

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
RURAL WATER AUTHORITY OF DOUGLAS COUNTY
HELD TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF THE 2014 BUDGET
ON OCTOBER 23, 2013**

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Rural Water Authority of Douglas County (RWADC) was held on October 23, 2013 at the Phillip S. Miller Library, 100 Wilcox St. Castle Rock, CO, Castle Rock Bank Room West, to consider adoption of the 2014 budget.

Attendance

In attendance were Directors:

Barry Gager
Ron Beane
Charles Bucknam
Kristen Dearborn
Hank Giclas
Commissioner Roger Partridge

Also in attendance were:

Geoff Withers, Circuit Rider of Colorado, LLC
Tim Murrell, Douglas County
Jack LaPorte, citizen from Surrey Ridge

Call to Order

Director Gager called the 2014 Budget Hearing to order at 7:06 p.m. and declared a quorum was present.

Board Discussion

The figures in the draft budget were briefly explained.

Public Comment

There were no public comments.

**Draft Budget
Consideration**

The draft 2014 budget, having been properly noticed in the Douglas County News-Press and circulated to the Board on October 13, was discussed. A **motion** was (Beane/Giclas) made to amend the draft Budget Message as follows: 1) “*which is expected to continue into 2015.*”, under Services to be Delivered in 2014; 2) the amount of \$50 as a “Miscellaneous: expenditure was increased to \$500, and the Contingency line item was reduced accordingly; 3) the name “Brian McDonald” as Treasurer to sign the document, was deleted, to be replaced by the new Treasurer who will be elected later in the evening, during the Business Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Adoption of the 2014 Budget

A motion to adopt the 2014 Budget, as amended, was made (Giclas/Beane), and approved unanimously. A **motion to appropriate** the full amount of budgeted expenditures in the adopted 2014 budget, \$159,532, was made (Beane/Bucknam) and approved unanimously.

The Public Hearing was closed by the Chairman, Director Gager, at 7:23.

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
RURAL WATER AUTHORITY OF DOUGLAS COUNTY
HELD
OCTOBER 23, 2013**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Rural Water Authority of Douglas County (RWADC) was held on October 23, 2013 at the Phillip S. Miller Library, 100 Wilcox St. Castle Rock, CO, Castle Rock Bank Room West.

Attendance

In attendance were Directors:

Barry Gager
Ron Beane
Charles Bucknam
Kristen Dearborn
Hank Giclas
Commissioner Roger Partridge

Also in attendance were:

Geoff Withers, Circuit Rider of Colorado, LLC
Tim Murrell, Douglas County
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Call to Order

Director Gager called the regular meeting to order at 7:24 p.m. and declared a quorum was present.

Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest

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

Approval of Agenda

Director Gager presented the Agenda, and asked that the subject of Meridian Business Center, a Douglas County referral, be added. The Board concurred.

A motion (Bucknam/Partridge) to approve the agenda as amended was approved unanimously.

Public Comment

Mr. LaPorte, resident of Surrey Ridge, indicated he was attending the meeting to consider volunteering for appointment to the Board, filling the vacancy in the District 4 office. There was some discussion about the condition of wells in Surrey Ridge.

**Approval of
September 25, 2013
Regular Meeting
Minutes**

Approval of the minutes of the September 25 Board meeting was postponed until the November meeting.

Officer Reports

Chairman & Vice-Chair, and Secretary

There was no report from the Chairman.

Director Bucknam, Vice-Chairman, reported that he sent out a list of HOAs to the Board, and that he contacted those in District 4 about the vacancy in the office of that District's Director.

Director Beane, Secretary, reported that he spoke with Pat Nolen, a resident of MacArthur Ranch, about his interest in filling the vacancy in the office of Director for Board District 5.

Treasurer - Financial Statements & Claims

Claims from September. Mr. Withers provided the Board with the list of Claims and presented the Financial Statements for the period ending October 23, 2013.

Two claims were presented: \$1,789.78 from Circuit Rider of Colorado, LLC for professional staff services, and \$18,013.50 from the United State Geological Survey for reimbursement of expenses incurred in the Well-Monitoring Program. **A motion (Giclas/Bucknam) to approve the Claims for September in the total amount of \$19,803.28 was approved unanimously.**

Mr. Withers directed the Board's attention to the Financial Statements, noting that \$26,079.50 was reimbursed by the Colorado Water Conservation Board for expenses incurred by the USGS in the well-monitoring program. He reported that the fund balance of the Authority as of October 23, 2013 is \$80,836. **A motion (Bucknam/Dearborn) to accept the Financial Statements was approved unanimously.**

Old Business

Outreach - Vacant Board Positions

- Director Bucknam called the HOAs on his list.
 - Brian McDonald has resigned his seat as District 5 Director as of October 23, 2013; he was also the RWADC's Treasurer. These vacancies must be filled by appointment, along with the two in Districts 2 and 4.
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New Business:

Officer Vacancy

Director Beane resigned his position as Secretary of the RWADC Board of Directors; a **motion** was made (Bucknam/Partridge) to elect Director Beane to the Office of Treasurer, which was approved unanimously. A **motion** was made (Dearborn/Bucknam) to elect Director Giclas to the Office of Secretary, which was approved unanimously.

Water Issues in Douglas County

Tim Murrell was asked by the Board to give a brief presentation of current water issues in Douglas County. Tim reported:

- Happy Canyon has applied to the county's Rural Water Alternatives (RWA) program. Tim said he would email a copy of the program's brochure to all Board members.
- Grandview Estates is considering alternative water supply options. Director Bucknam noted that they may be requesting assistance from the USGS in developing an Aquifer Storage Recovery (ASR) program.
- The county is considering purchasing an option on about 2075 acre-feet of WISE water which is currently unallocated, to be used in the rural parts of the county. The option could last until 2020 or 2030.
- Plum Valley Estates has been included within the boundaries of Roxborough Water and Sanitation District. They are close to completing design of a pipeline interconnection with the District's water system. A grant has been applied for to lower each individual residential cost from \$50,000 to about \$35,000.
- A discussion ensued about how the county documents water supply problems in area, when considering accepting it into the new RWA program.
- Director Gager noted that work on Pendley dam and reservoir is proceeding; to what extent isn't clear, but some trenching is being done on site under a partnership with a "foreign" special district (Mt. Carbon Metropolitan District).

- Mr. Murrell noted that the new “Homeowners Well Guide” is a very useful educational tool. He will make copies available to members of the Board.

[Commissioner Partridge excused himself from the meeting at 8:15 pm, so as to avoid *ex parte* discussions of pending county actions on Development Referrals.]

**State & County Permit
Applications; County Referrals**

Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission Applications

No applications to date.

Douglas County Referrals

Director Bucknam said that two referral comments are due before the next meeting: Stone Creek Ranch PD and Meridian Business Center, Filing 7C. **A motion (Beane/Gager) was made to accept the draft Director Bucknam’s comments and ask him to submit them to the county was approved unanimously.**

Adjournment

Upon a motion by Director Giclas with a second by Director Beane, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Rural Water Authority of Douglas County shall be held on November 20, 2013 at the Miller Building, Conference Rooms A & B.

Minutes approved 11/20/2013