

Grand Water & Sewer Service Agency

Operating Committee Meeting
April 25, 2001

The meeting was called to order by President Gary Wilson at 7:00 p.m. at the Agency Office, 3025 E Spanish Trail Road, Moab, Utah. Other Operating Committee members present were Paul Morris, Neal Dalton, Dan Holyoak, Karl Tangren and John Keys. Absent: Rex Tanner. Those in attendance established a quorum. Other Board members present Karla VanderZanden, Bill McDougald, James Walker, Kyle Bailey, and Jerry McNeely. Absent: Al McLeod.

Others present were Dale Pierson, Rhonda Riberia, Marsha Modine, John Chartier – Sunrise Engineering, Kirk DeFond, Barbara Morra, and Bill Love.

After calling for additions or corrections to the minutes of the Operating Committee meeting of April 11, 2001 and hearing none, President Wilson asked that the minutes be approved as circulated to the Board. Motion: John. Seconded: Dan. Karla asked for clarification on the Document Request Fees section. Discussion followed. Gary – aye, Paul – aye, Neal – aye, Dan – aye, Karl – aye, John – aye, Karla – aye, Bill – aye, Kyle – aye, Jerry – aye. James was not present for the vote. Motion carried.

Citizens To Be Heard Bill Love spoke regarding his preparation of a petition requesting the SVWSID Board be elected. The Board recommended Bill work with Fran Townsend to determine how many registered voters were eligible for signing the petition, whether it was landowners and/or residents, et al. The Board explained the Agency does not retain this type of documentation. Bill added that he would also request that the SVWSID Board make a motion to the effect that they would like to be an elected board. John Keys noted his understanding was the Board could not do that, the request for an elected Board must come from the public. Discussion followed. Paul expressed concern that there did not seem to be any research being done that would show the additional expenses of an elected board, i.e., the election itself, salaries for the five Board members, etc. Paul added that these expenses would ultimately impact the customers in the Valley, and they needed to know this before signing a petition. Karla stated she felt that Board action on the subject of elections was not proper and should not be taken.

Bill Love

Bill Love expressed concern regarding the capacity of the sewer line running near his home if Cloudrock were to use it, and asked to see an analysis on the line. Dale offered to show Bill the figures on the line after the meeting.

Water Project Report John Chartier discussed the progress on the well noting there was a very good indication regarding the quantity of water. Testing should be done on Monday, April 30th. John also discussed the progress on the tank noting that Schedule A appears to be coming in \$175,000.00 under the projected cost. Further discussion followed.

Water Project Report

Utah Irrigation Pumper's Committee Membership Gary reported to the Board that this group helped lobby on various items that directly affect farmers/irrigators, specifically the possible rate increase from Utah Power. Discussion showed possible increases could be between 17.95% - 22.44% dependent on Schedule. The cost of membership to the Committee is \$25.00 annually. Dan motioned to join the Utah Irrigation Pumper's Committee, submitting the \$25.00 annual membership fee. Seconded: Paul. Gary – aye, Paul – aye, Neal – aye, Dan – aye, Karl – aye, John – aye, Karla – aye, Bill – aye, James – aye, Kyle – aye, Jerry – aye. Motion carried.

Utah Irrigation Pumper's Committee Membership

SITLA Lease 1300 – Report Dale reported on the status of the lease draft. Discussion followed.

SULA 1300 Report

Financial Statement The financial statement for March was presented to the Board.

Check Approval Paul motioned to approve the GWSSA checks totaling \$25,725.92, second by Karla. Gary – aye, Paul – aye, Neal – aye, Dan – aye, Karl – aye, John – aye, Karla – aye, Bill – aye, James – aye, Kyle – aye, Jerry – aye. Motion carried.

Items from Board Members

Nuclear Ned & the Mini Septic Tank Paul referred to the septic tank bank noting it was filled with “dirty money” to be donated on air to KZMU. Paul felt that since KZMU helped the Board and the community by airing some of the Agency meetings, this would be a nice thank you from the Board and Staff. Many extra donations were added to the bank.

Donation to
KZMU

Sewer Agreement Talks with Moab City John Keys discussed the progress being made regarding the agreement. Kyle reported on the possible new wastewater treatment plant and purchase of land to accommodate it.

Talks w/
Moab City

Items from Staff

Ken’s Lake Water Dale reported he would have elevation figures for the Board at the next meeting.

Ken’s Lake
Water

Next Agency Meeting Dale reminded everyone the next scheduled meeting is on May 2nd.

Next Meeting

Document Request – Mileage Charge Dale reported that this item was not on the agenda as research had shown it could not be charged.

Doc Request
Fees

President Wilson declared the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

ATTEST:

Gary N. Wilson, President

Dale F. Pierson, Secretary/Treasurer