

WEST DAKOTA WATER DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Minutes for November 21, 2012

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

Members Absent: Gale Holbrook and J. Foster Sawyer

Guests Present: John Wagner, City of Rapid City; Lyndell Peterson and Ken Davis, Pennington County Commission; Joanne Noyes, South Dakota Geological Survey; Alvis Lisenbee, Arden Davis, Katie Aurand and Michael Tekle, South Dakota School of Mines and Technology; Dan Driscoll, U.S. Geological Survey; and Dan Richer, private citizen

Staff Present: Blaise Emerson, Ali DeMersseman and Lola Lincoln

Chairman Paulsen 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

Director Peterson moved to approve the agenda as presented; Director Booher seconded.

Director Ferebee asked to add an Executive Session after the New Business Item of Memorandum of Understanding with the Black Hills Council of Local Governments.

Director Peterson moved to approve the agenda as amended; Director Jasper seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Director Peterson moved to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2012 Board Meeting as corrected; Director Ferebee seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Director Peterson moved to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2012 Board Meeting as corrected; Director Jasper seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Director Peterson moved to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2012 Board Meeting as corrected. Director Ferebee asked that the minutes also reflect improper voting by Director Sawyer relative to approval of West Dakota's 2013 Budget and bills paid at that meeting because of a conflict of interest. Director Booher seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Director Jasper moved to approve the minutes for the October 17, 2012 Board Meeting eliminating all items other than roll call and identifying a quorum was not present; Director Ferebee seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS

Water Loss and Nitrate Levels – John Wagner, City of Rapid City reported on these two topics.

Update on Crystalline Aquifers of the Central Black Hills and Proposal for Phase II – Katie Armand, South Dakota School of Mines and Technology updated Board Members on this project, and Dr. Alvis Lisenbee outlined Phase II.

Director Peterson moved for approval of the Proposal for Phase II in the amount of \$33,020; Director Koch seconded.

Director Jasper made a substitute motion to take action at the Board's December 19th Meeting; Member Ferebee seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS (Out of Sequence)

Transferring Project Funds –

Director Jasper moved to approve a transfer of \$3,928.06 from Atlas Project Agreement No. SDSM&T-WDWDD 10-04 to Atlas Project Agreement No. SDSM&T-WDWDD 10-14; Director Booher seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS (Continued)

Expansion of the West Dakota Water Development District – Mr. Emerson briefed Directors on a presentation plan included in their meeting packets.

Pennington County Relative to 319 Project Boundaries –

Director Beshara moved that this item be continued to the Board's January 2013 Meeting; Director Jasper seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Proposal Outlining Logistics of Forming Volunteer Group for Water Quality Sampling Program-

Director Beshara made a motion to move forward with this endeavor by working with Jay Gilbertson from East Dakota Water Development District in the development of a proposal for a cost-share agreement to provide training, oversight and testing for a volunteer monitoring program based on their Dakota Watch Program; Director Jasper seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Expansion of the West Dakota Water Development District (Revisited) –

Director Beshara made a motion to move forward with expansion efforts and to send a representative to the next meeting of the Black Hills County Commissioners; Director Koch seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Pennington County Commission Meeting Report – Director Ferebee reported on this topic.

Black Hills Area RC&D Meeting Report – Director Koch reported on this topic.

OLD BUSINESS (Continued)

Funding of Nonprofit Organizations – Chairman Paulsen called attention to the letter from Wilson, Olson & Nash regarding this item.

NEW BUSINESS

2013 Castle Creek and Rhoads Fork Streamflow Gages Joint Funding Agreement –

Director Peterson moved to authorize Chairman Paulsen to sign Joint Funding Agreement No. 13EMSD0021 with the U.S. Geological Survey in the amount of \$15,040 for operation of the Castle Creek and Rhoads Fork Streamflow Gages for the period October 1, 2012 to September 30, 2013; Director Jasper seconded, and the motion passed with Director Ferebee opposing.

Watkins' On-site Wastewater Grant –

Director Jasper moved to approve payment contingent upon receipt of written authorization by the contractor (Wellman Construction) to make the payment to J & D Precast, Inc. (supplier); Director Peterson seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Appointment of Liaison(s) to Pennington County Board of Commissioners, Spring Creek Advisory Board and Black Hills Area RC&D – This item was continued to the Board's January meeting.

Memorandum of Understanding with the Black Hills Council of Local Governments – Mr. Emerson advised that the Black Hills Council of Local Governments' Board had decided not to renew their administrative Memorandum of Understanding with the West Dakota Water Development District.

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC (Out of Sequence)

Dan Driscoll with the U.S. Geological Survey will make a report to the Board on the gauging station program at the December meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Director Ferebee made a motion that Mr. Emerson prepare a detailed document titled Duties and Responsibilities for Administrative Manager of the West Dakota Water Development District for presentation at the Board's December Meeting; Director Jasper seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEMS FROM DIRECTORS

None

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

South Dakota Association of Rural Water Systems Membership – Mr. Emerson called attention to the inclusion of this item on the bills list.

Payment of Bills and Transfer of Funds

South Dakota Association of Rural Water Systems	\$ 450.00
J & D Precast, Inc.	2,655.53
Sandra Beshara	200.00
Lloyd M. Booher	208.00
George Ferebee	266.60
Gale Holbrook	100.00
Kenneth E. Jasper	201.48

Lavern E. Koch	124.05
Orland Paulsen	108.14
Dwight Peterson	100.00
J. Foster Sawyer	111.99
Southern Hills Publishing, Inc.	133.88
Rapid City Journal	264.48
Bernard Marketing & Advertising	81.07

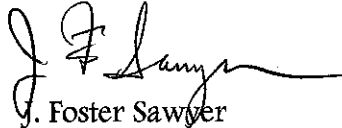
Director Booher moved to approve payment of bills for the Month of November 2012 in the amount of \$5,005.22 and authorize the transfer of funds necessary for payment; Director Koch seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Next Meeting Date – December 19, 2012

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:45 P.M., Director Booher moved to adjourn; Director Beshara seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,


J. Foster Sawyer
Secretary