

**Mesa Cortina Water & Sanitation District**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**Tuesday, May 18, 2010**  
**Silverthorne Fire Station**

Attending Board members:

Jon Whinston	Barry Westerland
Billy Jack	Randy Rehn
Chuck Gray	

Others attending:

Bob Polich	District Administrator, Mountain Systems
Jeff Leigh	District Manager
Susan Alderman	202 Shooting Star
Don Sather	Big Horn Center

Vice President Randy Rehn called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM

**Minutes.** *The minutes from the April 6, 2010 meeting were approved as written. (Gray/Westerland,4-0).*

Jon Whinston arrived at 5:04.

**Big Box Impacts Presentation.** Don Sather made a presentation of a group of interested owners concerned with the impact of the proposed Home Depot and Lowes in the Town of Silverthorne. The group had obtained 100 signatures on petitions. The group supported two candidates that were elected in April to the Silverthorne Town Council. The current focus is to suggest a moratorium on development in the area due to an ongoing Colorado Department of Transportation study of the Highway 9 and I-70 intersection expected to take the next 18 months, and the I-70 coalition study. The group feels State statutes require a request of input from special districts surrounding the property area regarding the impact of the development. A list of 16 impact items and the applicable land use statutes were provided. It was confirmed there had been no discussions by the Town with Mesa Cortina regarding any impact.. A picture reflecting the steeper grade of Wildercrest road compared to I-70 was shown. The group holds weekly meetings on Monday mornings at 9:30 AM at the Alpine Gardens Center. There was a general discussion by the Board and questions on the status of the project and the planning of the group.

**Joint Sewer Authority (JSA) Agreement.** The JSA agreement has been amended multiple times since its formation. The latest revision includes three major impacts. The largest change is the definition of the capital cost for inflow and infiltration (I&I). The current standard allowance of 330 gallons would be increased to 580 gallons per day. Another change was to allow the paper expansion of the plant in 2012. The paper expansion would result in the purchase of taps by the Town of Silverthorne that was expected to realize approximately \$63,000 for Mesa Cortina. The District could obtain additional taps during the paper expansion for a projected cost of \$1,700 to \$2,000. *A motion was approved by the Board to accept the proposed amendment. (Rehn/Whinston,5-0).*

**Officers.** *The officers for the District were approved by motion. (Whinston/Gray,5-0).*

President	Randy Rehn	Vice-president	Chuck Gray
Treasurer	Billy Jack	Secretary	Barry Westerland.

**Financial.** An updated financial summary for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2010 was provided to the Board via email. The District had operating expenses \$27,000 greater than budgeted due to an unusual number of water line breaks. Lower capital expenditures of \$23,000 offset the additional expenditures. Recent information was indicated all of the water lines were constructed in cast iron rather than ductile iron. There was a discussion regarding future water line replacement options. Expenditures to date in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter were better than budgeted.

**Inflow & Infiltration (I&I).** The JSA had put out a request for proposals for sewer line lining project. There was an opportunity for the District to participate in the project to have some old line lined at a reduced cost. The projected cost was \$20 per foot for a 6” line. Some lining had been done by the County prior to the formation of the District. There were approximately 4,100 feet of unlined clay pipes in the District with 2,000 feet of the lines in wetlands. There was a review of maps of the sewer lines and manholes. There was a discussion of the target areas to obtain the best value for any work done. Pending the results of the bidding, there was a consensus to utilize reserve funds to eliminate sewer problems this year if favorable pricing was obtained. The lining work was anticipated to be done in August.

Sewer line service taps had been previously classified using a 1-5 scale with 5 the worst case problem. There was a discussion of the equability of requiring owners with a category 5 classification to fix their sewer service line compared to those with a category 1 that may leak more in the future.

There was a discussion of the recent sewer line blockage caused by the foam used by a contractor working on a seal of a manhole contributing to the I&I problem. The blockage caused a sewer backup in the lower level of one home.

**Water Tank.** Draining of the water tank by stopping water pumping was scheduled for later this week with the goal of emptying the tank by the 1<sup>st</sup> of June. The work is scheduled to begin June 2<sup>nd</sup> pending favorable weather. The inspection of the repair work by the engineer approved by the Board at the last meeting would be confirmed prior to the start of work. The Board directed to have the inspections coordinated to obtain the best repair job possible. There was the potential for some additional costs if weather requires generators and fans to maintain acceptable conditions. The anode rods would be adjusted after the completion of the project to obtain the optimal correction.

**Water Tank land swap.** The concept of a land swap with the Forest Service for the water tank area remains. There is no information at this time of the potential cost. The rental costs increase each year and are over \$2,500.

**Other.** An expanded easement in the vault area for future water supply improvements is a possibility, but may be difficult with the property owner. The driveway asphalt repair from the Lakeview water line break remains to be done. Bids are being obtained, but it may be a project best done internally. There were no sewer taps available for sale at this time from other members of the JSA. A comparison of various water meter reading technologies and costs will be done in the future. There had been no recent activity on the Middle Park water transfer to Dillon Water. Summer maintenance to be done included fire hydrant flows; testing of water valves, using foam on manholes and valves to allow easier access in the winter. The Bashore feasibility study will be reconsidered when the final draft is received. .

**Next Meeting.** The regular meeting on Tuesday, June 1, 2010 was cancelled. The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, July 6, 2010. The meeting will be in the Silverthorne Fire Station.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 PM