

SPANISH VALLEY WATER & SEWER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Regular meeting ----- February 21, 1995

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Paul J. Morris at 7:00 P.M. at the District office. Other Board members present were Neal Dalton, George White, Dan Holyoak, and Karla VanderZanden.

Others present were Dale Pierson, Marsha Modine, Jan Harston.

After calling for additions or corrections to the minutes of the meeting of January 25, 1996, and hearing none, the Chair declared the minutes approved as circulated to the Board. Motion: Neal Second: Dan MOTION CARRIED

ATTENDANCE

CHECK APPROVAL: Motion was made to approve checks as written and presented to the Board. Motion: Neal Second: Dan MOTION CARRIED

CHECK APPROVAL

BLUE STAKES MEMBERSHIP: Dale recommended to the Board that the district join Blue Stakes. If the district does not mark the line and it is dug up, the district is financially responsible. \$75.00 per month will be the cost. Repairs on broken lines vary from \$100 to \$600 depending upon the damage. If injury or death occurred the district would be liable since it is now state law that we must belong and we are presently out of compliance. Motion was made to join Blue Stakes. Motion: George Second: Dan MOTION CARRIED

BLUE STAKES MEMBERSHIP

MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER PLANNING PROGRAM RESOLUTION 02-96: Essentially this is a report to DEQ. Board reviewed resolution and a motion was made to approve. Motion: Neal Second: Dan MOTION CARRIED

MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER PLANNING PROGRAM RESOLUTION 02-96

APPROVAL OF BOND ATTORNEY: The district received three proposals for bond attorney. All three come with good references. Their job would be to review the funding documents for the Sewer Expansion Project to make certain they are correct. In order to receive financing the district is required to have a bond attorney. The fee for the bonding attorney is part of the project budget. Motion was made to hire Blaine Carlton, Ballard, Spahr, Andrews & Ingersoll Law Offices, to act as our bond attorney, according to his proposal of \$10,000, plus \$3,000 as note counsel, plus out-of-pocket expenses. Motion: Dan Second: George MOTION CARRIED

BOND ATTORNEY

WATER/SEWER SERVICE STANDARDS: Within the planning document that Lee Nellis and Bill Hoffman are working on, in order to come up with our impact fees we had to give them an idea of

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the level of standards that we would like to provide customers in the future. Dale indicated to them that we want to provide services that would be no less than currently provided.

WATER/SEWER
SERVICE
STANDARDS
CONT'D

TAYLOR'S SEWER LINE EXTENSION: Dan talked to Jim Adamson, Grand County's Sanitation Officer. Jim was willing to accept the septic tank on Taylor's property if he could view it and if it qualifies. The Board discussed another option of laying the line now, outside the project at district expense, but Dale informed the Board that there would be no way of being reimbursed from the monies for the sewer expansion project. Concensus was that since have not heard anything further from the Taylor's, that perhaps they had worked out a solution themselves. No further action was taken on this matter.

TAYLOR'S
SEWER LINE
EXTENSION

PERSONNEL HOURS: Report for January made available to Board for their review and discussion.

PERSONNEL
HOURS
JANUARY

LIEN NOTICES REPORT: There is currently a list of 14 people that the district may have to file liens against. Steve Russell, upon Dale's direction, has sent these individuals certified letters before filing liens. Russell's deadline for these letters to be picked up will be February 28th.

LIEN NOTICES
REPORT

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Marsha will provide a finalized statement at the meeting of March 20th as 1995's books are closed after taxes are received.

FINANCIAL
STATEMENT

UPDATE ON SEWER PROJECT: The 12" interceptor line is being engineered. Due to the construction of the new high school, it has been requested that we proceed on design and bidding on that part of the project as soon as we can. There are some questions as to whether or not design and construction of this part of the project can be accelerated. John Chartier, project engineer, will be at the next meeting to give a report on project progress.

UPDATE/
SEWER
PROJECT

POLYANNA KOERNER: The water leak and subsequent non-payment of water bills at Koerner Murphy Lane property were discussed. The leak on Koerner's property apparently ran for four months prior to repair, July through October 1995, with repair being done in November of 1995. Dan discussed the financial problems and health problems these customer are experiencing, and asked that the Board look at somehow reducing this bill. Suggested reduction would be that the customer would pay the minimum charge plus \$75.00 per acre foot

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for all water over the minimum.

Karla stated that a policy should be formulated by the staff with Board assistance to govern excessive bills due to leaks on the customer side of the meter and how they should be formulated by the staff with Board assistance to govern excessive bills due to leaks on the customer side of the meter and how they should be paid. George moved such a policy be formulated Second: Dan MOTION CARRIED

Discussion returned to the Koerner case. Neal sug-

gested that Dan talk to Koerner's and see if a time payment for the total amount of the bill could be set up, with the stipulation that the time payment schedule would need to be strictly abided by.

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Paul suggested that the first two months of high billing could be reduced to the minimum charge plus \$75.00 per acre foot, assuming that it could take that amount of time to identify and then repair a leak. All overages incurred after the first two months would be billed at regular rates. Paul stated he felt there should be some method of the Board determining "hardship cases" and adjusting water bills accordingly.

George stated that District policy states that the District's responsibility stops at the meter. The District should not be involved in making adjustments to bills caused by problems with piping on the customer side of the meter.

Karla motioned that this matter be table until after a policy is formulated. Motion died for a lack of second.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

ATTEST:


Paul J. Morris, Chairman

ATTEST


Neal K. Dalton, Clerk

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