

Executive Committee Minutes March 10, 2020

The meeting was called to order by President Fritzler at approximately 9:00 a.m. at the District office. The following Executive Committee Directors were present: President Ken Fritzler, Vice President Gene Manuello, Treasurer Allen Coyne, Director Brian Kembel and Director Joe Patterson. Directors Bryan Ruf and Brad Stromberger as well as staff members Manager Joe Frank, Deanna Eskew and guest Sean Cronin from the St. Vrain & Left Hand Water Conservancy District were also in attendance.

Board Minutes:

Director Kembel made the motion to approve the February 11, 2020 Board Minutes as submitted. Director Patterson seconded. Motion Carried. Director Coyne abstained as he was unable to attend last month's board meeting.

Financial Report:

Treasurer Coyne presented the financial report for the month of February. Treasurer Coyne made the motion to approve payment of District checks 15444 – 115472 and Julesburg Recharge check 1075. Also included in the motion was JRP check 1076 for \$80.50 to Lawrence Jones Custer & Grasmick which will be included in the March financial report. Director Manuello seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

River Monitoring:

Division I Water Court Resume':

The District did not receive an attorney's report for last month. However, no statements of opposition will be filed from the January Water Court Resume'.

Julesburg Recharge Project:

- Manager Frank noted that the billing for last year's pumping season will be mailed this week. Revenues from SPWRAP were down this year. Administrative fees will remain at \$350.00 per well.

Heyborne Recharge Project:

- Diligence is due April 30, 2020 for the Heyborne Project.
- Manager Frank reported that because of possible icing issues, there was a piping failure near the pump. Blochowitz Ditching has since fixed the pipe.

Legal Report:

Manager Frank noted that the legal report will be discussed during the executive session to review the District's water court case with Attorney Woldridge.

President's Report:

None

Manager's Report:

Included in Manager Frank's report were the following:

- Manager Frank reminded the board that WRASP (Water Related Activities of the South Platte) conference calls are held every Friday at 3:00 p.m. at the District office. All are welcome to attend. One potential bill WRASP is reviewing is a Mutual Ditch turnback bill. Manager Frank distributed the most recent version of the proposed bill and its proposed changes. In addition, Manager Frank thought that SB-155 – Presumption of Non-injury – will not lose exempt status would pass this year.
- Manager Frank will be meeting with the Republican River Watershed Association hosted by the Washington Cty Conservation District on March 26th at the Washington Cty Courthouse in Akron. Both he and Jim Yahn will speak on the proposed water supply project with LSPWCD and Parker WSD which involves a new reservoir (Freemont Butte) near Akron.
- District 64 Reservoir Company and SPWRAP seem to be close to finalizing agreements with the Julesburg Irrigation District regarding the Peterson Diversion structure.
- Manager Frank noted that extra work may be needed to reinforce well #4 at the Tamarack site.
- The next meeting of the South Platte Basin Roundtable will be held later today.
- Manager Frank said that another item for discussion in executive session will be the interaction with SPWRAP on the District's water court case.
- The next meeting of SPROWG (South Platte Regional Opportunities Water Group) will be held on March 18th.
- Manager Frank noted that the WaterSMART grant work plan included outreach and interaction between the larger SPROWG participant group and Water District 1 and 64 water users (via the NECWC and LSPWCD). In addition, the work plan included additional technical analysis on such items as water availability, infrastructure and accounting. The WaterSMART grant could provide initial funding to help SPROWG advance its 'next steps' along with funding to look into similarities and differences between SPROWG and the LSPWCD-Parker WSD project.
- Manager Frank discussed the need for an additional staff position at the District with the directors. The directors authorized Manager Frank to develop a job description and advertise for the full-time position on the District's web site for the next two weeks.

Public Comment:

Sean Cronin, Manager of the St. Vrain and Left Hand Water Conservancy District stated that he has been visiting water conservancy districts to observe and gain insight on operations of various districts. Mr. Cronin spoke on water issues affecting his district.

Executive Session:

Allen Coyne made the motion that the board recess into executive session for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and/or instructing negotiators, under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402 (4)e regarding legal matters as well as discussion of a personnel matter under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(2)(f) and not involving; any specific employees who have requested discussion of the matter in open session; any member of this body or any elected official; the appointment of any person to fill an office of this body or of an elected official; or personnel policies that do not require the discussion of matters personal to particular employees. The motion was seconded by Joe Patterson which passed unanimously.

The board meeting was recessed at approximately 11:29 a.m. President Fritzler adjourned the executive session and reconvened the board meeting at approximately 12:45 p.m.

New Business:

Director Coyne made the motion to approve the potential for future intervention by CWCB regarding case #19CW3252 Water Rights Application for Parker Water & LSPWCD. Director Kembel seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

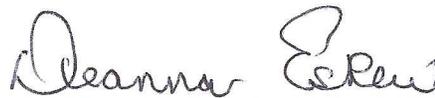
Director Patterson made the motion to approve the Agreement drafted by Ryan Donovan regarding general counsel attorney client privilege with additional language for case #19CW3252 Water Rights Application for Parker Water & LSPWCD. Director Kembel seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Director Kembel made the motion to approve the potential for future intervention by SPWRAP regarding case #19CW3252 Water Rights Application for Parker Water & LSPWCD. Director Coyne seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business: None

Adjournment:

There being no further business, Director Coyne made the motion to adjourn. Director Patterson seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:57p.m.



Deanna Eskew, Secretary