

Minutes of the public hearing and regular meeting of the Big Plains Water and Sewer Special Service District, Washington County, Utah that was held on the 18th day of January, 2017 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 Harold Merritt.
3. Roll Call: Jack Davis, Harold Merritt, Ron Brown, and Mayor Moser were present. Neil Duncan arrived late. Judith Davis was present. Dale Harris was present. Rod Mills of Ensign Engineering was present. Legal Counsel was excused. Nathan Bronemann was present taking minutes.
4. Declarations of conflict of interests
None stated.
5. Construction and Acquisitions – Harold Merritt
 - a. New Water Systems

Mayor Moser said he had heard back from the attorney and the executed MOU document for Canaan Mountain water should be back to them by early next week.

6. Funding – Rod Mills

Harold Merritt recommended gravity feeding of the water from the Canaan springs to the tanks.

Rod Mills said this would be preferable if the easements could be obtained.

Jack Davis asked if we had been in contact with the BLM in reference to obtaining water easements.

Rod Mills said they were waiting to have the purchase agreement in place.

Mayor Moser said there was a time limit and they needed to close on the sale prior to June 2017 when Kurt Webb's position as president of the company changes.

7. Operations – Neil Duncan

Dale Harris said they had received a lot of rain and he was concerned about rock slides near the million gallon tank.

Rod Mills said they had done some initial estimates on the area around the tank and they needed to revisit the issue.

The board discussed adding this issue to the funding package that would be used for Canaan water.

Jack Davis asked if they could just add another tank in another location.

Rod Mills said they had looked at several potential locations for future water storage tanks.

Ron Brown said they needed to look at the cost of shoring up the area by the current tank versus a new tank.

Rod Mills said he estimated the cost of a new tank at close to five times the cost of the stabilization.

Neil Duncan arrived at 6:17 pm.

8. Resource Management – Mayor Moser

Nothing to discuss.

9. Development – Jack Davis

Rod Mills said there were several new connections and main line extensions in the works that could pan out.

- a. Water Rates
Nothing to discuss.
- b. Sewer
Nothing to discuss.

10. Review of Policies and Procedures

Rod Mills had been assigned to research cross connection programs. He said he had done the research into what other areas were doing. He recommended the board allow him to draft a proposed policy from the template provided by the State. He said they needed to have a policy in place as well as an individual who was to oversee the program. He said he could have that policy ready for review next week.

11. Consent Calendar - Income and Expenses

Motion made by Ron Brown to accept the consent calendar as presented. Mayor Moser seconded the motion. Vote: Jack Davis-yes, Neil Duncan, Mayor Moser-yes, Ron Brown-yes, and Harold Merritt-yes. The motion passed 5/0.

The board reviewed the current budget.

12. Consider approval of minutes:

- a. January 4, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes
Motion made by Mayor Moser to approve the January 4, 2017 regular meeting minutes. Jack Davis seconded the motion. Vote: Jack Davis-yes, Neil Duncan, Mayor Moser-yes, Ron Brown-yes, and Harold Merritt-yes. The motion passed 5/0.

13. Request for a closed session

None requested.

14. Adjournment

Motion made by Jack Davis to adjourn the meeting. Neil Duncan seconded the motion. Vote: Jack Davis-yes, Neil Duncan, Mayor Moser-yes, Ron Brown-yes, and Harold Merritt-yes. The motion passed 5/0.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:30 PM.

Date approved: _____

ATTEST BY: _____
Nathan Bronemann

Chairman Harold Merritt