

DONALA WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 17, 2016

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE DONALA WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE, 15850 HOLBEIN DRIVE, GLENEAGLE SUBDIVISION, EL PASO COUNTY, COLORADO ON MARCH 17, 2016 AT 1:30 P.M.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: BILL GEORGE
DAVID POWELL
KEN JUDD
BOB DENNY

ABSENT: BILL NANCE

STAFF PRESENT: KIP PETERSEN
BETSY BRAY
SHARON SAMEK

GUESTS JIM KENDRICK
ED HOULE

PRESIDENT BILL GEORGE OFFICIALLY CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 1:30 PM. HE NOTED FOR THE RECORD THAT BILL GEORGE, DAVE POWELL, KEN JUDD AND BOB DENNY ARE ALL PRESENT. NANCE'S ABSENCE WAS EXCUSED. GEORGE ASKED THE ATTENDEES TO PLEASE RISE FOR THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

PUBLIC COMMENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

GEORGE ASKED IF THERE WAS ANY PUBLIC COMMENT. THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT.

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

THE BOARD REVIEWED THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 18, 2016 MEETING. THE MINUTES WERE APPROVED AS CORRECTED.

REVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND CHECK SUMMARIES:

PETERSEN PRESENTED THE FEBRUARY EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND CHECK REGISTERS FOR BOTH DONALA AND THE WASTE TREATMENT PLANT. PETERSEN STATED THAT WE SHOULD BE AT ABOUT 83% REMAINING. HE NOTED THAT HE HAS NO REAL CONCERNS WITH EXPENSES; THEY ARE SHOWING TO BE AN OVERALL 82% REMAINING. A QUESTION WAS ASKED ABOUT CHECK #20169 TO COLORADO WATER WELL; PETERSEN NOTED THAT THIS WAS TO REBUILD THE RAW WATER PUMP. PETERSEN NOTED THAT DONALA WILL PAY FOR POSTAGE THROUGH A POSTAGE MACHINE AND THE MACHINE WILL BE LOADED WITH POSTAGE ONLINE. THE BOARD THEN REVIEWED THE EXECUTIVE SUMMARY FOR THE WASTE TREATMENT PLANT. THE BOARD ASKED ABOUT THE OFFICE EXPENSE PORTION FOR THE WASTE CHECK REGISTERS; CHECK #13197-THE HEXAVALENT CHROME TEST-SAMEK NOTED THAT IT WAS A TEST FOR AFCURE. THE BOARD THEN ASKED ABOUT CHECK NUMBER 13215-THE VALERO FUEL CHARGE-IT WAS NOTED THAT THIS IS THE MONTHLY FUEL BILL FOR THE TRUCKS. GEORGE THEN ASKED IF THE AUDITORS WERE PRESENT TODAY; PETERSEN SAID THAT YES THEY WERE FINISHING UP THE AUDIT TODAY. PETERSEN THEN NOTED THAT THE CHANDLER REPORT IS A SUMMARY ONLY. PETERSEN THEN STATED THAT HE HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH PRICKETT REGARDING A VISIT; PRICKETT HAS BEEN SICK BUT ONCE HE IS BETTER AND CONTACTS PETERSEN, PETERSEN WILL ADVISE BOARD. JUDD MOVED TO ACCEPT FINANCIALS; GEORGE SECOND, ALL "AYE".

MANAGER'S REPORT:

PETERSEN MENTIONED THAT RITZ WILL BE RETIRING AT THE END OF APRIL. HE WOULD LIKE TO PUBLICLY THANK RITZ AT THE APRIL BOARD MEETING.

PETERSEN SAID THAT HE ATTENDED THE ARKANSAS ROUNDTABLE MEETING. IT WAS A VERY SHORT MEETING, WITH MORE UPDATES ON THE SWWSI (STATEWIDE WATER SUPPLY INITIATIVE). BOTH DENNY AND HOULE WILL ATTEND THE NEXT FORUM MEETING AS WILL PETERSEN AND JUDD.

PETERSEN THEN NOTED THAT HE ATTENDED THE PIKES PEAK REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY. BOB DENNY ALSO ATTENDED. PETERSEN FEELS THAT THE RAIN BARREL BILL WILL PASS; HE STATED THAT IF THE BILL DOES PASS, THERE MAY BE A LAWSUIT FILED BY THE STATE OF KANSAS. HE ALSO MENTIONED HOUSE BILL 16-1313 WHICH WILL AFFECT DISTRICTS WITH 2000 ACRE FEET OF WATER THAT THEY PROVIDE. THE BILL WOULD REQUIRE AN ANNUAL REVIEW OF WATER EFFICIENCY AND HOW MUCH WATER IS NOT ACCOUNTED FOR. THIS BILL DOES NOT AFFECT DONALA AT THIS TIME. PETERSEN THEN MENTIONED "THE GREAT DIVIDE", A MOVIE PUT ON BY THE AUTHORITY. HE FELT IT WAS VERY WELL ATTENDED AND HE THANKED THE BOARD MEMBERS THAT ATTENDED. HE FELT IT WAS A GOOD EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH. THE NEXT STEP FOR THE AUTHORITY IS AN ALL-DAY SEMINAR FOR LOCAL LAND USE INDIVIDUALS.

PETERSEN STATED THAT THE WATER RETURNS SEMINAR WILL BE HELD ON APRIL 13, 2016, IN THE BOARDROOM OF THE DONALA WATER DISTRICT. HE HOPES IT WILL BE AS WELL

ATTENDED AS THE LAST ONE. HE FEELS THAT THIS IS ALSO A GREAT EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH FOR THE DONALA COMMUNITY.

PETERSEN NOTED THAT HE HAS RECEIVED THE SIGNED FOREST LAKES METRO DISTRICT IGA. THE TOTAL NUMBER OF TAPS IS 457. HE ALSO NOTED THAT TRIVIEW WILL AGAIN HOLD THEIR BOARD MEETING AT DONALA.

PETERSEN THEN STATED THAT LEONARD RICE AND THE BUREAU OF RECLAMATION ARE WORKING ON THE MODELLING FOR THE BUREAU. THE PERMIT WILL BE OUT FOR PUBLIC COMMENT; BY THE END OF THE SUMMER, HOPEFULLY.

WILLOW CREEK RANCH:

PETERSEN THEN NOTED THAT DONALA WILL START ACCOUNTING FOR WATER ON MAY 1ST, 2016. AS OF THIS TIME, PETERSEN EXPECTS THAT THE RESERVOIR WILL NEED TO SPILL. HE EXPECTS THAT THERE WILL BE A SPILL AND DONALA WILL BE AFFECTED BY IT AS WE ARE SPILL PRIORITY #1. WERE WE TO JOIN THE SOUTHEAST CONSERVANCY DISTRICT, WE WOULD BE MOVED TO SPILL PRIORITY #4. PETERSEN MET WITH JIM BRODERICK AND ASKED ABOUT THE COST TO JOIN THE SOUTHEAST CONSERVANCY DISTRICT. THERE ARE TWO COSTS TO BE CONSIDERED: THE ASSESSMENT DUE AND THE ONGOING MILL LEVY. THE MILL LEVY INCREASE WOULD REQUIRE A GENERAL ELECTION OF THE CONSTITUENTS. HOWEVER, IF DONALA DID JOIN THE DISTRICT, AND IF THERE WAS ANOTHER SPILL FROM THE RESERVOIR, DONALA'S SPILL PRIORITY WOULD BE LOWERED FROM PRIORITY #1 TO PRIORITY #4 WHICH WOULD MEAN THAT WE PROBABLY WOULD NOT SPILL THIS YEAR. ALSO, IF WE WERE A MEMBER AND THERE WAS A SPILL, OUR WATER WOULD GO INTO AN UNALLOCATED POOL WHICH WE COULD THEN PURCHASE FOR \$9/ACRE FOOT. PETERSEN STATED THAT THERE IS A SIGNIFICANT EDUCATIONAL PROCESS BEFORE A GENERAL ELECTION TO CONSIDER THE REGIONAL MILL LEVY. SO, THE NEXT REALISTIC OPPORTUNITY FOR AN ELECTION WOULD BE MAY 1, 2018. PETERSEN WILL CONTINUE TO PURSUE THIS OPPORTUNITY. THE SOUTHEAST CONSERVANCY DISTRICT IS NOT TIED TO SDS. PETERSEN FEELS IT IS IMPORTANT TO HAVE SOMEONE ON THE SOUTHEAST CONSERVANCY DISTRICT BOARD THAT IS FAMILIAR WITH THE GAP IN WATER ON THE ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN.

PETERSEN SAID THAT THE SDS IS SET TO BEGIN AT THE END OF APRIL; THE STORM WATER ISSUE IS STILL NOT RESOLVED. HE IS WAITING FOR AN ANSWER FROM BRETT GRACELY OF CSU. EITHER WAY, DONALA HAS WATER.

PETERSEN REPORTED THAT HE AND PARKER WENT UP TO WILLOW CREEK ON JANUARY 29, 2016. PETERSEN NOTED THAT THE MOISTURE CONTENT WAS VERY LIGHT. HE AND PARKER WILL GO BACK TO RANCH AGAIN. PETERSEN NOTED A GOOD BRIEF OF 1041 PERMIT BY FENDEL'S WAS DONE AT THE WORKSHOP.

STATUS OF OPERATIONS/PROJECTS:

PETERSEN STATED ALL PLANTS ARE READY TO GO. THE STAFF WILL SUPER CHLORINATE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE START- UP.

WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT IS DOING WELL. PETERSEN NOTED THAT ONE OF TWO PRESS SCREENS IS BEING REPLACED DUE TO A LARGE HOLE IN THE SCREEN. HAVING TWO SCREENS PROVIDES BACKUP. THE MOTIVE MIX PUMP IN DIGESTER #2 IS BEING REPLACED ALSO. DUE TO THE AGE OF THE WASTE PLANT, THERE WILL BE AN EVER INCREASING INCIDENCE OF BREAKDOWNS. HOWEVER, IN THE SCREEN ROOM, IF ONE PORTION GOES DOWN, THE PLANT CAN STILL OPERATE WITH THE SECOND SCREEN. PETERSEN NOTED THAT ACCORDING TO THE LATEST TEST, ARSENIC LEVELS ARE DOWN TO LESS THAN .1 PERCENT. THERE WAS DISCUSSION AS TO THE TYPE OF BUSINESS CONDUCTED IN THE OLD NAVSYS BUILDING; THE GENERAL CONSENSUS IS THAT THIS IS PRIMARILY GENERAL OFFICE SPACE. PETERSEN NOTED 3 GOOD CLEAN SAMPLES FOR MERCURY.

DEVELOPER UPDATES:

PETERSEN SAID THAT THERE IS ONE EASEMENT LEFT TO BE RESOLVED ON LATROBE LINE. HE EXPECTS THE BID TO BE LET IN APRIL AND WORK TO BEGIN IN MAY.

THE EASEMENT WORK WITH GRATRIX IS GOING WELL IN THAT GRATRIX HAS NO PROBLEM WITH CONVEYING THE EASEMENTS THAT DONALA NEEDS TO BE ABLE TO WORK ON INFRASTRUCTURE.

SO FAR THERE IS NO FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE PROJECTS ON BARASH PROPERTY. PETERSEN WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR THIS.

DENNY ASKED FOR THE POSSIBLE SPILL DATE ON PUEBLO RESERVOIR; IT IS APRIL 15, 2016.

JUDD THEN MENTIONED THAT HE WILL MEET WITH MERV BENNETT AND ASKED IF THERE WAS ANYTHING IN PARTICULAR THAT HE SHOULD BRING UP. POSSIBLY SDS AND HOW THE RESOLUTION OF THE CONFLICT OVER SDS AFFECTS DONALA WAS DISCUSSED.

PETERSEN AND JUDD THEN MENTIONED THAT PERHAPS DONALA SHOULD HAVE A BBQ TO GET FOLKS IN COLORADO SPRINGS POLITICS TOGETHER WITH DONALA. THE TIMING OF A GRAND OPENING OF M2 MIGHT BE GOOD TIMING. PETERSEN STATED THAT DONALA COULD INVITE CONSTITUENTS AND ELECTED OFFICIALS ALIKE TO THE BBQ. POWELL ASKED ABOUT INVITING OTHER ENTITIES. THE BBQ WOULD BE HELD POSSIBLY IN LATE SPRING OR EARLY SUMMER.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

BOARD THEN ASKED IF HOULE OR KENDRICK HAD ANY PUBLIC COMMENT. NEITHER HAD ANY PUBLIC COMMENT.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS OF THE BOARD, IT WAS MOVED BY JUDD, SECOND BY POWELL, ALL "AYE" TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 2:35 PM. MOTION CARRIED.

THESE MINUTES ARE RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED FOR RECORD BY BETSY BRAY ON MARCH 18, 2016.

