

Lake Durango Water Authority
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
January 14, 2010

1. Call to Order

Secretary Sharon Rader called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m. Other Directors present were Vice President Jeff Wagner, Treasurer Tom Brossia and Director Ron Borrego. General Manager Charlie Smith, Recording Secretary Jenna Hutt and Yolanda Avalos were also present. President Ward Holmes was absent. Also present were two system customers.

2. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved.

3. Approval of 12/17/09 meeting minutes

Ron Borrego made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2009 Special meeting. Tom Brossia seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4. Nan Bedau, LaPlata County Community Development Dept.

Nan Bedau was unable to attend.

5. Low Income Assistance

Sharon Rader reviewed the low income assistance information. It will be included in DW1 & 2 Newsletters and sent out in an Authority letter to customers. All members have copies of information. Tom Brossia requested backup system and fire proof safe.

6. General Managers Report: Billing, Water System, Insurance, Other

Tom Brossia has requested that Bud Smith should attend the meeting. Charlie Smith discussed the adjustment on John Hiatt bill due to leak in Rafter J, 1.3 million gallons of water lost after the customer meter was billed at the bulk rate. Charlie will look into systems that will indicate the presence of large leaks based on pump rates or tank level. Charlie Smith presented the agreement for ASAP to oversee accounting functions to be signed. The RFP for 2009 audit has been sent out. Tom is suggesting a 3 year contract with auditor firm. The lake level reading was unchanged based on the level gage. Tom pointed out snowpack is 30% below average and it is imperative to get Johnson #2 work underway. A copy of the RFP will be sent to all Board members. Charlie will work on a Bureau of Reclamation grant request and combine it with the DOLA master planning grant for cost sharing. There is a difference between the County and State requirements for determining system water demand. The County now says that water demand can be based on a 10 year average of demand and the state is still using the 350 gal/tap/day value assigned to Lake Durango by the County's resolution 2003-329. Sharon was very concerned that Charlie was working out of his bounds in discussing water demand and availability with the state and county and that there is not sufficient data to come to any conclusions about water demand and supply. Ron Borrego requested that Charlie Smith to inquire from other districts.

7. DOLA Grant – Charlie Smith reported that the DOLA reimbursement request was approved.

8. Financial Report, Approval of Bills

All members have copies of the Full year 2009 P&L, Dec 31 2009 Balance Sheet only. Budget Low for Dec 2009. Tom Brossia move to approve checks as submitted with the addition of payment of Bud Smiths invoice. Sharon Rader 2nd motion , motion carried.

Tom Brossia moved to approve Resolution 2010-1 to set dates and location for Board Meetings to the second and 4th Thursday of each month at the Durango West 1 office. Ron Borrego second motion. Motion carried.

9. Public comments or questions

Jenna Hutt formally resigned her position as recording secretary. Ron Borrego made a motion to appoint Yolanda Avalos to Recording Secretary. Tom Brossia seconded the motion, Motion carried.

Nick from Durango West 1 was concerned about emergency situations for H2O supply that ther is a need for safety margins. Nick suggested 2 year to gather data before making any decisions on allowing new taps.

Sean English purchased 7 taps in 1992. Provided LDWC easement and purchased at a reduced rate. His taps have not been available to develop his property even though he is paying acquisition fees.

Sean inquired if he could use two taps on a single lot for a second home on the same lot, He was told to inquire with the County.

Adjourn

Sharon Rader made a motion to adjourn meeting. Jeff seconded the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Sharon Rader
Secretary