

FOUR CORNERS COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT MINUTES
Board Meeting May 8, 2006

1. Call to Order: Meeting was held in the main Conference Room at the Library of the Monforton Elementary School, 6001 Monforton School Road, Bozeman, Montana

Present: John Hulme, Richard Smith, Chris Nelson, Mike Pearson (arrived at 6:45 p.m.)

Also present: Susan Swimley, attorney for the District, members of the public

A quorum of three being present, the meeting was called to Order at approximately 6:30 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes: Richard Smith moved approval of the minutes as presented from the February 16, 2006 meeting. Chris Nelson seconded the motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

3. Old Business:

- a. The Board considered the two different processes to remove the Garden Center real property from the District. John Hulme recommended that the Board initiate the action to remove the Garden Center property. All Board members agreeing, the matter was referred to Susan Swimley for follow up and action.

- b. Richard Smith advised the Board that he is working through the area North of Norris Road and new annexations. The resolution process was discussed. Richard moved to proceed with the a Resolution including charges as approved at the February 16, 2006 meeting . John Hulme seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Richard Smith update the Board on his meetings with Ron Edwards. Ron has agreed to present the Board with a proposed scope of work and estimate for establishing computerizing the District's billing, work with taxation resolutions and shared the information with regard to the charges in other districts and municipalities. The Board discussed the possible need for varying services areas to accommodate the differing methods of contributions to capital.

The Board unanimously decided to take the steps necessary to amend the Utility Solution contract to ensure Lonny Walker and Tom Lobben are assessed for service being received.

- c. Annual Report (accounting)

Richard advised the Board that the District needs a chart of accounts in order to generate the annual report.

Richard moved to receive authority to negotiate a contract with Ron Edwards as a consultant to establish the bookkeeping/accounts. The Board will also need to hire a certified public accountant to review and audit the books of the District.

Chris seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

4. New Business

- a. Black Bull Run. The Board discussed the process once a petition is received. The election administrator prefers a mail ballot. No Petition received to date.
- b. Flikkema . The Board discussed the process once a petition is received. The election administrator prefers a mail ballot. No Petition received to date.
- c. Gallatin Heights. The Board discussed the process once a petition is received. The election administrator prefers a mail ballot. No Petition received to date.
- d. Appointment of new Board member: The Board received two (2) letters of interest: Don McHenry and Ben Savor. Richard moved to appoint Don McHenry to fill the term of Dennis Simpson. John Hulme seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- e. Update on litigation for Lohemeir v. Gallatin County provided.
- f. Update on contract modifications with Utility Solutions for South of Norris Road property was provided by Richard Smith. The discussions have been opened and different assessment methods are being contemplated. Different services might be provided such as water and not sewer or vice versa.

5. Public Participation: Stanley Hasting spoke about his property. He would like to see estimates for infrastructure and service.

Jimmy Lohmeir offered his congratulations and comment on what the future will bring.

George Metcalf commented on possible areas of expansion for the district and suggested the Board discuss planning for expansion with Ron Edwards.

Susan Swimley updated the Board on difficulties with the Bozeman Daily Chronicle legal advertisement publications. Suggested the Board set a regular meeting time of 1st Wednesday at 6:30 at the School. Additionally, the Board needs to sign a facility use

agreement with the school. John offered to post the agendas at Mama Mac's and Kountry Korner.

6. Board Member Issues

Chris Nelson agreed to extend his term through the summer (August 2006) and until the financial issues of the district are resolved..

7. Adjourn Meeting

Respectfully Submitted



Susan B. Swimley
acting secretary and legal counsel