

**ROCKWOOD WATER P.U.D.**  
**MINUTES, REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD**  
**SEPTEMBER 26, 2007**  
**Rockwood Water Boardroom**

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**Board members present:** Sandra Ramaker, Stephen McElroy, Herb Brown, Larry Dixon, Don McCarthy

**Staff present:** Harvey Barnes, District Manager (DM); Mike Baker, District Superintendent (DS); Kerry Aden, Administrative Secretary (AS)

**Guests present:** Jay Breen, Andy Crocker

**President Sandra Ramaker** called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**President Ramaker** asked if there were any changes or additions to the agenda.

**Herb Brown** moved to approve the agenda. **Larry Dixon** seconded the motion. The motion was approved; none opposed.

**APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

**Herb Brown** moved to approve the consent agenda. **Stephen McElroy** seconded the motion. The motioned was approved; none opposed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Stephen McElroy** moved to approve the minutes from the August 22, 2007 regular meeting as amended. **Herb Brown** seconded the motion. The motion was approved; none opposed.

**APPROVAL OF THE BILLS**

**Larry Dixon** inquired about Page 7, Line 54, 2 Radios, Antennas, etc. **DM Barnes** explained the item is the radio for the new pickup. **Mr. Dixon** asked if the old radio could be used. **DM Barnes** explained those radios are being phased out.

**Herb Brown** asked about Page 11, Lines 32 and 33, Meter Inventory Purchases. **DM Barnes** explained the entries are an item entered in error and then removed.

**Sandra Ramaker** inquired about Page 5, Line 27, Fence for Wash Down Yard. **DS Baker** stated we relocated the fence from the back of the pit to increase the size of the wash area.

**Don McCarthy** moved to approve the bills. **Herb Brown** seconded the motion. The motion was approved; none opposed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

There was no public comment on non-agenda items.

**POLICY MANUAL UPDATE – RESOLUTIONS**

**DM Barnes** gave an overview of the resolutions to update policies the Board agreed to at the August meeting.

**Medical Marijuana - RWPUD NO. 07/08-003**

**Herb Brown moved to adopt Resolution RWPUD NO. 07/08-003. Stephen McElroy seconded the motion. The motion was approved; none opposed.**

**Substance Abuse Policy - RWPUD NO. 07/08-004**

**Don McCarthy moved to adopt Resolution RWPUD NO. 07/08-004. Larry Dixon seconded the motion. The motion was approved; none opposed.**

**Appointments/Recruitment - RWPUD NO. 07/08-005**

**Herb Brown moved to adopt Resolution RWPUD NO. 07/08-005. Stephen McElroy seconded the motion. The motion was approved; none opposed.**

**SDAO, PNWS-AWWA, AWWA ANNUAL CONFERENCES - BOARD TRAVEL REQUEST, DISCUSSION**

**DM Barnes explained this agenda item is to approve reimbursement for Board travel requests for the fiscal year 2007-2008.**

**Herb Brown moved to approve Board travel reimbursement for the 2007-2008 fiscal year conferences. Don McCarthy seconded the motion. The motion was approved; none opposed.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**President Ramaker adjourned this portion of the Regular Board meeting at 7:09 p.m. to convene the Executive Session in accordance with ORS 192.660 (2) (d) To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations.**

**President Ramaker re-convened the Regular Board meeting at 8:17 p.m.**

**ANNUAL SALARY AND BENEFIT RECOMMENDATIONS**

**DM Barnes gave an overview of the annual salary and benefit recommendation analysis Local Government and Personnel Institute (LGPI) prepared for the District.**

**Stephen McElroy stated he believes the salary adjustments are absolutely obscene. It's unfair to the people that have to pay the bills, and he can't see where we can not vote to approve it because that would be violating Oregon State Statute. Rather than violate Oregon State Statute, Mr. McElroy stated he will vote to abstain.**

**Herb Brown stated he cannot approve the study and the salaries that were presented with very little time to study the 15 pages of material. Mr. Brown stated he will vote no.**

**Don McCarthy moved to adopt the annual salary and benefit recommendations stated in LGPI's analysis, and implement them on October 1, 2007. Larry Dixon seconded the motion. The motion was approved; Herb Brown opposed the motion, and Stephen McElroy abstained.**

**Herb Brown stated ORS 261 does apply to PUDs, but the implementation of this study is too much at one time for the rate payers and should not be implemented at this time.**

**PROJECT UPDATE**

**DM Barnes** stated he had no additional project updates since the last Board meeting. **DS Baker** also had nothing to add to the project report.

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER**

**DM Barnes** stated everything is working pretty well for us and things are in good shape.

**President Ramaker** reminded everyone the next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 24, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Don McCarthy** moved to adjourn the meeting. **Stephen McElroy** seconded the motion. **The motion was approved; none opposed.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

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