

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Big Plains Water and Sewer Special Service District, Washington County, Utah that was held on the 20th day of June, 2012 at the Smithsonian Fire Department Building, 1777 N. Meadowlark Dr., Apple Valley, Utah.

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Dennis Bass.
3. Roll Call: Neil Duncan, Harold Merritt, Mayor Moser, and Dennis Bass were present. Kevin Sair was excused. Nathan Bronemann took minutes. Rod Mills of Ensign Engineering was present.

Chairman Dennis Bass announced that he would be resigning as chairman and board member of the SSD after this meeting.

4. Declarations of conflict of interests.

None stated.

5. Status update on the purchase agreement – Mayor Moser

Mayor Moser said that the attorney anticipated backing the purchase agreement in about a week's time.

Rod Mills announced that the activity level pertaining to the water company purchase had drastically increased in the past couple days and that things were progressing much faster now. Referring to the Division of Drinking Water funding package, he said the parameters resolution was the first phase in the bonding program. He said that it would give the limitations of the funding. He said that the resolution would need to be reviewed by the board in the July 3rd meeting. He said that there would then need to be a public hearing on the bond issue and parameters resolution that he recommended be scheduled for July 18th. On the following board meeting of August 1st, he recommended adopting the bond resolution.

Rod Mills said that they continue to do the due diligence on the water company assets. He said that the plan was to purchase 180 acre-feet from the Apple Valley Water Company and 60 acre-feet from the Cedar Point Water Company. The purchase agreement would be that those entities would surrender the remainder of their water into a water bank.

Rod Mills said clear right-of-ways do not currently exist in many of the areas that should have them in place. He said that that would have to be cleared up in the near future.

Rod Mills said that a water conservation plan needed to be drawn up and adopted by the board of the SSD. He said that this would have to be done very soon for funding approval. He said that they could close on the first part of the funding in mid to late August.

Rod Mills said that the storage and source components had a few different options. He said that he did not believe that there existed more water rights than water in this area, but that they were still doing the analysis. He said that the Apple Valley area was sustainable, but that they were still looking at how much growth would be sustainable with the current water in the area aquifers.

6. Discussion and possible action on tentative purchase

See above.

7. Acquisitions – Dennis Bass

Nothing to report.

8. Funding – Kevin Sair

Nothing to report.

9. Operations – Neil Duncan

Nothing to report.

10. Resource Management – Mayor Moser

Mayor Moser said that in the last few weeks there have been a number of glitches with the final contract negotiations. He said that in the event that some of the source and storage assets ended up in a situation where the SSD was unable to purchase them, there are other options that can be pursued.

11. Development – Harold Merritt

Nothing to report.

12. Consider approval of minutes:

a. May 16, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Neil Duncan to approve the May 16, 2012 regular meeting minutes. Harold Merritt seconded the motion. Vote: Neil Duncan-yes, Harold Merritt-yes, Mayor Moser-yes, and Dennis Bass-yes. The motion passed 4/0.

13. Request for a closed session

None requested.

14. Adjournment

Motion made by Mayor Moser to adjourn the meeting. Neil Duncan seconded the motion. Vote: Neil Duncan-yes, Harold Merritt-yes, Mayor Moser-yes, and Dennis Bass-yes. The motion passed 4/0.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:34 PM.

Date approved: _____

ATTEST BY: _____
Nathan Bronemann

Co-Chairman Harold Merritt