

MOUNTAIN GREEN SEWER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
Minutes for the Board of Trustees Meeting
7:00 P.M., Thursday, July 21, 2011

Board Members Present: Chairman Lynn Peterson, Shane Rice, Wendy Eliason, Mark Devoe and Mary Hazard. Excused: Blair Larsen and Tina Kelley. Others Present: Dennis Baldwin and Janet Boudrero

Invocation: Mark Devoe

Chair: Lynn Peterson welcomed those present and chaired this meeting.

Item #1. Discussion / Decision: Purchase of a Replacement Tractor.

Dennis proposed that the District should purchase a John Deere 4105 compact tractor to replace the previously-owned John Deere 4400 tractor currently in use at the District. He explained that replacement of the current tractor is not an emergency item, but that it should be replaced before major failures occur. He said that the District could pay \$10,000 down and the balance in two yearly installments. After verifying that the District has ample funds, Mark suggested that we pay the full cost of the tractor at once, thus eliminating interest costs.

Since the old tractor was previously owned and had serious problems, Mary questioned if the proposed tractor would be previously owned and Dennis indicated that it will be new. He said that the new tractor would include a two year warranty.

After more board discussion on this item, Mary made a motion that the Board authorize Dennis to purchase the John Deere 4105 tractor from Greenline Equipment in Tremonton and to increase the equipment budget by \$15,000 to allow for the full purchase price of the tractor, thus saving the District interest over the next two years. Mark seconded the motion. All voted in the affirmative.

Item # 2. Discussion / Decision: Biological Additive

Dennis said that continued use of this biological additive would enhance the treatment process. He indicated that it will not work miracles but it does reduce the grease and fats at the lift station and is worth doing for the next six months.

After Board discussion, Wendy made a motion that we allow Dennis to purchase the biological additive for the Monte Verde Lift Station and authorize the budget increase of \$1300. Shane seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Item # 3. Discussion / Decision: Quarterly Budget Review

Dennis reviewed with the Board the quarterly budget, which shows some additional increases for needed expenditures. He noted increases for engineering, treatment supplies, line repairs and for a replacement chlorine inductor pump. He explained that the District operates as an enterprise and hence does not need to have a public hearing for budget increases. He emphasized that the budget should be increased as needed such that the District always operates within a current Budget, as we could be criticized for not doing so.

After some discussion on this item, Mark made a motion to approve the Quarterly Budget with the increases as noted. Mary seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Item # 4. Discussion: District Operations

Dennis updated the Board on the recent operations of the District. He explained that JPS Dive Services moved the baffle in pond one back toward the original position and pinned it in four places to relieve stress on the end restraints. He reported that the blower shutdown problem was due to partial blockages caused by disintegrated aluminum noise reducers, which have been removed. He noted that AQUA Environmental removed the nested eight-inch Parshall flume, thus allowing for more accurate measurement of high flows through the twelve-inch flume, and also recalibrated the influent and effluent ultrasonic meters. He also mentioned that eddies in the flow of wastewater in the headworks are causing excess buildup of waste in the flow channel and that action is being taken to remedy the issue.

Dennis stated that he has requested Bill Holyoak of Mountain Engineering to survey the area north of the Koolmees for a possible roadway to allow access to the off-road sewer line. Finally, he remarked that the District lab data and the daily measurements continue to be well within our permit limits.

Item # 5. Discussion: District Statistics

Dennis briefly reviewed the District financial and other data as of 30 June, 2011.

Item # 6. Discussion / Decision: Review and approval of May 19 and June 16 Minutes.

After board review of the minutes, Shane made a motion to approve minutes as written. Wendy seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Adjourned: 8:15 P.M.

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