project.

He also reported that the service agreement with Ambiente H2O is up for renewal. It will again be a five-year service contract to service 60 of the District's EONE Pumps.

DISTRICT MANAGER REPORT

She called for the setting of another meeting date with the Bonus Committee. The Committee agreed that the matter should be tabled indefinitely, perhaps even into the new year. A recent benefit/wage survey indicated that the District is in sync with current wages and benefits and helped ease those earlier concerns shared by Board Members.

The Hiring Committee is meeting once again on Thursday to interview the final two applicants. They will then choose the top three candidates that will be interviewed by the entire Board with July 31 and August 1 set aside for those dates.

The Board also chose to set aside the strategic planning workshop until both a new Board Member and the new District Manager can be present for those discussions.

Sally stated that the District's By-laws allow for payment to Board Members who attend meetings outside of District regular and special meetings, on behalf of the District. She will follow thru with payment for those specific meetings of the Committees appointed by the Board.

The iPad used by previous Director Heffron is being cleared of its contents and the Board has a choice to either present the iPad to him as a gift for his years of service to the District, or hold for use by his replacement. The Board agreed to present it to him as a gift as it has been in use for more than 2.5 years.

Sally reminded the Board that the SDA annual conference is scheduled for September 13 through the 15th.


The Quickbooks Budget report referred to by the Auditor is being worked on by the Bookkeeper and we can hopefully provide our first report to the Board at the September meeting for the month of August.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A **MOTION** was then made to enter in Executive Session under CRS Section 24-6-402(4)(f) for the purpose of discussing a recent personnel issue. By **MOTION** and second, the Board entered out of Executive Session.

With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.


Sally J Blea, Reporting Secretary


Julie Gasner, Secretary/Treasurer

ATTENDANCE RECORD

BOARD MEETING - July 10, 2017

THREE LAKES WATER & SANITATION DISTRICT

NAME	PROPERTY ADDRESS	EMAIL ADDRESS
1 Kirk Mcnesson	1524 Rd 47	cap70kirk@yahoo.com
2 Tom Stanley	195 CR 48	fstanexc@gmail.com
3 Scott Mundy	43 Pine Lake	scottmunda@att.net
4 Will O'Donnell	145 CR 4693	will.odonnell.q@gmail.com
5 JD Kish	323 GR 667	jdk@lagpa.com
6 Mike Bantum	316 CR 667	amosilver2002@yahoo.com
7 Charlene Marcus	316 CR 667	amosilver2002@yahoo.com
8 Jo Lagall	457 Riverview Rd.	grandlakeone@comcast.net
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July 2017
Chief Operator Report

Lift Stations /Call Outs:

All stations are operating properly.

The force main relocation at the Crouch/Crossland property on Grand Avenue as well as the Lakeridge (Rice) lift station projects have begun and should be finished by the middle of July. Once the Lakeridge Lift Station is complete, compelled connections will be issued for those existing improved properties within 400'.

ATH has discussed with me the fact that a gravity sewer main could be extended from the Lakeridge Lift Station down CR 472 approximately 300' if the District wanted to consider it. A previous design led us to believe that a gravity/force main was the answer to service remaining properties on the County Road. At the time that approach was expensive and the Board denied the extension. A 300' gravity line would make it easier and cleaner along the road way because it would eliminate service lines going down the road into the Lift Station. At this time, the budget does not support this extra work but we could budget for it for next year. Perhaps the compelled connections could be delayed until the extension occurs. As well, there are some improved properties just now building (with temporary variances) that would be affected.

Treatment Plant:

Operating normally. We continue to work with Kennedy/Jenks on the copper issues as well as Northern Water on the possible nutrient reduction and treatment. A few months ago, we asked CDPHE for an extension for compliance with the copper requirements. We have been denied. We will continue testing to determine the next course of action.

Water Systems:

1. North Shore: Operating normally.
2. Columbine: Operating normally.

Other:

The Columbine and Beach Lift stations are moving forward with construction to start in late August.

Mike