

La Plata West Water Authority
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes for April 1, 2015

1. Call to Order-Roy Horvath called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Board members in attendance were Roy Horvath, Kevin Mallow, Paul Gray, Priscilla Blackhawk-Rentz, Mardi Gebhardt, JT Coyne, and Frank Smith. Others in attendance were Brian Conner, Tom Brossia, Jeanette Haas and Celene Hawkins. Jeff Shamburg with Bartlett & West arrived at 6:37pm
 2. Approve Agenda-approved without changes
 3. Review Minutes for March 18, 2015 meeting-Kevin made a motion to approve the minutes; JT seconded the motion, which was approved.
 4. Comments and Communications- Roy had a request from County Commissioner Lachelt to meet. Roy will arrange a meeting and let everyone who is interested know when it will be so they can attend. There is one group just west of the current boundary that is interested in having a neighborhood meeting. This group is near the intersection of Hwy 140 and CR 134. Mardi reported that everything is squared away with the tribes regarding the insurance coverage. Celene requested a little more information but Mardi didn't receive the request. Celene thought it may be because they are getting new servers. Mae Morley asked for more information packets for the upcoming SWCD seminar Friday. Mardi worked with Jeff on the La Plata Electric application packet. Mardi has a letter that will be sent to the tribes regarding the interest in the intake structure. Roy has an email from Gene Bradley that will be reviewed during the Phase 0 discussion.
 5. Treasurer's update & current invoices-
- Old Business
1. Review public meetings, update on sign-ups, discuss engagement plans going forward-Roy and Jeff have reviewed the area west of the school and there is incentive to pursue those properties for inclusion. There are currently 9 committed parcels and 11 potential. The area south of Kline will be pursued as well. There are 6 commitments and 5 potential commitments in this area. Mardi, Jeanette, and Frank are willing to meet with the folks west of the school as well as the area near Hwy 140 & CR 134 to encourage participation in the project. JT got updated quotes for the "I'm on Tap" yard signs. Fast signs in Durango quoted 18"X24" signs at \$7.76/ each for a base quantity of 500. We may consider ordering less (possibly 200) but the cost may go up. Mardi updated the letter to property owners and presented it at the meeting.
 2. Update on easement letters and related proposals from Bartlett & West-Easement letters are drafted and in QA, they can cut all but five loose to be sent out. Jeff stated that the price for easement process is what he stated in previous meeting \$5,000 to complete. This will be a new task order.
 3. Potential candidates for LPWWA appointed Board seat to be vacated late April 2015-Jeanette Haas & Brian Conner are interested in the open board seat. JT announced that he and his wife will be leaving the area due to health reasons and doctor recommendations. Therefore, there will be two board positions to fill. One is the ALP seat and the other is the one appointed by the LPWWA Board. JT will

continue to work with us until he leaves. Brian gave a brief background of his life, ties to the area, and his interest in the project. Tom Brossia relayed that ALP would most likely have to advertise the position prior to filling it. Roy asked about if there were special provisions for midterm appointments. Tom asked Roy to contact the ALP office. We will hold off on the appointments until more information is known.

4. Phase 0 update/progress report-BOR presentation – there was discussion of water quality and zebra mussels. Roy reported that he had several questions regarding fluoridation so he asked Charlie with LDWA and LDWA does not fluoridate the water. There is a trace amount that occurs naturally but it is not added. Roy passed out the printout of the email that Gene Bradley sent out. Tom reported that they have impressed upon BOR that there is a real urgent need to get the request for consultation understood and the EA finalized so the project can move forward. The BOR license agreement is in Amy and Jeff's court there are still some questions unanswered that prevent finalization. Jeff is working on getting a meeting set up with BOR, LPEA, B&W, and Amy to review EA requirements and get the license agreement moved forward. There may be a need to add another design meeting per month to get things fast tracked. Jeff proposed a meeting after 90% drawings are completed to discuss value engineering ideas, or other aspects that may have alternate bid ideas on May 6, 2015 8am – 12pm. Roy expressed the Tribes wish to discuss the OM&R agreements with LPWWA. Roy suggested meeting with the Tribes prior to or in parallel with LPWWA and LDWA OM&R agreements. Mardi asked if the Trautner invoice could be sent to the tribes? The invoice is broken out proportionally. Both Tribes representatives thought that it should be sent, Jeff mentioned sending it in with his next invoice next week.

New Business

1. SWCD Water Seminar, Friday, April 3, 2015 8:00 am-4:30pm-
2. Linda Conner found some information on a grant that may be available through the Gates Foundation (Gates Rubber Family, not Bill Gates). The next application cycle is July 1, 2015; for which we could get something put together.
3. Next Board meeting dates- regular Board Meeting- April 15, May 6 & 20, 2015
4. Next design/ engineering- April 16, 2015 8-10 am
5. Adjourn-8:26pm

Minutes as reported by Frank Smith LPWWA Secretary,
Approved on April 15, 2015

