

GRAND COUNTY WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
GRAND COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICE WATER DISTRICT

Regular Meeting & Budget Hearing-----December 10, 1998

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Gary N. Wilson at 7:01 A.M. at the District office. Other Board members present were Ned Dalton, John Groo, Karl Tangren, Bill McDougald and James Walker.

Special Service District members present were Dan Holyoak, Gary Wilson, Bill McDougald, and George White.

Others present were Dale Pierson, Rhonda Riberia, Marsha Modine, and Neal Dalton.

After calling for additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting of November 5, 1998, and hearing none, the Chair declared the minutes approved as circulated to the Board. Motion: Ned Seconded: George. Motion carried.

Check Approval: Motion to approve checks was made by Ned. Seconded: George. Motion carried.

Budget Hearing: The Grand County Water Conservancy District Amended Budget was presented to the Board. After discussion, James made a motion to accept the Amended Budget as is. Seconded: Bill. Motion carried.

Budget
Hearing

The 1999 GCWCD Budget was presented to the Board. After discussion a motion was made by James to accept the 1999 Budget as is. Seconded: John. Motion carried.

The Grand County Special Service Water District Amended Budget was presented. After discussion Dan made a motion to accept it as is. Seconded: George. Motion carried.

The 1999 GCSSWD Budget was presented to the Board. After discussion Dan made a motion to accept the Budget as is. Seconded: George. Motion carried.

MIC Meters: Dale reported that the pipe and all three meters have been ordered, and are in. Letters regarding Ray Holman's property ROW suit are in the packets. Dale recapped for the Board members, that although the meters were ready to be installed, there are no right-of-ways for the properties involved, Ray Holman, Janie Walker, and Dave Berry. The District required MIC to sign an indemnification to keep the District from being liable in regards to law suits that may be placed by the aforementioned property owners. Janie Walker does not want the meter, but MIC has said to install anyway. Dave Berry has been sent a number of letters to which there has been no response. Dale asked James if the letters sent to Dave Berry were sent registered or certified to prove receipt. James said he did not know, but that the last letter sent stated that no response would be considered to be acceptance of the meters installation. Ned asked if MIC has liability insurance. Dan said yes, but could not say to what amount. Gary stated an option would be provide the meters to MIC and let them hire out for installation. We could reimburse them for our portion of the cost. Dale noted the suit with Ray Holman was filed with the court, but no date had been set yet. James clarified why the meters needed to be installed. He said they took an open ditch and piped it, then inside the old pipe put in smaller black polypipe. Now, with the old flow meters above, the readings were no longer accurate. The State Engineer would like the meters to be installed before the start of the next irrigation

MIC
Meters

season, at least six months away. Gary recommended waiting to install the meters until after the judge had ruled on the Ray Holman issue. Bill will speak to Dave Berry, to see how he stands, and to see if he would be willing to permit the meter to be installed right away. This would provide a good test meter, as it is the easiest one to install with the least amount of damage to the property. This matter has been tabled until the next meeting.

Items from Board:

Chairman Wilson had to leave early and Vice Chairman Bill McDougald assumed the chair.

Joint Meeting with Arches Village Special Service District: Bill stated he wished to comment on last evening's meeting, as there were a lot of proposals on the table. For the benefit of the those Board members not in attendance at the December 9 meeting with AVSSD, Dale recapped briefly. Options presented to AVSSD were to 1) sign a management contract with the Agency, 2) join the Agency (in which case the structure of the Operating Committee would require reworking), or 3) annex into Spanish Valley Water & Sewer Improvement District. AVSSD is already within GCWCD boundaries but GCWCD cannot provide sewer. If they annex into the District, AVSSD would be dissolved, and all loans or grants would be taken care of by the District. They would be billed, along with impact fees, but at rates that are different from those charged to SVW & SID customers. John stated he assumed the engineering was done? Dale said part of it has been completed. The Agency Members have been asked to have their questions written down and to Dale by late Friday, December 11, so that he may get them to Nate. Nate will provide answers at the next SVW & SID meeting, December 16. If AVSSD is to annex into the SVW & SID District, it must be requested by the property owners via petition. This will be brought to the Agency and the Grand County Council. AVSSD will be dissolved. A point was brought up by Paul Morris at the meeting, noting that the Agency is very new, meaning it could be disbanded six months down the road. If AVSSD opts to join the Agency and this were to occur, they could be annexed into the City, which they have stated they do not wish to do. John asked if others such as Thompson or Castle Valley would be required to annex into SVW & SID in order to receive service. Dale responded it would be a case by case decision. Dale also noted a vast difference between AVSSD and Thompson or Castle Valley, is that AVSSD has no budget, revenue, or expenditure to date, making them a District on paper only. John stated he was concerned we did not take over a poorly designed water and sewer system. Dale agreed, saying we need to be involved from the very beginning. Dale also noted that annexing into SVW & SID does not require SVW & SID to provide service to the area annexing. Bill commented that the City would most likely do the upgrade to the sewer lines which would serve AVSSD, in which case AVSSD would be liable for their portion of the project expense. Ned questioned whether or not the City would be obligated to provide sewer if AVSSD paid the money. Bill answered yes. Ned commented that we need verification that AVSSD will pay their portion of infrastructure development. Dale noted the real bottom line is that agencies such as DWQ will not write a loan until there is a guarantee of payment from the property owners. Various means of providing water source capacity were discussed. The Board agreed that investigation of the proposal needed to continue prior to making a final decision.

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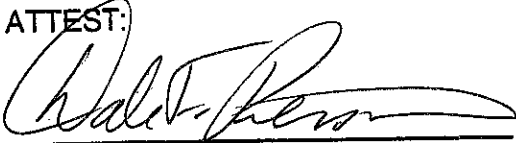
Items from Staff:

Board Member Information Update: Board members were provided with forms noting their contact information. Board members were requested to note any changes, and return the forms.

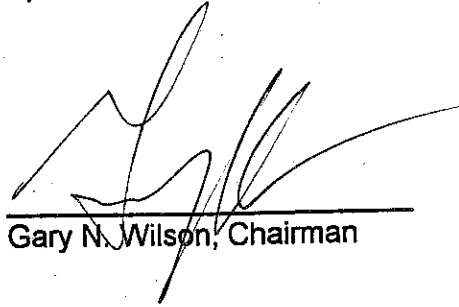
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Meeting adjourned at 7:53 am

ATTEST:



Dale F. Pierson, Secretary/Treasurer



Gary N. Wilson, Chairman