

**Mesa Cortina Water & Sanitation District**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**Tuesday, September July 11, 2006**  
**Blue River Room – Silverthorne Library**

Attending Board members:

Chuck Gray	Billy Jack
Randy Rehn	Jon Whinston

Others attending:

Jeff Leigh	District Manager
Matt Willitts	Water Operator, Water Solutions
Bob Polich	District Administrator, Mountain Systems
Bud Rowley	186 Spring Beauty Drive
Tom Vandeventer	106 Spring Beauty Drive

Vice-President Randy Rehn called the meeting to order at 5:08 PM

**Minutes.** *The minutes from the August 11, 2006 meeting were approved as written. (Gray/Jack,4-0).*

**Operations.** Matt summarized a failure of the sewer pump station over a recent weekend caused by an electrical short. Bob Brockmeyer repaired the electrical problem. The system was operational, but had yet to be tested by Matt. The PRV's had been checked. The water level in the Royal Red Bird vault was about 6 inches. The new lids had helped limit water intrusion this spring. Matt had changed the primary PRV control to the Royal Red Bird PRV to allow better circulation and detention time. Well 6 had a maximum pumping rate of 9.6 gallons per minute. During long pumping periods the volume decreased. Well 4 data was not yet available to the pump house. The tank level control would be converted to a telemetry system in the future to eliminate the phone line cost. Matt discussed a letter from the Fire Department sent to all water departments regarding a 2007 ISO inspection that would require a flow test of all hydrants in the District. The estimated cost was \$50 per hydrant for a total of approximately \$1,500.

**Financial.** Bob Polich provided a financial summary through the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter with a six month estimate for a projected year end. There was a discussion of the Board compensation amount. Interest income was from T-Bill money market funds at Alpine Bank.

Jon Whinston arrived to the meeting at 5:42 PM.

**Water policies.** There was a discussion regarding the water rights of Mesa Cortina, the limited production of the existing wells, and the payback period to develop new water

sources rather than purchasing water from the Buffalo Mountain Metro District. There was a discussion regarding if the current \$36 per quarter availability fee applied to vacant properties should be increased. *A motion was made to include a review of the standby fee as part of the 2007 budget and rate determination. (Rehm/Jack,4-0).*

Matt indicated the broken hydrant that was attached to the Mesa Cortina system, but within the Buffalo Mountain Metro District needed to be repaired prior to winter. BMMD had not responded regarding a determination of the hydrant status. *The Board approved a repair of the hydrant for safety purposes with the cost deducted from a future BMMD invoice subject to a final resolution of the hydrant ownership. (Rehm/Whinston,4-0).*

**JSA.** The Joint Sewer Authority had determined that a previously approved policy of an additional EQR charge of 0.1 for bedrooms above three and/or bathrooms above three would be applied effective January 2007. The Board had been previously provided with an inventory of Mesa Cortina properties that indicated the JSA cost would increase approximately 13 EQRs based on the new schedule. Currently there were 208 completed homes with 41 vacant lots. The District had 252 EQRs allocated to them. The new policy likely would require obtaining additional EQRs to meet buildout. Mesa Cortina would prefer the allocation to be based on an excess of four bedrooms and/or four bathrooms, but it did not expect any adjustment of the JSA policy. There was a discussion regarding future rates and tap fees to adapt to the new JSA rate schedule.

**Bayshore Easement.** The final approval of the Bayshore Easement was expected in the near future. The easement would provide the District access to the feeder sewer line and preferred well sites should the District decide to eliminate the sewer line rental and water purchase from BMMD in the future. There was a discussion of the desires of Silverthorne to change the road alignment, but Summit County was not in favor of any realignment of Buffalo Mountain Drive.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 PM.