

**GRAND WATER & SEWER SERVICE AGENCY**  
**Full Board Meeting**  
**November 4, 2004**

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Pyatt at 7:24 p.m. at the Agency office, 3025 East Spanish Trail Road, Moab, Utah. Other Agency Board members present were Dan Holyoak, Tom Stengel, Brian Backus, Rex Tanner, Jerry McNeely, Al McLeod, Barbara Morra, James Walker, and Karla VanderZanden. Absent was Kyle Bailey and Gary Wilson. Those present established a quorum

Others present were Bill Love, Mike Bastian, Dave Cozzens, Stacey Boender, Marsha Modine and Dale Pierson.

**Minutes** Motion by Rex Tanner to approve the minutes of the meeting of October 21, 2004 with the following addition to the Financial Statement section: Barbara Morra asked why the M & O water budget was 129% of budget. Dale explained it was due to leaks. Second by Brian Backus. Tom Stengel-Aye, Dan Holyoak-Aye, Dan Pyatt-Aye, James Walker-Aye, Brian Backus-Aye, Rex Tanner-Aye, Jerry McNeely-Aye, Barbara Morra-Aye, Al McLeod-abstained and Karla VanderZanden-Abstained. MOTION CARRIED.

**Citizens to be Heard** Bill Love asked the Board to write a letter to the National Forest in support of reseeding the mountain with native grasses and removing cattle in the hopes of increasing percolation to the Glen Canyon Aquifer. Karla asked this item be placed on the next meeting's agenda.

**Preliminary 2005 Budget Hearing** The public hearing opened at 7:35. The Preliminary Budget was presented to the Board and discussed in detail. Dale explained that the numbers may change before the final budget hearing in December. Marsha explained that the M & O Water budget has increased in order to continue the installation of radio read meters. There was no public comment. The public hearing closed at 7:45. Motion by Tom Stengel to approve the 2005 Preliminary Budget as presented. Second by Karla VanderZanden. Tom Stengel- Aye, Dan Holyoak-Aye, Dan Pyatt-Aye, James Walker-Aye, Brian Backus-Aye, Rex Tanner-Aye, Jerry McNeely-Aye, Barbara Morra-Aye, Al McLeod-Aye and Karla VanderZanden-Aye. MOTION CARRIED.

Preliminary  
Budget Hearing

**Irrigation Season Report** Dale reported that the 2004 Irrigation Season ended with 0 percent of average storage in the Lake. The Lake levels are below the measuring devices. The Lake was drawn down for inspection and as a result four sinkholes were found and repaired. The system was drained on October 29<sup>th</sup> and the Lake is now filling.

**Mike Bastian – Water Bill Relief Request** Stacey Boender explained to the Board that Mr. Bastian had a leak from June through August that resulted in usage of roughly 700,000 gallons and an outstanding balance of \$822.67. Mr. Bastian explained that the leak was under the house and he did replace the lines and install a pressure reducer. However, he did not feel the leak was entirely his fault because the pressure to his service line varies greatly from time to time. Dale said the pressure regulator that governs Mr. Bastian's neighborhood has not had any problems or required any work and that of the roughly 100 people served by that regulator, only Mr. Bastian has reported a pressure problem. Dale also said that there is no state regulation for delivery system pressure. It is the customer's responsibility to regulate pressure to their home. After the Board asked several questions, Tom Stengel motioned that staff work out a reasonable payment plan with Mr. Bastian to bring back to the board for ratification. Second by Barbara Morra. Tom Stengel- Aye, Dan Holyoak-Aye, Dan Pyatt-Aye, James Walker-Aye, Brian Backus-Aye, Rex Tanner-Aye, Jerry McNeely-Aye, Barbara Morra-Aye, Al McLeod-Aye and Karla VanderZanden-Aye. MOTION CARRIED.

Mike Bastian  
Water Leak  
Request

**Report on System Leaks** Dale presented the board with a list of six leaks in 2003 and sixteen leaks in 2004. He said the reason for the increase in leaks is mainly due to aging lines. Although the 2004 leaks were spread out all over the system, the common denominator is that they all occurred on the part of the system built before 1985.

**Conservation Committee Membership Recommendation** Karla explained that the Conservation Committee wanted to formalize the structuring of the Committee. She presented the Committee's recommendations which were as follows: Committee membership will remain at five (5). Moab City representative will be added as an ex-officio member. Three (3) members will be from the GW&SSA Board. Two (2) members will be from the public at large. Terms of at large members will be for two (2) year. At large members may be re-appointed after two (2) years of service. The GW&SSA President will make appointments. The next appointment period will begin January 1, 2005. At large members may be from anywhere in the County but special consideration will be given to residents of the Spanish Valley drinking water and irrigation water service areas. Barbara suggested having an Improvement District representative. Karla and Dan both felt that was not important. Motion by Tom Stengel to accept the Conservation Committee's recommended structure as presented. Second by Dan Holyoak. Tom Stengel- Aye, Dan Holyoak-Aye, Dan Pyatt-Aye, James Walker-Aye, Brian Backus-Aye, Rex Tanner-Aye, Jerry McNeely-Aye, Barbara Morra-Nay, Al McLeod-Aye and Karla VanderZanden-Aye. MOTION CARRIED.

Conservation  
Committee  
Membership  
Recommendation

**Moab Realty / Rim Village Claim** As stated at the last meeting, Dale explained that he denied a request by Rim Village for a reimbursement of \$523.20. Moab Realty requested the claim come before the Board. The office did not receive the claim letter in time for the last meeting. The Board reviewed the letter submitted by Moab Realty, manager of the unit in question at Rim Village. Moab Realty wanted to be reimbursed for loss of a weekend rental because the unit was out of water. However, Dale denied the claim because the Agency never had an opportunity to respond to the problem over the weekend since Moab Realty did not call until Monday. Both Dale and Dean were on call during over the weekend. The unit was out of water because the control bolt on the pressure reducer was backed off. There was no way of knowing how that happened. Dale said if they had called, the problem could have been fixed in under half an hour including response time. Dale also stated that if the Board denied the claim and Moab Realty fought the decision, he would submit a claim to the Agency's insurance company. Motion by Tom Stengel to support Dale's decision to deny the claim. Second by Al McLeod. Tom Stengel- Aye, Dan Holyoak-Aye, Dan Pyatt-Aye, James Walker-Aye, Brian Backus-Aye, Rex Tanner-Aye, Jerry McNeely-Aye, Barbara Morra-Aye, Al McLeod-Aye and Karla VanderZanden-Aye. MOTION CARRIED.

Moab Realty /  
Rim Village Claim

**Check Approval** Motion to approve checks in the amount of \$38,463.22 by Rex Tanner. Second by Tom Stengel. Tom Stengel- Aye, Dan Holyoak-Aye, Dan Pyatt-Aye, James Walker-Aye, Brian Backus-Aye, Rex Tanner-Aye, Jerry McNeely-Aye, Barbara Morra-Nay, Al McLeod-Aye and Karla VanderZanden-Aye. MOTION CARRIED.

**Items From Board & Staff** On the subject of the Board Member Training budget item, Barbara complained that she was never reimbursed for a training she attended a little over two years ago. She could not remember what the training was for or the name of the person who failed to call her back about obtaining a receipt. Marsha said she must have a receipt in order to reimburse any expense to comply with the auditors. Dale said when a board member attends training, a certificate of attendance is usually issued specifically to turn in for reimbursement.

Vice President Pyatt declared the meeting adjourned. Hearing no objections the meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

ATTEST:

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Dale F. Pierson, Secretary/Treasurer

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Gary N. Wilson, President