

SEWER & WATER COMMITTEE MEETING
APPROVED MINUTES

November 10, 2011

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Dan Wilkins, Erik Henrikson

STAFF PRESENT: Cindy Gustafson, General Manager
Kelli Twomey, Dir. Of Resource Dev. & Community Relations
Tony Laliotis, Director of Utilities
Matt Homolka, District Engineer
Ramona Cruz, Dir. Of Accounting & Employee Services, Treasurer
Coral Lochridge, Technical Services Supervisor
Carol Hackbarth, Administrative Secretary

PUBLIC PRESENT: Brad Leary, Tapco Construction

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 a.m. by Director Henrikson.

1. ESCROW SEWER AIR TESTING (Ordinance 171) – PROPOSED REVISIONS

Mrs. Lochridge reviewed her memorandum. The sewer testing has been effective 83% of all properties have been tested. Director Henrikson said the new owners are happy to know their sewer is good and he agrees with the recommendation for 10 years between tests for new or completely replaced sewer lines. Mr. Leary, Tapco Construction, also agrees with this.

Discussion pursued on the modification to major remodel permits. Director Henrikson would like the testing to only be triggered if the customer touches the sewer lateral. Mr. Laliotis said the Board of Realtors have concerns that older homes have not been tested and yet they have to test their for-sale homes. Ms. Gustafson said the Board of Realtors would like more triggers for testing requirements. The advantages and disadvantages of sewer testing requirements were discussed. Staff recommends requiring all Major Remodel Permits to air test the sewer line. Mrs. Lochridge said this could potential affect 20 to 30 properties yearly. Director Wilkins said we should go with staff's recommendation. Director Henrikson concurred with reluctance. Mr. Homolka said the board will not see this again until the Ordinance is revised.

Mr. Leary also asked to have the definition of what constitutes a line replacement to be looked at and better defined. Currently the District says three (3) repairs require a line replacement. If this is three repairs in 200 feet then maybe not a line replacement, but if it is in 10 feet then yes replace that section of line. Mr. Leary also said he still comes across ABS pipe, which is known to have leaks and the District says needs to be replaced.

2. LAKE FOREST WATER SYSTEM REPLACEMENT – PHASE 2 – PRIVATE

Director Henrikson said we should treat it the same and the Lower Tahoe Tavern project. Director Wilkins is concerned the setting precedence with District property tax money. Since this is resulting from an independent water companies customers requesting the District acquire their water system, perhaps they should solely be responsible. Mr. Homolka indicated in their ballot it said their lines may need to be modified and they would be financially responsible. There was discussion on the advantages and disadvantages of having the customers responsible for relocating their service lateral versus the District

being responsible. Mr. Henrikson said since the Lake Forest Water customers are not being accessed as originally planned they will not be as bothered with this process.

Directors Henrikson and Wilkins approve staff's recommendation.

3. ROCKY RIDGE TANK RECOATING – CONSULTANT SELECTION

Directors Wilkins and Henrikson both approve staff's recommendation.

4. TECHNICAL CONSULTANT SELECTION REPORT

Mr. Homolka said this is informational only since the contract value was under the \$10,000 benchmark. There was discussion on the Dollar Point PRV (pressure reducing valve) modifications.

5. DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES REPORT

Mr. Laliotis reviewed his report. Director Wilkins asked for numbers for water production and water sold to be included. Director Henrikson would like that also.

6. DISTRICT ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Homolka said staff has been focused on the budget and closing out projects.

7. PROJECT ACTIVITY REPORT

No comments nor questions made.

8. TECHNICAL SERVICES REPORT

No comments nor questions made.

9. GIS & INFORMATION MANAGEMENT REPORT

Mr. Homolka said all of the maps of District facilities have been scanned and will be indexed to the GIS system. This has and is a huge project. He continued that Mr. Barclay has been working with the parks staff on their facilities. The goal is to be complete with GIS and have it rolled out to staff by next year.

10. PUBLIC FORUM

Comments were made by Brad Leary in Item #1. No other public comment.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 a.m.

Carol Hackbarth, Utilities Coordinator