

Meeting of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pinewood Springs Water District's Water Enterprise

3-26-03

**The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pinewood Springs Water District's Water Enterprise, Larimer County, Colorado, was held in accordance with the applicable statutes of the State of Colorado on 3-26-03 at the Pinewood Springs Fire House. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President, Andy Sharp.**

**Attendance:** The following directors were present constituting a quorum: Andy Sharp, Mark Upton, Meg Rotan, Jim Wendell and Win Knechtel. Also present were Frank Novak, Gabriele Benson, Vic and Linda Mootsey, Ronni Sperling, Carl Pender, Rich Troiano, Daniel Grotke, Janet Carabell.

**Announcements:**

1. Water Production Status: Carl Pender reports water flow and production is very good at this time.
2. CBT Water Rental: Andy Sharp reports that 21 acre feet of CBT water have recently been rented.

**New Customer Issues:** No issues presented.

**Water Rights Discussion:** Ronnie Sperling outlined issues concerning water rights. Ronnie outlined the following areas.

1. PWSW Board needs to obtain a report from McLaughlin Engineers on water availability for the water rights application.
2. PWSW Board needs to contact Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District to determine availability of water if we join the NCWCD.
3. Big Elk Meadows Issues: Board requested Ronnie Sperling to file opposition to Big Elk Meadows Water Rights decreed as of January 2003.
4. Mark Upton will contact Fred Renner (Water Commissioner) to ask about documentation of water usage.

**Drought Mitigation Plan:** Discussion towards prioritization of options.

Board decided to go ahead with petition to join NCWCD. A notice will be put in the newsletter stating the Board's decision.

The following priorities for reservoirs were outlined:

First Choice - Maure Hollow - with limited time-frame of 3 +- months for approval from the Forest Service.  
Andy Sharp and Mark Upton will contact the Forest Service, as soon as possible, to get their opinion on Maure Hollow.

Second Choice - Large Crow Lane #1 Reservoir

Third Choice - Crescent Lake

Fourth Choice - Crow Lane #2

Fifth Choice Pinewood Reservoir

Note: If the Forest Service balks at Maure Hollow, it will revert to the fifth choice.

Frank Novak will get the name of the Range Manager for the Forest Service and give to Andy Sharp.

Win Knechtel will contact Senator Wayne Allard and Congressman Scott McGinnis about their assistance for Maure Hollow with the Forest Service.

**Motion:** By Jim Wendell to recommend to PWSWB customers to join Northern Colorado Water Conservation District.

**Seconded By:** Mark Upton

Unanimously approved.

### **Vacant Home Shut-offs:**

It was decided by the Board members that if homes are vacant for more than a weekend, the water should be shut off.

### **Infrastructure Replacement:**

1. Sioux Road line is on the list. However, Carl Pender recommends we wait until better weather to start work on this line.
2. Long Term Planning: Carl Pender has put together a list of priorities. Gabi Benson has the list available for review.

### **Big Elk Fire Compensation:**

1. Grant request is into State to rent a second filter temporarily at the Filter Plant.
2. Carl Pender indicates that it will take 8-10 weeks to get a new filter.
3. Andy Sharp presented a proposal from McLaughlin Engineers to have a study for the infiltration gallery. (should be less than 5K).

### **Monthly Charges for all Taps:**

Discussion item concerning if Board should charge system costs for taps that are paid or unpaid but not connected. It was decided that the Board will hold a special hearing before the next regular meeting to discuss the possible change to the Rules and Regulations.

### **Web Page:**

Mark Upton will have his wife work on the web site. It was suggested that the web site may want to have meeting notices.

**Motion:** by Jim Wendell – Authorize Carl Pender to spend \$700.00 to add a 1 micron filter to intake at Crescent Lake. The filter is required by the Health Department.

Seconded: by Mark Upton.

Unanimously approved.

**Motion:** by Jim Wendell: to approve invoice by McLaughling Engineers for \$2,113.65.  
Payment towards engineering feasibility study.  
Seconded by Win Knechtel  
Unanimously approved

**Reports:**

Administrative clerk, Water Superintendent and treasurer report included with minutes.

**Motion:** by Andy Sharp to approve the minutes of 1-22-03 and 2-26-03 as amended.  
Seconded by Win Knechtel  
Unanimously approved.

**Cell-Phone Towers:**

Mark Upton will continue to negotiate with Verizon on use of PWSWD water tanks for mountain cell-phone towers.

**Motion:** by Jim Wendell: Ratify payment of \$500.00 per acre feet for 21 acre feet of CBT shares.  
Unanimously approved.

**Alert Signs:** - Jim Wendell presented examples of new Water Alert signs. Board felt they looked OK. Jim will proceed to construct signs so that they are available if needed.

**Motion:** by Meg Rotan to adjourn the meeting.  
Seconded by Win Knechtel  
Unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 1:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by  
Win Knechtel, Secretary