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## IBSD MEETING MINUTES – May 07, 2009

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Iona Bonneville Sewer District (IBSD), a political subdivision of the State of Idaho, was held at the District Office, 1555 E. Lincoln Road, Idaho Falls, Idaho on May 07, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.

### IBSD Board Present:

John Price  
Mike Klingler  
Susan Ring  
Jason Blundell

### Public attendees:

Cindy Wellman, Manager IBSD  
Donna Bridges, Field Coordinator, IBSD  
Aaron Swenson, Forsgren Associates  
Roger Christensen, Bonneville County Commissioner  
Dave Noel, Forsgren Associates  
Dan Hunting, Patron

Meeting was called to order by John Price at 5:30 pm

1. Call for additional agenda items.
2. Discussion: Beeches Corner RV Dump – Forsgren
  - A. Aaron Swenson and Dave Noel presented the final report for Beeches Corner. They recommended, as per the report to “Do nothing”. The lines are in good condition for a 35 year old line. Forsgren didn’t find anything different from Vic Cole’s report in 2006 in which he stated that the lines were in excellent condition. There were minor deformities in the line that were non-related to hydrogen sulfate corrosion. The findings in the final report did not change from the draft submitted previously. Additional video was reviewed from both Vic Coles and View Pipe and the report appears to be accurate and consistent with Forsgren’s findings.
  - B. Jason Blundell had questions about the manhole and the connections in to it. Using a diagram of a manhole from an engineering textbook belonging to Donna Bridges, Dave Noel explained to Jason how it worked and answered his question.
  - C. Susan had questions with regards to the recommended alternatives for repairing the sewer lines. She felt that it was confusing to follow the dialog. Dave Noel explained that the common engineering practice is to provide all alternatives in their recommendation.
  - D. Susan wanted clarification on the number and conditions of the additional connections into the manhole. She asked Forsgren about the condition of the manhole because during the previous time it was to be videoed, it was so dirty that it needed to be cleaned prior to the camera work starting. Forsgren replied that it was clean.

MOTION, Jason, Mike second to accept Forsgren’s final report for Beeches Corner.  
3-1, Jason, Glen, Mike – Aye, Susan – Nay, John Abstains.  
Susan – This would be too much of a liability to accept this report.
  - E. The Board of Directors read the email proposal from Roger Christensen in which Roger proposed a joint venture between IBSD and Bonneville County to reopen Beeches Corner prior to Labor Day.
  - F. Dave Noel commented that a typical hydro flushing is once every 3 years. He recommended that more frequent hydro flushing would be necessary for this line and proposed doing it 1 time per year during the off season of the RV dump. (eg, the winter months)

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- G. Susan questioned whether the lateral line and connection had ever been accepted by the City of Idaho Falls. John stated that the City of Idaho Falls is not required to accept or deny lateral connections and has already accepted the main and included it their maintenance agreement.
- H. Discussion was had regarding the amount of use that the dump station would receive. Susan stated that the previous engineer for the district had done a study that accurately reflected the amount of traffic that this dump station would generate. The other attendees of the meeting were not aware of another study. Roger stated that Bonneville County could install traffic counters to obtain this information. As a comparison, Donna mentioned that in her research, an average trailer park would use 4 ERUs per month.
- I. Susan stated that this endeavor would be too great of a cost to the patrons of the district. Dave Noel replied that 50% of the patrons who would be using the dump probably live in IBSD boundaries. Jason Blundell felt this would be a good service to the patrons of the district.
- J. Susan was worried that a lot of the traffic would come from people who are not from here as this is one of the only free dumping stations around and that the others are difficult to find in the city. Comments were made that Smith RV has one that is open (with a large billboard, as per Donna); there are ones in Jackson and \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- K. A decision was made by the Board and Roger to have Bonneville County's attorney draft an agreement to include: 1) Flushing the line by Bonneville County 8 times per year with 1 – 2 thousand gallons of water from March to October. This cost is approximately \$100-\$125 per flushing would be at Bonneville County's expense. In exchange, IBSD would waive any monthly service fees. Since the flushing is a benefit to the condition and future maintenance of the lines, this service is considered to be a benefit and cost savings to the district. 2) A sign will be erected stating that this is a public service provided by IBSD, Bonneville County and State Parks. 3) A joint press conference will be held to inform the public to announce the reopening of Beeches Corner. 4) A traffic count or other metering device will be installed by Bonneville County to obtain an accurate amount of use of the dump station. 5) One year from now Bonneville County and IBSD will meet again to verify that this joint agreement is still not a liability and is neutral in cost for both BC and IBSD.

### 3. Declaration of Recall Election – John Price

- A. John Price stated that a petition for recall had been submitted. Susan had the option of resigning up until May 1, 2009. Because she did not resign, IBSD is now legally required to hold a recall election on August 4, 2009.
- B. Susan then read her letter addressed to the members of the board at the meeting. In it she stated the following key points:
  - No win situation, if she loses, the board will appoint someone that they want. If she doesn't lose, the board will be in the same situation as it is now.
  - Dysfunctional board.
  - She proposes that she will resign if all of the other board members resign. Then IBSD will let a district judge appoint an entire new board of directors.
  - Be careful what you wish for.
  - None of the people signing came from her subdistrict
  - The 3 other board members and their wives were the ones behind this.
  - The 3 other board members are against her because she is female.
- C. Glen stated that he would not be resigning. He was not going to give up serving the district after all the changes that had been made over the last several months in regards to how the district is managed, but that Susan was welcome to resign if she wanted to.
- D. Mike and John then said that the accusations that she said and that were also printed in the Post Register were a pile of lies. They requested a letter from Susan to the Post Register with

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a retraction of those statements they considered to be untrue and slanderous, using the same eloquent and verbose wording as the original letter.

- E. John, Glen and Mike vehemently stated that they had no involvement in the petition to have a recall.
- F. Dan Hunting made a statement that said the following things: 1) He wanted to make it very clear that he alone spearheaded for initiating the recall petition and had collected all the signatures himself. 2) He said that 40 of the signatures came from Ashwood Acres but that 10 were from McDonald's Farms and 10 from another subdivision also within Susan's sub-district. 3) He stated that Susan's actions and direct alliances with the previous management caused damage to the people in Ashwood Acres.
- G. Susan replied that her votes didn't count and questioned how that affected people to which Dan replied that her direct previous and continuous alliance with the previous management was what caused the problem.
- H. Susan stated that Allen Beazer had told her husband, Jeff Ring, that all three board members from Iona had approached Allen prior to the election in February and stated they would finance his campaign if he agreed to run for the board.
- I. Mike, Glen and John denied the accusation, and Mike stated that he would like Allen Beazer to verify this statement of Susan's to be true.

MOTION, Glen moved, Mike second motion to hold recall election for Susan Ring on August 4, 2009.

3-1, Jason, Glen and Mike – Aye, Susan – Nay, John abstains

MOTION PASSED

- J. Cindy told the Board that IBSD will need to let the Bonneville County election office know how much we would like to have their office do in running the election for us. Cindy will draft a letter that asks for Bonneville County to run the election as they did before in February 2009.
- K. Cindy also told the Board that Bobbi Jockumsen at the Elections Office has recommended that IBSD holds this recall election at a neutral place such as a school, centrally located in the District, rather than at the District office. The Board agreed with this.

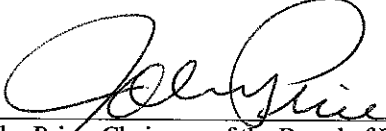
#### 4. Sundberg Associates – Architect Proposal

- A. Jason asked the board to review a proposal from Sundburg & Associates design an approximately 1500 square foot building for our office, with the cost being \$1500 now and \$1500 later. He didn't feel comfortable sending the specifications that his wife had drawn directly to be built.
- B. John felt that we needed to have a public comment period for the patrons of the district. Susan mentioned that there is a State of the Sewer letter from 2004 that stated that before IBSD incurs any indebtedness that it must be done before a public hearing.
- C. Susan also denied knowing what is spent in the office each month. Mike reminded Susan that she receives a spreadsheet each month that outlines these amounts.
- D. Glen stated that it would be best to get started building sooner rather than later so that IBSD wasn't building into the winter months. If we waited until then, we would also have to extend our lease another year. John felt that our current lease could be extended month to month, rather than an entire year.
- E. Susan suggested that we wait until the recall election in August and have this put on the ballot. She also expressed concern that ½ of IBSD assets would be depleted if the new building was approved.
- F. Jason made note that even if we delayed in purchasing the new office, the benefits would still outweigh anything else. At the end of 30 years (or less), we would have an asset that could be sold if we needed to.

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- G. After further discussion, it was decided that it would be best to present the information surrounding the purchase of a new office to the patrons of the district in a letter and let the public comment on it prior to a regular monthly board meeting. Susan would like the board to review the letter at a meeting prior to the letter being sent to the patrons.

MOTION, Mike, Jason second to send a letter to the patrons of the district that will be included in the regularly monthly invoices for June 2009. In the letter it will include cost/benefit analysis and the proposed floor plan for the office. A public hearing will be held at 7:00 pm on 6/17/2009 and the regular monthly board meeting will follow at 8:00 pm.



John Price, Chairman of the Board of Directors

11-10-09

Date



Mike Klingler, Secretary/Treasurer

11-11-09

Date