

WEST DAKOTA WATER DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
Corrected Meeting Minutes – May 16, 2012

Members Present: Sandra Beshara, Lloyd Booher, George Ferebee, Kenneth E. Jasper, Lavern Koch, Dwight W. Peterson and J. Foster Sawyer

Members Absent: Gale Holbrook and Orland Paulsen

Guests Present: Dr. Alvis Lisenbee, South Dakota School of Mines and Technology; Justin W. Krajewski, RESPEC Consulting & Services; Joanne Noyes, South Dakota Geological Survey; Carol Ferebee, Bruce Meister and Larry Baker, private citizens

Staff Present: Blaise Emerson, Ali DeMersseman and Lola Lincoln

Vice-Chair Beshara called the meeting of the West Dakota Water Development District Board to order at 2:00 P.M. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was declared present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Vice-Chair Beshara called for changes or additions to the Agenda.

DIRECTOR JASPER MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRINTED; DIRECTOR BOOHER SECONDED, AND THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Vice-Chair Beshara called for approval of the Board's March 21, 2012 Meeting Minutes.

DIRECTOR PETERSON MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD'S MARCH 21, 2012 MEETING AS PRESENTED; DIRECTOR BOOHER SECONDED, AND THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

REPORTS

Crystalline Aquifers of the Central Black Hills – Dr. Lisenbee gave a brief overview of progress being made on this study, which is a pilot study within an area extending from Keystone to Hill City looking at the quality and quantity of groundwater. He advised they were in the process of determining what public record information is currently available through state and federal agencies for inclusion in a database being prepared by SDSM&T graduate students.

In stressing the importance of including all available data (from other studies) relative to the number of wells in the study versus the amount of information available on them, Director Jasper said, *"If we know how many wells there are and what percentage we have information from, that, I think, is significant."*

Spring Creek Watershed Update – Mr. Justin Krajewski, who is the Project Coordinator for the Spring Creek Watershed Management and Implementation Project, presented Board Members with a handout of the draft presentation and water quality monitoring results presented to the Spring Creek Watershed Advisory Group in January, along with a separate sheet of 2011 monitoring sets. He reviewed in detail the quality concerns and water quality monitoring results on the charts presented

and advised he hoped to have the report in final form and to the Pennington County Commission by the end of the month.

During discussions about sampling, Vice-Chair Beshara expressed concern over the lack of year-round sampling, and Director Jasper thought it was important to determine the cost of doing more sampling, how much sampling already exists that could be utilized, and what it would cost to gather existing information.

Once the report is finalized and presented to Pennington County, Mr. Krajewski will make a presentation to West Dakota's Board.

OLD BUSINESS

Water Quality Sampling Program –

DIRECTOR BOOHER MOVED TO CONTINUE THE DISCUSSION ON WATER QUALITY SAMPLING UNTIL THE BOARD'S JULY MEETING, AND DIRECTOR JASPER SECONDED THE MOTION.

DIRECTOR JASPER THEN MADE A SUBSTITUTE MOTION TO INCLUDE HAVING MR. EMERSON LOOK FURTHER INTO WHAT EXACTLY HE WOULD SUGGEST AS WEST DAKOTA'S SAMPLING PROCEDURE AND TO PROVIDE THAT INFORMATION TO BOARD MEMBERS INDIVIDUALLY PRIOR TO THE JULY MEETING; DIRECTOR KOCH SECONDED, AND THE SUBSTITUTE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

2012 Western South Dakota Hydrology Conference Update – No report given.

NEW BUSINESS

Redistricting – Mr. Emerson provided Board Members with a listing of those individuals who had filed petitions to fill vacancies based on the new districts. As a result of redistricting, Director Areas Five, Six and Nine will have vacancies as of January 1, 2013. At that time, the vacancies will be advertised and petitions can be filed to fill those vacancies.

ITEMS FROM DIRECTORS

FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES AT THE BOARD'S JULY MEETING, DIRECTOR FEREBEE MOVED THAT ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGER EMERSON BE DIRECTED TO LOOK INTO WHAT IT WOULD ENTAIL FOR WEST DAKOTA WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD TO TAKE ON THE SUPERVISION OF THE 319 PROJECT ON SPRING CREEK; DIRECTOR JASPER SECONDED, AND THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

ITEMS FROM PUBLIC

None

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Payment of Bills and Transfer of Funds -

DIRECTOR PETERSON MOVED TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2012 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,031.66 AND AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS NECESSARY FOR PAYMENT; DIRECTOR SAWYER SECONDED, AND THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

West Dakota's 2011 Audit Report

Board Members were given a copy of West Dakota's 2011 Audit, which will be on the July 18th Meeting Agenda for action.

ADJOURNMENT

AT 4:15 P.M., DIRECTOR BOOHER MOVED TO ADJOURN; DIRECTOR KOCH SECONDED, AND THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,



J. Foster Sawyer
Secretary