

LA PLATA WEST WATER AUTHORITY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meeting Minutes for February 4, 2015

1. Call to order- Roy Horvath called the meeting to order at 6:36 pm. Board members in attendance were Roy Horvath, Kevin Mallow, Priscilla Blackhawk-Rentz, JT Coyne, Paul Gray, Barb McCall, Mardi Gebhardt, and Frank Smith; Suzanne Wilhelm attended by telephone. Others in attendance were: Celene Hawkins with UMUT, Jeff Shamburg with Bartlett & West, Clyde Davies, Ken Spence.
2. Approve Agenda-agenda was approved without changes.
3. Review minutes from January 21, 2015 meeting- Motion to approve the minutes was made by Mardi and seconded by Barb, was approved.
4. Comments and communications-Mr. Davies had a question on whether the money people put down would be refunded if the project doesn't go. Roy answered the question with the following: yes the money gets refunded if we are not successful with our funding application. Frank got an email from John McCabe from Thompson Park. Frank asked Roy to respond and he did. Roy exchanged emails with Tom Hartnett regarding some possible misinformation that was being talked about. Barb will contact the Shirks to clear up the information.
5. Treasurer's update & current invoices-Mardi did not do a treasurers report as there was nothing new to report. Mardi received the invoice from Colorado Water and Land Law with the breakdown according to time spent on each phase, in the total amount of \$227.50. Frank made a motion to pay the bill and invoice the other parties once we have B&W's next invoice, JT seconded the motion which was approved. The LPWWA invoice to the tribes and LDWA will need to be itemized to identify the costs for attorney's fees as well as B&W's fees associated with Phase 0 Raw Water Pipeline.

Old Business

1. Resolution 2015-2 pertaining to easements and Resolution 2015-3 pertaining to eminent domain-We reviewed Resolution 2015-2 pertaining to easements, Paul made a motion to approve resolution 2015-2, Mardi seconded the motion which was approved. We reviewed resolution 2015-3, Mardi made the motion to approve the resolution 2015-3 pertaining to eminent domain, JT seconded the motion which was approved.
2. Review of updated WUA and payment provisions, commitments for Phases other than Phase 1-we discussed the possibilities surrounding the different types of subscriptions available (e.g. reserve tap as opposed to a primary tap). Mr. Davies had a question on the tap price for those committed in 2010. The tap price for those who committed in 2010 and are in phase 1. Payment plan will be worked on separately. Ken will need to take down the WUA form on the website or provide a statement regarding the form being under revision.
3. Progress update on Phase 1 cultural/environmental survey permissions-Clyde Davies gave us permission to add his parcel to the survey for cultural and environmental. If you cannot find a phone number list the parcel number and get them to Jeff and he can get a researcher to find them.
4. Update from Bartlett & West on MHI research & eligibility for Revolving Fund design funding- Jeff will send out the MHI information. Jeff does not recommend a door to door survey. Jeff recommends going forward with Phase 1 PER without the expectation of a grant component.

New Business

1. Review Phase 0 & Phase 1 Schedules & progress updates for both phases – timing coordination for easement letters & engagement process for Phase 1 sign-ups-Jeff provided the update for Phase 1: Jeff talked to Bryan and Bryan's advice is to go forward with everything. Jeff will have the cover letter prepared for the next meeting. Roy asked if we have a visual of how the parcels with permission to survey are aligned. Jeff will send that link to the board. The cultural and environmental surveys are held up because of the snow cover. USDA needs PER and Environmental Report for a complete application. We will need the cash in hand to finalize the loan with USDA. We will need to update the payment dates. Roy proposed to put together a subcommittee to update printed materials, have signs lined out, and getting in touch with people to get meetings together. JT asked if we are going to have the forms printed in bulk. Roy stated RC&D may be able to help with color printing. JT, Roy, Mardi, and Paul will work on updating the information for future meetings this Friday at 2:00pm at Mardi's house. We will have a meeting Sunday afternoon with the group near Chester Jones place 2pm at the school.

Jeff provided a revised Phase 0 schedule. Jeff explained that the electrical extension may cost more than anticipated. We may need to put together a project budget rather than relying on the engineer's cost estimate. Geotech was substantially completed, there are two more holes to drill down below that must be accessed once the snow melts. Two issues that weren't contemplated in the three party agreement are the cost of the electrical extension and how it is spread across the phases, the other issue is the booster station which wasn't included initially. Jeff would like to get numbers to us before the next design meeting so the three parties can agree on the numbers.

2. Operating funds sources/options-Roy mentioned that the southwest meeting is coming up we will need to have a representative to detail what we have spent the grant funds on. The roundtable meeting is coming up in April. If we wish to submit an application we will need to put it together by February 18th or 19th in order to get it to CWCB for review prior to submitting. Celene with permission from Priscilla offered to help with insight into the state grant application process.
3. Next design/engineering meeting – February 19, 2014 8-10 AM
4. Next Board Meeting dates - regular Board meetings – February 18, 2015, and March 4 & 18, 2015
5. Adjourn- 9:10pm

Minutes as reported by Frank Smith, LPWWA Secretary

Approved on February 18, 2015

