

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
ESPARTO COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
ESPARTO, CA

REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 10, 2005
MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Chairman Laurel Kieny.

2. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT Jack Huie, Barry Burns, Mike Goodin and Laurel Kieny

MEMBERS ABSENT Joseph Moreland

OTHERS PRESENT David Herbst

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Director Mike Goodin made a motion to approve the agenda and was seconded by Director Jack Huie.

No discussion.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public comment, as none were present.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Director Mike Goodin made a motion to approve the minutes of July 13, 2005, and was seconded by Director Barry Burns.

No discussion.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1

6. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Director Jack Huie questioned the Groeniger & Company invoice.

Director Mike Goodin questioned the water account amount for P. G. & E.

The General Manager stated Groeniger was money spent on new water and sewer tap supplies and that the P. G. & E. water account amount now runs approximately 30% lower than prior to the present General Manager's arrival due to several cost cutting measures. He also stated that running the aeration pump at the ponds costs about \$800.00 per month.

Director Mike Goodin questioned the street lighting account.

The General Manager stated that the street lighting account payables balance with receivables and that he will inform the Board when this account begins to cost the District more than the District receives.

Chairman Laurel Kieny made a motion to approve the claims Fund 466-0 in the amount of \$34,700.97, with the addition of a mileage claim for David Herbst in the amount of \$298.08 to be added in the appropriate category, for a total of \$34,999.05 and was seconded by Director Mike Goodin.

No discussion.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1

7. **ONGOING REVIEW OF SITUATION AT WELL #5 AND THE RELATED COMPLIANCE ORDER.**

The General Manager gave a review of the good and bad news at Well #5. The good news was the Department of Health Services has lifted the citation. The bad news was the bowls at Well #5 are rapidly failing. The General Manager further explained the condition of the bowls, and the procedure to follow to correct the problem. Because the water usage varies so much depending upon the temperature the District will attempt to wait for cooler weather to complete the well rebuild.

The General Manager reviewed the status of the work the District has been waiting on from Dauwalder Engineering, and commented his attempts to hurry this process along.

Chairman Laurel Kieny made a motion to continue the resolution to declare Well #5 and the related tank and booster pumps an emergency situation, and was seconded by Director Mike Goodin.

No discussion.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1

8. **SEWER LIFT STATION AND PROPOSED WORKING PARTNERSHIP WITH EMERALD HOMES**

The General Manager passed out a handout to the Board members, showing a quote from ROMTEC Utilities for a pump package for the Lift Station at the WWTF.

The General Manager requested authorization from the Board to be able to work with Emerald Homes to draft an agreement in which they will complete the Lift Station as a turn key project and in return will receive credit against future development fees. This completed legal document will be brought back to the Board for approval. This agreement will show the prime contractor being Emerald Homes but the District will oversee all final decision related to the

design, components used, and construction procedures.

The General Manager reviewed the handout passed out to the Board from ROMTEC Utilities, which includes the components, but does not include the installation costs.

The General Manager reminds the Board of a Block Grant of approximately \$178,000.00, and stated that this funding should cover the costs of the project should Emerald Homes decide not to build any homes.

Director Mike Goodin questioned if the pump package would accommodate the current flow rates.

The General Manager stated the ROMTEC pump package would not only meet the District's current peak flows of 200,000 gallons per day but also an additional 200,000 gallons per day for a combined amount of 400,000 gallons per day. This would meet the existing General Plan, of about 300,000 gallons per day, plus, what is proposed in the General Plan amendments.

The General Manager stated that the District is not going to abandon the existing Lift Station. The District will just be taking it off line, therefore it be available for an emergency situation.

Director Mike Goodin made a motion to authorize the General Manager to work with Emerald Homes to formulate an agreement to complete the wastewater lift station and to return this agreement to the Board for approval and was seconded by Director Barry Burns.

No discussion.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1

9. REPORT ON CRWQCB FINDINGS AND RELATED INFORMATION IN REGARDS TO THE POND REPAIR AND SLUDGE DISPOSAL, ALONG WITH REVIEW OF ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT THAT WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT

The General Manager reviewed with the Board the submittals he had given to the CRWQCB; 1) A request to drain the ponds #7 & #8 at the WWTF, 2) The new Lift Station at the WWTF, 3) The sludge disposal at the WWTF, and 4) The construction of ponds #9 & #10.

The General Manager stated that Anne Olson, of the CRWQCB was very complimentary of the proposed issues and she felt they would all be approved starting with the ground application as soon as the middle of next week, and the other items in about two to three weeks. Anne Olson also stated that if any of the items were going to be denied, she would let the District know in about two to three weeks. Therefore the District should be able to repair ponds #3 & #4, finish the work on pond #1, get ponds #9 & #10 started and complete the ground

application of the sludge.

The General Manager stated that if the District is very conscientious about the ground application the District may be able to continue to do ground application in the future, partly because of continued support from County Board of Supervisors.

The General Manager reviewed with the Board the purchase of a 'wheel line' which has been secured and paid for in the amount of \$3,000.00.

Discussion only.

10. REVIEW OF THE PROGRESS TOWARD OBTAINING USDA FUNDING
The General Manager reviewed discussions with RCAC loan funding, and the frustrations the General Manager has with the government loan process.

Discussion only.

11. MANAGER'S REPORT

12. DISTRICT INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCES
No district information and correspondences.

13. ADJOURNMENT
Director Barry Burns made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m. and was seconded by Director Jack Huie.

No discussion.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Absent: 1

Laurel Kieny-Chairman of the Board

Anna McNamara-Clerk to the Board