

Mesa Cortina Water & Sanitation District
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Tuesday, January 8, 2008
Blue River Room – Silverthorne Library

Attending Board members:

Randy Rehn	Billy Jack
Jon Whinston	Chuck Gray

Others attending:

Jeff Leigh	District Manager
Matt Willitts	Water Operator, Water Solutions
Bob Polich	District Administrator, Mountain Systems

President Jon Whinston called the meeting to order at 5:33 PM

Minutes. *The minutes from the December 5, 2007 meeting were approved as written. (Whinston/Rehn,3-0).*

Operations. Matt reported normal operations during the month of December. Today a broken main water line occurred on Kings Court. The excavator RKR had been mobilized, the approximate area of the leak located, the snow removed, and excavation was scheduled to begin tomorrow. Matt updated the Board on the Source Water Assessment and Protection (SWAP) status. A report release in 2004 contained invalid information for Mesa Cortina and other water providers. The Colorado Health Department cited the 2006 Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) for Mesa Cortina was in violation as it did not list the SWAP information. This was disputed with the State as the information in the SWAP plan was not valid. The State agreed to not require any action by Mesa Cortina, but also did not withdraw the violation notice. Billy Jack arrived at 5:42 PM. The grant had been obtained in Summit County to implement the next stage of the SWAP plan that was to develop an action plan. Local water providers had been contacted to participate in the development of the plan. There was a discussion of the various levels of participation from no action to being involved in the report writing. *The Board authorized participation in the SWAP action plan at the minimum level if other water entities in Summit County also decided to participate. (Whinston/Rehn,4-0).*

Timing of Reports. The Board established the following guidelines for providing meeting information reports:

Minutes:	One week after the meeting.
Financial reports:	20 th of the month – a check register should be included.
Water reports:	As information is available at month end.

User Billing Statements. Based on the inspection and locating costs provided to the Board at the last meeting, three owners were charged for additional costs above the one hour no cost locate allowed and inspections in excess of the \$350 prepayment. The Board requested the 2008 rate notice be modify to clarify the charges were quarterly. The language of the tap fee increase concerning the new rate would not be charged to owners as of 12/31/07 if the permit was issued before July 1, 2008 was modified per a discussion.

Water manager. Jeff Liegh, District Manager, requested the Board allow an increase in his hourly rate from \$50 to \$60 effective January 1, 2008. *A motion was approved to increase the compensation of the District Manager from \$50 per hour to \$60 per hour as of January 1, 2008. (Rehn/Gray,4-0).*

Water Operations Contract. Prior to the meeting Matt provided the Board with a summary of the function provided by Water Solutions as part of the based contract and a summary of activities billed hourly. The Board had not had sufficient time to review the documents provide and would deferred the topic until the next meeting.

Board of Directors Compensation. *A motion was approved to increase the compensation of each Board member to \$100 per meeting. (Whiston/Jack,4-0).* The increase would be effect per State Statures that would be confirmed with the Attorney of the District. There was a discussion if the Board compensation could automatically tie to the maximum set by State Statutes and if compensation could be based on the allowed annual maximum rather than meetings to compensate for the Board member time not directly association to public meetings.

Bashore Test Well. Jeff Leigh updated the Board on the test well work since the December meeting. The well had been capped and work stopped for the winter. Some of the excess water from the well had concerned Silverthorne, but Jeff felt the issues had been resolved. Two water quality test had been performed soon after water was discovered. The test result of particulates was over double the maximum level allowed. The engineers believed the water could be treated and had the potential to improve as the water was utilized. The well log testing information had not yet been provided by the engineer. The well had been drilled to a depth of 398 feet. At the well bottom 10 feet of steel casing was installed to support the well casing and to provide an area for sedimentation to accumulate. Installed on top of the steel casing was 100 feet of stainless steal casing in the area the water was to be drain from. The well was completed with 280 feet of steel casing. Grout baskets were installed and the well was grouted. The estimated flow of the well was 120 to 180 gallons per minute. The driller used “air pumping” from his drilling rig to facilitate the grouting. There were current discussions by the water attorney and water engineer regarding the legal classification of the water as tributary or non-tributary. Non-tributary would allow the immediate use of the water while tributary water would result in an estimate one year of letgla process. The question would be a change in the distribution point for water in District. A work session with the engineers regarding potential water treatment options and costs would be scheduled and interested Board members would attend if possible. The Board requested Jeff obtain the well log reports. It was also indicated the inspection reports for Water Tank work should be obtained for comparison during the tank inspection.

Fire Hydrant. There was not new information on the out-of-District hydrant. The Cortina Ridge homeowner had not yet written the letter regarding the hydrant.

Other. Jeff requested Bob Polich provide the Board with an update of potential grants and funding for the cost of incorporating the new water source into the District. The access means for the Water & Sanitation web site had been provided to Mountain Systems, but no changes to the web site have yet been made.

Next Meeting. The next meeting will be set pending requirements for the special district election and Board member schedules.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.