MINUTES OF THE SPRINGVILLE CITY WATER BOARD

Tuesday, April 10, 2012
6:30 a.m.
110 S Main Street
Springville, Utah 84663

ATTENDANCE

Councilmember
Richard Child

Secretary
Marcie Clark

Board Members
Alton Beck
Lynn Panter - excused
Nile Hatch
Calvin Crandall
Rollin Hotchkiss

City Staff
Brad Stapley – Public Works Director
Shawn Barker – Water Superintendent

Guests: Richard Parmenter, Holiday Hills resident

Review of Minutes – the March 13th meeting minutes were reviewed. Mr. Beck made a motion to approve the minutes, Mr. Crandall seconded. All members approved.

Mr. Stapley displayed on the TV the Power point Presentation on Outside City Connections that was presented to City Council and distributed a copy to each person. He reviewed the information, which covers chlorination and PRV stations. The Outside City Connections Policy was adopted in 1991. Mr. Stapley mentioned that the PRV Stations were not discussed at the Canyon Water Users Subcommittee meetings a few months ago because it was not an issue at that time. Mr. Stapley reviewed the recommendation of the subcommittee. The Outside City Connections Policy does not equal the City's actions. The Penstock was installed four years before the policy was set for Outside City Connections. The construction plans for the new penstock included the PRV Stations. Mr. Stapley reviewed the inconsistencies to be resolved; changing the policy to have the City maintain the piping, fittings and pressure reducing equipment and the City paying for chlorination. The new policy would also add clear boundaries on how it is done, and shift the responsibilities of maintain the PRV Stations to the City. The costs to bring the current PRV Stations up to City Standards were reviewed. The total cost would be around $409,733.05. Mr. Stapley reviewed the Pros and Cons of why the City should maintain the PRV stations. The City Council wanted to send this back to the Water Board to decide who should pay for this. Cl. Child stated he thinks the canyon users should still have to pay more because they live up the canyon. Mr. Hotchkiss explained how the water fund works and the fact that city taxes do not have anything to do with the water system. The water rates alone cover the system. Mr. Hotchkiss asked if there might be any more issues come up. Mr. Stapley does not anticipate any other issues. Mr. Barker said the Penstock may be an issue in the future. Mr. Stapley reviewed some research done on the current penstock, as far as pipe material and how much pressure they can handle. He feels comfortable with it. Mr. Beck didn't think that would be an issue for the Water Board. Mr. Stapley stated the real issue is whether or not the canyon water users are part of the water system. Mr. Beck would like to see a record that the Canyon Users have seen the policy and know about it. Mr. Stapley figured some amounts for the canyon users to pay for this vs. the entire population of the City - $26/month per household for 20 years on top of their current rate vs. $0.24/month more for 20 years. If you figure it based on the canyon users paying a portion of it, such as $10.00 a month, which would be 38% of the cost of the PRV stations over 20 years. That's based on a 4% interest rate on a loan and 1% interest rate loss to the City. Mr. Hotchkiss mentioned there seems to be an apparent adversarial relationship between city residents and those that live up Left Fork of Hobble Creek Canyon. Mr. Beck stated there are many citizens that don't like people living up in the Left Fork.

Mr. Hatch mentioned the amount of money to pay for these PRV Stations is not a matter of principle. This has to do with the maintenance of the system. Mr. Stapley said the City does not plan on fixing the PRV stations all at once. It could take many years to take care of all of them.

Mr. Stapley told the board members that they have already sent the Outside City Connections Policy to the City Council. But now they need to make a recommendation on how to pay for the PRV stations. This needs to be done by the 2nd Tuesday in May. So we still have another water board meeting to talk about it.

Mr. Beck made the motion to have City pay for the complete costs of all change and infrastructure up the Canyon. Mr. Crandall seconded. Mr. Hatch, Mr. Hotchkiss, and Mr. Beck were in favor. Mr. Crandall was opposed. Mr. Crandall would like to see a hybrid; maybe have the Canyon Users pay a higher percentage.

Mr. Hatch asked what happened a few years ago with the Grindstone Subdivision in the Canyon. Mr. Stapley explained that the City replaced their whole water system and the Grindstone residents paid a portion of it.

Mr. Crandall moved to adjourn. Mr. Hatch seconded. All were in favor.

Adjourn – This meeting adjourned at 7:35 a.m.

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Approved