

**MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
CLIFTON WATER DISTRICT
THURSDAY, February 4, 2016**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Dale Peck, Chairman; Stan Sparks: Vice-Chair; Melvin Diffendaffer, Director

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Dale Tooker; David Reinertsen; Brian Sheley;
Karen Zimmerman

GUESTS: Peter Firmin, Colorado State Parks
Eight (8) Community Members

REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Peck called the February 4, 2016 Regular Meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and opened the meeting with the introduction Board and Staff, and Mr. Peter Firmin of the State Division of Parks and Wildlife. Chairman Peck acknowledged the area residents present for the Public Forum and Discussion of the reservation only limited waterfowl hunting proposal. Mr. Firmin presented a PowerPoint plan of the proposal and then answered questions and provided clarification to those in attendance. The general consensus of those area residents in attendance was favorable to the proposal as long as the area is monitored and access controlled. Director Diffendaffer suggested that the District will provide decision updates to those present at the meeting. The attendees and Mr. Firmin exited the meeting at 5:55 pm.

Chairman Peck noted that Directors Burger and Genova had excused absences from this meeting.

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 7, 2016 REGULAR MEETING

Director Diffendaffer moved to approve the January 7, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes as submitted. Director Sparks seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Director Sparks moved to accept the Financial Report and Approve Accounts Payable Regular Checks of \$61,982.05. Director Diffendaffer seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Manager Tooker noted that due to unforeseen staffing issues, the Benefits Checks and Supplemental Checks would be generated at a later date for Board signatures and ratification at the regularly scheduled March 3rd Board Meeting.

MANAGER'S REPORTS

Manager Tooker reported final water sales for 2015 were down 1.6% from 2014 with treatment plant outflow values approximately 0.8% less in 2015. There were eight (8) new water taps sold in December, prior to implementation of the higher Plant Investment Fees, effective January 1, 2016. Manager Tooker also pointed out that the District overtime hours worked was about 300 hours less than what was utilized in 2014.

EXPRESS AGENDA

Director Diffendaffer moved to approve the Express Agenda item. Director Sparks seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The Express Agenda (*File 02/04/2016*) item is as follows:

Partnership of Safe Water – Director Award for 2015 – The District recently received the 2015 Director’s Award from the Partnership for Safe Water. This is the ninth consecutive year the District has received this award. The award recognizes the efforts of the Treatment Plant to maintain the highest water quality standards possible.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2016 Property Casualty and Liability Insurance Renewal – Since Mr. Hamilton was unable to attend the meeting as scheduled, it was Board consensus to request a reschedule of his presentation at the March 3rd Regular Board Meeting.

James M. Robb – Colorado State Parks – One of the items identified by Mr. Firmin during the Public Forum was his desire to issue the original operating lease with the District for a three year term. Near the end of the initial three-year term, the conditions and operational record could be evaluated and modified as necessary for the next lease extension if warranted. Manager Tooker suggested establishing a property owner Ad Hoc committee, consisting of three area residents along with District staff to report to the Board as to any issues or concerns that may have developed over the initial lease term. The Board did not take final action on the proposal at this time, identifying the need to make final decision with as many Board members present as possible.

NEW BUSINESS

Out of District Service Request – Mesa County Tax Parcel 2967-133-00-218; Lot 4 Meserve Fruit Tracts, Whitewater – Assistant Manager Reinertsen presented a Staff Report (*File 02/04/2016, 2016 Staff Reports*) requesting Out-of-District water service for property known as Lot 4 Meserve Fruit Tracts, Whitewater, CO. Director Sparks moved to approve the Scott property, known as Lot 4 Merserve Fruit Tracts, Whitewater, CO, Tax Schedule ID #2967-133-00-218, to be provided water service as an Out-of-District account and that it would be served by no more than one (1) single residential service tap governed by all District policies. Director Diffendaffer seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Director Sparks declared that he has had past business dealings with the variance requester below, but stated that he can render an unbiased decision regarding the request.

Policy #410 Variance Request – Mesa County Tax Parcel 2943-274-00-022; 3165 B½ Road – Assistant Manager Reinertsen presented a Staff Report (*File 02/04/2016, 2016 Staff Reports*) for a variance from the Multiple Unit Plant Investment Fee requirement identified within Policy #410 Plant Investment Fees. The requirements for the issued Conditional Use Permit by Mesa County identified compliance with Clifton Water District Multiple Unit Plant Investment Policy.

Director Sparks moved to deny the Variance Request but offer the following options: a) Petitioner can purchase a full individual service tap for the second unit at 2015 rates, or b) Petitioner can purchase the Multiple-Unit Plant Investment Fee at 2015 rates, since the Conditional Use Permit Process began in 2015. Director Diffendaffer seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The Board further stated that a separate request to the Board shall be made by the Petitioner if a time payment plan is requested to satisfy the amounts owing for the option selected.

ADJOURNMENT

Director Peck moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

Dale Peck

-Excused-

Doralyn Genova

Melvin Diffendaffer

Stan Sparks

-Excused-

Robert K. Burger