

1 **MINUTES OF THE SPRINGVILLE CITY WATER BOARD**

2
3 Tuesday, August 8, 2006
4 6:30 a.m.
5 Council Room
6 50 South Main
7 Springville, Utah 84663
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10 **ATTENDANCE**

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12 Councilmember Secretary
13 J. Niel Strong Marcie Clark
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15 Board Members City Staff
16 Alton Beck Brad Stapley
17 Lynn Panter Russell Vest
18 Gordon Wilson
19 Nile Hatch
20 Steve Oakey - excused 7:10 am
21 Calvin Crandall – excused
22 Rick Child
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- 24 1. **Welcome**
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26 2. **Review of Minutes** – the minutes from June 20, 2006 were reviewed. Mr. Beck made a motion to approve.
27 Mr. Wilson seconded the motion, all were in favor.
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29 3. **Reports from staff** – Russell Vest reported that there haven’t been complaints this summer as long we keep
30 the 9th s well going. Evergreen well is going now, which helps a more constant pressure for the people
31 south of the cemetery. Mr. Wilson reported he has had more consistent pressure this year than in the past.
32 Cl. Strong has seen more complaints from Sunrise Ridge residents than from other areas. Mr. Beck asked
33 about 10th s well – did we get the overflow valve fixed? Mr. Vest reported yes. The culvert by the high
34 school is plugged and spring water is flowing all over. Mr. Vest said the irrigation company knows about
35 it.
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37 Mr. Wilson asked about the Canyon Rd Well house – the issue of a building plan. Layne Long is looking
38 at that with HAL and council. Cl. Strong reported that the initial plan was to put a satellite fire station there
39 with the well house, but now the city has purchased land at 400 S Canyon Rd and the fire station may be
40 there. One council member doesn’t really want the fire station by his house. Mr. Wilson mentioned the
41 storm drain still hasn’t been cleared up. Cl. Strong asked Mr. Stapley to take care of the landscaping issue
42 on the triangle of 1700 E Canyon Rd.
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44 Mr. Beck brought up a flooding issue that needs to be addressed by the city near his house at 1061 S 700 E.
45 There is a french drain that fills up quickly; lot of debris so the water can’t percolate down through that.
46 Can the city pull up the grates and suck out the drains? Mr. Stapley reported we can, but we don’t have a
47 storm drain staff and our water and streets staff are low in man power.
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49 Steve Oakey asked why we don’t have storm drain staff when storm drains have been around for 100 years.
50 Mr. Stapley said our city has grown and our staff hasn’t. Mr. Stapley agreed we do need to address the
51 issues, but we have to deal with staffing issues at the same time. Cl. Strong said we have got to get the
52 storm water impact fees in place to help get this going, but our master plan isn’t completed yet.
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54 Mr. Stapley reviewed his report. HAL is still waiting for information from the Irrigation Company on the
55 Storm Water MP. The plan is basically finished, but they want to put the irrigation flows in the ditches in

1 their plan, and they don't have that info yet. The city is going to meet with the engineer and irrigation co.
2 and go through the info – the ditches are not going to carry the storm flows. We will need to figure out
3 where to put the drains to carry the storm flows. This is a big issue – it will probably be a 10-15 year event
4 to get the storm drains up to code (where they should be). We're talking millions and millions of dollars.
5 Mr. Stapley expects to meet early next week on this. The outlook isn't good. Mr. Beck asked if storm
6 drains could be installed when water lines are. Mr. Stapley explained it is possible, but storm drains have
7 to be gravity lines and water lines don't, so we're dealing with different grades. Cl. Strong asked how the
8 10-15 year plan coordinates with the government mandated plan. Mr. Stapley said we have to have our
9 plan in place by next year and we have milestones that need to be reached...it will be a challenge. We only
10 have two employees doing sewer in the city, and no storm drain staff.

11 Cl. Strong agrees with Mr. Wilson - it is high priority to get the storm water utility going. The PR work in
12 the past hasn't been effective and the citizens historically been uptight about bonding. We can't charge
13 impact fees without an approved plan. What prevents the city to go ahead and implement the fees? Mr.
14 Beck made a motion that city council implement the storm water utility fund. Mr. Wilson seconded. All in
15 favor. Cl. Strong recommended \$4 per household. That would be around \$320,000 a year, which should
16 fund enough staff to start. We already have the equipment.

17 Last week in the storm, we dispatched our crews to known problem areas and we were able to respond. All
18 our lift stations were knocked off line, but our staff responded immediately.

19 Mr. Stapley reviewed the spring flows. Bartholomew has dropped off significantly while Spring Creek is
20 climbing.

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25 4. Mr. Stapley distributed a copy of the Capital improvement plan. Table 1, page 2 – the right column shows
26 the budget year. 2006 should be FY '06-'07. We've outlined the projects, and should know how much
27 will need to be bonded for and take to council soon. One council member wants to bond in piece meal, but
28 Cl. Strong would like to get it done and do it all. City council is ready to bond. The future growth should
29 come from bonding and impact fees. Existing deficiencies should be funded from current fees. Cl. Strong
30 doesn't foresee us having to raise rates. Mr. Hatch asked if anyone has looked into the worse case scenario
31 if we didn't do anything and what the impact would be in 5 years – as far as state fines, etc. Residents
32 usually don't understand everything and just want us to run on a maintenance level.

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34 Cl. Strong wanted to follow up on a recommendation brought up a few months ago concerning the planting
35 strips – it probably won't change. Council is still looking into it.

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37 There has been some arguing over who owns Dry Creek between irrigation company and the state. Any
38 natural open water way should be left open for beautification rather than be piped and covered. Mr. Hatch
39 raised the wetlands issue.

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41 *Adjourn* – This meeting adjourned at 7:40 a.m.