

East Larimer County Water District
Board of Directors
Regular Meeting

Tuesday - 7:00 P.M.

August 21, 2007

1. CALL TO ORDER

Loren Maxey, Chairman of the Board of Directors, called the meeting to order.

2. ROLL CALL

Directors Present: Loren Maxey, Scott Baker, Randy Siddens,
Vern Sunset, Ed Laudick

Directors Absent: none

Others Present: Mike Scheid, General Manager; Kathy Phipps, Administrative Manager and CFO; Darwin Williams, District Engineer; Shawn Hoff, Soldier Canyon Filter Plant Water Resources Manager

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MEETING ON JULY 17, 2007

Scott Baker made a motion to approve the minutes from the special meeting of the Board of Directors held on June 15, 2007. The motion was seconded by Randy Siddens and passed unanimously.

Scott Baker moved for approval of the July 17, 2007 regular meeting minutes as presented. Randy Siddens seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

4. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL AND INVESTMENT REPORT

Details of the disbursement to Soldier Canyon Filter Plant were discussed. Year-to-date income compared to budget was also reviewed briefly. Scott Baker moved for approval of the Financial and Investment reports. Vern Sunset seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

5. SOLDIER CANYON FILTER PLANT REPORT

Minutes from the July 12 Steering Committee meeting were included with this agenda item. Although minutes from the August 2 Steering Committee meeting were not yet available, Mike summarized the meeting.

Tom Ullman with TEC attended the meeting and reviewed the events surrounding the recent explosion at the Carter Lake Treatment Plant. Damage is estimated to be between 4-5 million dollars. Soldier Canyon Filter Plant has procedures in place that would likely prevent a similar incident however there are lessons to be taken from this unfortunate mishap.

Plant Manager transition is proceeding. Bob Reeds' retirement will be

effective September 30th. He anticipates being moved out of the house and barn owned by Soldier Canyon by the end of November.

Shawn Hoff updated the Steering Committee on the Laramie-Poudre Tunnel water.

Overland Trail Ponds project was discussed. There will be a “river return” line on the east end of the project. Boyle Engineering is designing the NEWT pipeline in the same general area where the “river return” line will be located. It may be cost effective to have Boyle design the “river return” line and acquire an easement that will accommodate both projects.

Dan Brown attended the meeting to discuss the Miner’s Lake purchase agreement. Updates will be provided as they become available.

6. PUMP STATION ONE XERISCAPE PLAN

Darwin Williams attended the meeting to share information and solicit Board input regarding xeriscaping ELCO pump station #1. Staff reviewed proposals from several contractors and selected Liebl Landscape to design the project. Their proposal and cost estimates were distributed at the meeting.

Prior to installing new landscaping, 20-year projected maintenance costs will be researched and compared to current maintenance costs.

Staff will apply for a Water Conservation Implementation Grant from the Colorado Water Conservation Board. The Grant Application will be submitted to CWCB by October 1, 2007.

7. UPDATE ON HALLIGAN-SEAMAN WATER MANAGEMENT PROJECT

The draft Purpose and Need report for Halligan Seaman Water Management Project was included with the Board Packet. Participants are asked to submit comments to their respective project representatives within the next 30 days.

A summary of the August 7, 2007 meeting between Project Participants, prepared by Webb Jones, was also included for discussion.

8. UPDATE ON WATER RESOURCES

Resolution

Shawn Hoff attended the meeting to discuss water resources.

A resolution to appropriate for exchange water from the Poudre River was discussed. Scott Baker made a motion to adopt the resolution. Vern Sunset seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The Tri-Districts will also be filing a Statement of Opposition to a similar application filed by the City of Fort Collins.

Water Purchase

The water rights discussed at last months meeting will be transferred to ELCO upon completion and execution of a final agreement with the seller. The agreement should be available for the September ELCO Board meeting.

9. MANAGERS REPORT

Execution of Easement

The easement related to the ELCO waterline project located south of the Water Supply and Storage Company Reservoir No. 4 was discussed prior to execution by the Manager and Chairman.

Greeley Water & Sewer Board minutes

The July 11th Greeley Water & Sewer Board minutes were included as an informational item.

NCWCD minutes

Minutes from the June 8th Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District Board Meeting minutes were included for discussion.

2007 SDA Conference

The Board was reminded of the Annual SDA Conference scheduled for September 19-21 in Steamboat Springs. Staff will register all Board planning to attend. ELCO representatives plan to attend the Annual Business Meeting on Thursday, September 20, 2007.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

Augmentation Plan

Staff continues to work with an entity in Larimer County to refine a draft agreement to provide augmentation water.

District Service Boundary

ELCO's service area boundary was discussed at length. Mike has met with the Wellington Town Administrator and will be meeting with representatives of the City of Fort Collins next week to discuss service area infringement issues. It was the consensus of the Board that ELCO should be clear about its intention to serve all property within its service area boundary. ELCO has the right to review and will decide on a case-by-case basis weather to provide new service or relinquish the potential customer to another utility. Fees associated with relinquishing potential customers may be appropriate.

Petition for Inclusion

Ed Laudick made a motion to grant the petition for inclusion for the property north of Eagle Lake subdivision owned by Water Supply and Storage. Vern Sunset seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Scott Baker made a motion to grant the petition to include property located at Valley View Road. Ed Laudick seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

11. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:40 p.m., as there was no other business to come before the Board, Ed Laudick moved to adjourn, Scott Baker seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Secretary

Approved: _____
President