

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
RURAL WATER AUTHORITY OF DOUGLAS COUNTY
HELD
May 23, 2012**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Rural Water Authority of Douglas County (RWADC) was held at 7:00 p.m. on May 23, 2012 at the Miller Building, 100 Third St. Castle Rock, CO, Conference Room A & B.

Attendance

In attendance were Directors:

Ron Beane
Commissioner Steven A. Boand [departed at 7:57pm]
Kristen Dearborn
Barry Gager
Christine Hashimoto
Jack McCormick
Charlotte Mirabella
Geoff Withers

Directors Charles Bucknam was absent whose absence was excused.

Also in attendance were:

Conner Shepherd, Circuit Rider of Colorado, LLC, Authority
Manager
David Carter; Circuit Rider of Colorado, LLC
Tim Murrell; Douglas County Water Resources Planner
William J. Fresch, Resident
Michael Anderson, Happy Canyon HOA, Resident
W. Walker, Resident
Les Lilly, Resident
Jennifer Reifenberg, Resident
Jan Dixon, Castle Pines Newspaper
Liz West, Happy Canyon HOA, Resident

Call to Order

Director Withers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and declared a quorum.

**Approval of
Agenda**

The Agenda was approved as amended by acclamation. Director Hashimoto added the County Fair to Outreach.

Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest

Director Withers asked if any Board member had a conflict interest with any item on the Agenda. There were none.

Public

Ms. Dickson complimented the Board about the May 2 Workshop.

Mr. Fresch asked if Commissioner Board received compensation to attend the RWADC meetings. Director Withers said no one is compensated to serve on this Board.

Approval of April 25, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes

Discussion followed. Upon a motion by Director McCormick with a second by Commissioner Dearborn, minutes of April 25, 2012 were approved as amended.

Officer Reports

Chairman & Vice-Chair, and Secretary

Director Withers distributed the agenda for an upcoming meeting for the Interim Committee on Water Resources, named the 2012 South Metro Water Tour.

Treasurer - Financial Statements & Claims

Mr. Shepherd provided the Board with the list of Claims and presented the Financial Statements for the period ending May 23, 2012. Discussion followed. **Upon a motion by Director Gager with a second by Beane, the Board ratified the Claims in the total amount of \$2,628.57 with the additional claim of \$200 to Director Hashimoto.** Mr. Shepherd reported that the fund balance of the Authority as of May 23, 2012 was \$134,508.95, not including subtracting the additional \$200 claim. **Upon a motion by Director Gager with a second by Director Mirabella, the Financial Statements were accepted.**

Presentation

Water Infrastructure Planning in Northwest Douglas County

Tim Murrell, Water Resources Planner for Douglas County, was present to provide the Board with an update on the NW Douglas County resource planning. The County's task was to conduct a series of public meetings to determine if there was a need for increased infrastructure development (roads, bike paths, water delivery systems, etc.) in the NW portion of the county. The Highway 85

corridor was the focus of the early meetings, first in Louviers and the second in Roxborough.

The message from the Louviers meeting was that there is a vocal group of people in the area that does not believe any planning is necessary. Things are okay as is. At the second meeting, the county staff better articulated what potential improvements there might be. They received constructive feedback. Water delivery is an especially important element in the infrastructure needs.

Director Mirabella asked for clarification on how the 85 corridor is defined. Mr. Murrell said that it was initially defined as Sedalia north to County Line Road. Director Gager asked about the work product. Mr. Murrell said in addition to the meetings, the consultant conducted interviews by phone. Part of the presentation focused on the results of these interviews.

Mr. Murrell said that he personally learned that water is perceived as tied to the growth issue in NW Douglas County and is a very divisive issue. Some see water as a catalyst for growth; some see water delivery as meeting an existing or future need.

Director Mirabella asked why this organization should be interested in this process. Mr. Murrell said he wanted to apprise the Board of the public meeting. Director Hashimoto asked about the consultant. The same consultant that worked on the Sedalia rezoning project was the preferred consultant.

Mr. Fresch asked why Mr. Murrell's meetings dealt with economic development and how that had anything to do with the Rural Water Authority.

Ms. Dickson suggested that the consultant appeared to document input that was one-sided. Discussion followed. The meeting was poorly organized and there was little productive that came from the contentious interchange. Commissioner Boand said there was a specific scope of purpose, from Airport Road to Titan Road, for the citizen input process.

Now the consultant is compiling the information that was collected for a report to the Board of County Commissioners. [BOCC]. Mr. Fresch said he believes you are using consultants to reach a predetermined outcome. Directors Hashimoto and Mirabella suggested that the County hold a second meeting in Louviers to mollify concerns that were generated from the dysfunctional meeting. Commissioner Boand said the BOCC will receive the report at a County workshop.

Project
Updates

IGA (Rural Water Supply Act) Committee Update

Mr. Murrell described the IGA Committee organization. Director Withers reported that the IGA Committee will meet tomorrow. Both Directors Mirabella and Withers will be in attendance.

USGS Well Monitoring Program

Director Withers said the well monitoring is continuing. The USGS is doing bi-monthly well testing on 35 wells throughout the county. They provide ongoing results on their website. Rhett Everett agreed to attend the September meeting.

[Commissioner Board excused himself from the meeting at 7:57pm].

Outreach Committee – Well & Septic Workshop, Wednesday May 2, 2012

Director Withers said the workshop attendance exceeded 225 for the May 2, 2012 workshop. Discussion followed. Director Withers distributed the results of the Well Owner Workshop evaluation form.

Discussion followed regarding providing additional workshops. Director Withers said there is information from the workshop and an audio recording of the presentations along with Power Point presentations.

Discussion followed. A new e-mail contact list will include e-mail addresses of attendees. Discussion followed about additional public forums.

Director Mirabella suggested a Fall 2012 workshop on the next work session agenda. She said the County Fair would be another good topic for the work session.

Director Dearborn referred the Board to an analysis of the Workshop. The RWADC Board authorized the expenditure of up to \$1,500. The total cost came to \$1,285.58.

Director Withers suggested that the RWADC develop a communications plan. Discussion followed. Director Hashimoto suggested doing an e-mail blast to include the Workshop evaluation results.

Director Mirabella said she likes the idea of having a defined message and form or forms of communication. Ms. Dixon suggested advertising in the paper. Director Hashimoto suggested the development of a newsletter.

County Fair

Director Hashimoto has applied for a double-sized booth for the fair. It will be August 10-12. Director Withers suggested making this a discussion item for June 6.

Old Business

Scheduled Board Work Sessions

Director Withers said a prior work session included information of temporal water needs by sub-division. A formal report will be provided at the June regular board meeting. Director Withers said that he will provide a notice for a June 6, 2012 work session to discuss the County Fair and communications. He also said that Oil & Gas drilling in the County will be another work session topic for June 13.

New Business: Douglas County Referrals:

Regarding State & County Permit Applications Referral

Director Withers said the Colorado Oil & Gas Commission referrals did not have anything in the RWADC service area.

Director Withers reported that there have not been any additional referrals.

Mr. Shepherd introduced Mr. Carter as part of the Circuit Rider of Colorado, LLC team.

Adjournment

Upon a motion by Director Mirabella with a second by Director Beane, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Rural Water Authority of Douglas County shall be held June 27, 2012 at the Phillip S. Miller Building, 100 Third St., Castle Rock, CO 80104.