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MINUTES OF THE SPRINGVILLE CITY WATER BOARD

Tuesday, November 13, 2012

6:30 a.m.

110 South Main Street
Springville, Utah 84663

ATTENDANCE

Councilmember
Richard Child

Secretary
Marcie Clark

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

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

Guests
Bill Thomas, Harold Reeb, Jeff Wright

The minutes from October 9, 2012 were reviewed. Mr. Panter motioned to approve them. Mr. Beck seconded the motion. Nile Hatch abstained, since he was not present at the meeting. All other members approved.

Mr. Hatch met with Mr. Stapley last week on the spreadsheet he created for costs of providing water to Canyon Water Users. Mr. Hatch thinks Mr. Stapley's assumptions on the spreadsheet seem reasonable.

Mr. Hotchkiss asked whether or not our rates really cover replacement costs. Mr. Hatch explained that when he started on the Water Board, many of the rates did not include replacement costs. But that has changed since Mr. Stapley has been working for the City.

Mr. Hotchkiss reviewed the assumptions that Mr. Stapley made in his calculations. Mr. Hotchkiss stated that Mr. Stapley did the most conscientious job he could to reduce the shock. Some members don't agree with giving a credit for the historic double billing of water rates. Mr. Hotchkiss explained that the new information that came up since the time the Water Board recommended keeping the water rates the same caused the City Council to hold off and ask for more information.

Mr. Hatch recommended the City eat the historical costs and make it right today, and come up with a fair maintenance fee for the PRV Stations. That fee would be in addition to the base fee for water.

Mr. Wright stated that Hobbble Creek Haven maintains their own PRV, which is different than the PRV stations along Canyon Rd. He feels like this proposal will penalize Hobbble Creek Haven residents.

Mr. Crandall asked if there is a PRV station for Hobbble Creek Haven that the City has been maintaining, or is it a private PRV Station. We need to clarify this with Mr. Stapley. Mr. Reeb asked about what the original agreement was between the City and Canyon Users as far as PRV Stations go. Cl. Child said the ordinance states the residents are to maintain the PRV.

Ms. Clark displayed the spreadsheet on the screen that Mr. Stapley created and Mr. Hatch assisted in making a few changes to the formulas to see how the bottom line would change.

Mr. Hotchkiss wants to meet with Brad personally and make sure he understands the numbers. The Water Board recommended that the costs of the chlorination station be spread out among all the residents of Springville. It appears that what is in the spreadsheet is a reversal of that recommendation. Mr. Hotchkiss wants to consider taking

December 11, 2012

Approved

1 the costs of the chlorination station out of the equation. Mr. Beck questioned whether or not Holiday Hills and
2 Hobble Creek Haven should be treated differently from the other Canyon Users.

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4 Mr. Wright argued his point on past costs for safe, potable water that the City agreed to provide when they took water
5 rights from the property owners. The chlorination station that the State required is part of providing safe, potable
6 water.

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8 Mr. Beck asked what responsibility the County has to the residents up the Canyon. Mr. Wright stated the County
9 basically has no responsibility regarding the water.

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11 Mr. Hatch explained how the ordinance and practice of maintaining PRV stations is contradictory. The problem has
12 been 25 years of no maintenance on those PRV stations. We need to get it right and the practice needs to match the
13 ordinance and it needs to be fair. A monthly bill makes it so we never forget about this again.

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15 Mr. Beck asked if a new policy has been taken to city council. He is under the assumption that Mr. Stapley worked
16 up a new policy.

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18 The city council is waiting for a recommendation from the Water Board. Mr. Hatch explained that homeowners may
19 feel a sense of betrayal when they find out they are responsible for PRV stations when there was no communication
20 on it when they bought their house. He would like to see a policy that sets that right.

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22 Mr. Hotchkiss will meet with Mr. Stapley and communicate if there needs to be a meeting in December. The Water
23 Board does not typically meet in December. Mr. Hotchkiss thanked everyone for their discussion.

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25 Mr. Crandall made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Hatch seconded. All were in favor.

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27 *Adjourn* – This meeting adjourned at 7:27 a.m.
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