

Attendance:

Jeff Zimmerman Phil Machonis
Dave Hornberger Bob Youndt

Dale Kopp, Engineer

Patrick Barrett, Township Manager

Call to Order

The March 1, 2010, meeting of the West Earl Water Authority was called to order by Chairman Zimmerman at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Member Hornberger, second by Member Youndt to accept the February 1, 2010, minutes as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

Public Comment

Deborah and Bradley Rinehart from Pro Electric spoke to the Authority about not having stamped submittals for the Oregon Pike PS project. Mr. Kopp said they should have gotten those from the general contractor. He also said that there should be better communication between the general contractor and Pro Electric. Ms. Rinehart said she also unaware that the Authority extended the project completion date to March 15th.

Ms. Rinehart said they missed a submittal date for bills because of the snowstorm. She was requesting that they receive payment tonight in the amount of \$2,315.53. Mr. Kopp said he could not approve that payment. The Authority said they could authorize payment without endorsement from the engineer. However, if everything was in order payment could be made to Pro Electric at the meeting in April.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Kopp said he needs some information from Bucky and Jim to complete the water allocation permit paperwork. He also said that the Oregon Pike PS was down on February 23rd, and the start-up date is tomorrow, March 2nd.

The Authority reviewed the water usage by commercial properties for 2009. By consensus, the Authority directed that the Crossroads Surgery Center be billed for nine additional edu's. The engineer will examine water usage by DS Waters and report back to the Authority next month.

The Authority also directed the bookkeeper to pay the West Earl Fire Police \$100.00 for doing traffic control at the last water main break.

Manager's Report

The manager again discussed with the Authority the idea of having the Authority's responsibility extend to the entire water system including operations. Mr. Barrett felt there are advantages to having only one group of individuals making decisions about the water system rather than the fragmented system that is in place right now. The Authority said they would bring it up at next meeting. The Authority also asked Mr. Barrett for financial statements on the water fund. Mr. Barrett said he would

provide the financial information to the Authority at the next meeting.

Mr. Barrett also asked the Authority to reconsider the water meter replacement project. He felt it's a very worthwhile project that falls within the Authority's purview. He also asked if staff could invite the meter salesman to the next Authority meeting to discuss the project. The Authority felt that Bob Youndt and Phil Machonis could be on a committee which would advise the Authority on the meter replacement project. Staff will also ask the meter salesman to attend the next Authority meeting with updated information, especially a cost/benefit analysis.

New Business

Moved by Member Youndt, second by Member Hornberger to recommend Billy Ditzler of Talmage to the Board of Supervisors as the next Authority member. Motion approved unanimously.

Payment of Bills

Moved by Member Youndt, second by Member Machonis to pay the bills. Motion approved unanimously.

Adjournment

Moved by Member Youndt, second by Member Machonis to adjourn the March 1, 2010, Regular Meeting of the West Earl Water Authority at 8:29 p.m. Motion approved unanimously.