

HAMILTON CREEK METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Thursday, April 1, 2010
Silverthorne Library

Attending Board members:

Ann Beauprez	Niel Christensen
Denny Archer	Lowell Graves
Tom Hand	

Others attending:

Bob Polich	Administrator, Mountain Systems, Inc.
Matt Willitts	Water Operator, Water Solutions
Jacque DeLorimier	Hamilton Creek Association President
Chuck Harris	220 Lakeview Circle
Bill Ferris	2191 Hamilton Creek Road
Kathy & Bill Bonner	230 Lakeview Circle
Carole Howard	901 Lakeview Circle
Cort Nickel	Principal Engineer, Clear Water Solutions

President Lowell Graves called the meeting to order at 1:05 PM.

Minutes. *The minutes from the December 2, 2009 meeting were approved as written. (Christensen/Beauprez,5-0).*

Water Operations Report. Matt Willitts of Water Solutions provided the Board with an update of operations. No bids have been obtained yet on installing alarms on the water tank hatch. The results from the February testing of water treatment byproducts were close to the maximum action level. Sufficient filter bags for the water treatment necessary during run off have been ordered. More frequent bag replacement is required during run off. The annual inspection of the treatment monitoring equipment was completed during the winter. The hydrant maintenance work may start early if favorable weather conditions continue. There was a more detailed discussion of the byproduct or TTHM test results. The primary cause of the increased levels is the reaction of organics with chlorine likely accelerated with the pine beetle trees. The use of chlorine for water treatment is required by the State of Colorado.

Financial. A financial summary for the two months ending in February was provided to the Board. The District was better than budgeted for the limited period to date. It was likely a budget amendment for 2010 will be necessary during the November / December 2011 budget consideration as the meter project and forest work in the tank area were deferred from the 2009 budget into 2010. There was a discussion on the history of the forest maintenance work. The financial summary includes a projected three year budget that factors repayment of a \$1.25 million dollar 20 year loan to build a new treatment facility. The repayment could be accomplished within the current rate and tax structure.

Water Meters. New meters have been installed in 72 of the 99 homes. The system is operating as anticipated.

Election. Petitions from three candidates were received for the available three positions on the Board of Directors. *The Board approved a motion to cancel the May 4, 2010 election. (Hand/Archer,5-0).* The new members of the Board with four year terms will be Jacque DeLorimier, Chuck Harris, and Bill Ferris. The Oath of Office was taken by the new members. The election of officers will be at the next meeting.

Water Tank Revegetation. Proposals for revegetation of the water tank area that was clear cut in the fall of 2009 were provided to the Board. There was a discussion of the water tank security and camouflaging of the tank. No action was taken at this time. There was a discussion of the various options of revegetation to consider and the cost benefits of assisting the natural process. Owner Carole Howard provided concepts of reseeding in the area. *The Board deferred any action on reforestation and would address the topic again in the fall. (Archer/Christensen,5-0). The Board approved taking action to reseed the area at the appropriate time with Carole Howard assisting in obtaining the seeds. (Hand/Christensen,5-0).*

Water Treatment Facility. Clear Water Solutions provided the District with a preliminary engineering report for the replacement of the existing temporary water treatment system. Cort Nickel of Clear Water Solutions attended the meeting and provided a summary of the report and answered questions from those in attendance. The current water treatment facility was constructed in 2003 to meet a State enforcement order to remove fluoride from the water system. The prior system utilizing two deep wells had poor water quality. The existing plant uses a bag filtration system to remove particles from the water. The bags are similar to socks and can be thrown out when clogged. The system is difficult to operate during spring runoff and may not be able to meet future water treatment standards. The report addressed goals of defining a backup water supply, managing treatment waste in a financially prudent manner, meeting drinking water standards, and incorporating a community room. The plant location and waste removal using a Class 5 injection well was discussed in detail. The recommended option in the report was to locate a treatment plant at a new location. The estimated cost was \$1.1 million. The engineer outlined the next process to further develop data of the replacement plant and more closely determine a cost of the facility. *The Board approved continuing with the design of a plant on a new site to provide more detailed costs for the next meeting. (Hand/Beauprez,5-0).*

Next Meeting. The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, June 3, 2010 at a time to be determined.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 PM