

**CENTRAL WYOMING REGIONAL WATER SYSTEM
JOINT POWERS BOARD**

MEETING PROCEEDINGS

August 15, 2006

A public meeting of the Regional Water System Joint Powers Board (JPB) was held Tuesday, August 15, 2006 at 11:30 AM, in the Joint Powers Board Conference Room, Regional Water Treatment Plant, 1500 SW Wyoming Boulevard, Casper, WY.

Board Members Present - Chairman Bertoglio, Vice-Chairman King, Treasurer Bentley, Board Members Keffer, Killcan, Peryam and Opella. Secretary Padgett was absent.

City of Casper - Bertoglio, Opella, Peryam, David Hill, John Naquin, Janette Brown

Natrona County – Killcan

Salt Creek Joint Powers Board – King

Wardwell Water & Sewer District – Keffer

Pioneer Water & Sewer District – Bentley

Poison Spider Improvement & Service District -

Wyoming Water Development Office -

Sandy Lakes Estates -

Lakeview Improvement & Service District -

33 Mile Road Improvement & Service District –

Central Wyoming Regional Water System - Steve Garner

Central Wyoming Groundwater Guardian Team (CWGG) -

Others – Don Chapin - Crowell and Chapin, P.C.

The JPB meeting was called to order at 11:38 a.m.

1. In Announcements Chairman Bertoglio stated that there will be a short Executive Session at the end of the meeting.
2. Chairman Bertoglio asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2006 meeting. Motion made by Treasurer Bentley and seconded by Board Member Opella to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2006 meeting. Motion put

and carried.

Chairman Bertoglio asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the June 29, 2006 meeting. Motion made by Vice-Chairman King and seconded by Board Member Peryam to approve the minutes of the June 29, 2006 meeting. Motion put and carried.

3. Chairman Bertoglio asked for a motion to reaffirm the approval of the July 2006 vouchers. A motion was made by Treasurer Bentley and seconded by Board Member Opella to reaffirm approval for the July 2006 voucher listing to include voucher numbers 6464 through 6468 in the amount of \$192,644.33. Motion put and carried.

Mr. Hill asked the Board to reference the voucher listing on Item 3b page 2 of the agenda. Mr. Hill stated that the City of Casper reimbursement invoice includes end of June invoices that came in July. He stated that these will be charged to the FY2006 Budget and that the charges were mostly for chemicals and electricity. A motion was made by Board Member Opella and seconded by Board Member Peryam to approve the August 2006 vouchers to include voucher numbers 6469 through 6474 in the amount of \$265,290.45. Motion put and carried.

4. Mr. Hill asked the Board to reference the Financial Statement. Mr. Hill stated that this was the June Financial Report, and that the July was not ready due to the end of the year audit. He stated that on page 3 it shows that Operating Revenue is up \$821,000 more than FY05. Board Member Peryam asked why the Net Assets were down. Ms. Brown stated that it was due to depreciation. Chairman Bertoglio asked if all the June expenses were included in the report. Ms. Brown stated that they were included. A motion was made by Board Member Opella and seconded by Vice-chairman King to accept the June 2006 Financial Report. Motion put and carried.

5. In the Operations update, Mr. Hill turned the time over to Mr. Naquin for his update.

Mr. Naquin stated that it has been a good year for water sales. He stated that June ended at 681mg, 191mg over last June; July ended 735mg, 35mg over; and so far August is 306mg, 89mg over last August. Mr. Naquin stated that last August only 3 days had production over 20mgd and so far this August almost all the days have been over 20mgd. Mr. Naquin stated that the employees have done a great job in adverse conditions. He stated that since the electrical storm on June 9th that took out a lot of equipment, it has been hard for the vendors to get spare parts. Mr. Hill stated that the electrical storm on June 9th has cost approximately \$20,000 for repairs to boosters and the WTP. He stated that it is the same on the Wastewater side.

Mr. Naquin stated that he was able to get all the small systems set up for the VSS with EPA. He stated that EPA let the entities use old RWS THM and HAA5 data. He also stated that 2nd quarter tests were taken out in Midwest and Edgerton. Mr. Naquin stated that he has been trying to get the RWS set up on the EPA website

for the 40/30 classification, but EPA Headquarters does not have the RWS in their database. He stated that it should be straightened out soon. Mr. Naquin stated that Mary Wu from EPA Region VIII would be at the WTP on August 25th to meet with the operators from Vista West, Wardwell and himself about the upcoming LT2 compliance.

Chairman Bertoglio asked what the margin was on the water sold excluding fixed costs. Mr. Hill stated that he did not have the numbers in front of him, but that they could be figured out.

Mr. Hill stated that neither Mr. Rail nor Mr. Conner were available to come to the meeting today to give the Distribution Report. Mr. Hill stated that the transmission system is working well. He stated that the Airport Tank had to be dumped due to low residual and nitrification issues. He stated that the nitrification problems have shown up about a month later this season. Mr. Hill also stated that the Crosstown Pipeline will be flushed in late September.

6. In the Project Update, Mr. Garner stated that the SCADA project with Automation and Electronics is ongoing. Mr. Garner stated that EPA has requested split samples on the Aerobic spore testing due to some results that were received. He stated that on the 25th of July the river showed 640, Caisson 3 showed 580, and Well 6 showed <1. He stated that the results from the following week showed the river at 680, Caisson 3 showed <1 and Well 6 showed <1. Mr. Garner stated that the split samples will be done for about 4 weeks. Mr. Garner stated that sources had told him that Mr. Burger has said that the RWS is the poster child for why riverbank filtration does not work. Mr. Garner stated that there is a meeting in November with EPA. Mr. Garner informed the Board that he will be taking 2 weeks vacation starting on August 28th.
7. There was no Public Comment.
8. Old Business:
 - a) Mr. Hill asked the Board to reference the Draft Fire Suppression Systems System Investment Policy. Mr. Hill stated that Pioneer raised this issue in April or May. He stated that at that time the Board voted to not charge system investment charges for fire suppression systems. Mr. Hill offered to answer any questions on the draft policy. A motion was made by Board Member Opella and seconded by Board Member Peryam to approve the Imposition of System Investment Charges for Fire Suppression Systems Policy. Motion put and carried.
 - b) Mr. Hill stated that the City of Casper awarded a contract to CEPI to do a physical assessment of the Upper Rock Creek Reservoir. He stated that a report is due in 45 days. He also stated that as part of the contract Automation and Electronics was asked to do a survey of how to do telemetry from the reservoir to the water treatment plant. Mr. Hill stated that he expects a good report. Mr. Hill stated that after the reports are received, negotiations will be entered into and a water rights lawyer will be hired. Mr. Hill stated that it is up to the seller to prove that the water will make it to the intake at the water treatment plant.

c) There was no Other Old Business.

10. New Business:

- a) Mr. Hill stated that the WWDC is drilling 2500 foot deep wells south of the Sweetwater River west of Pathfinder reservoir. The test well was drilled just over a year ago and the water was of good quality and quantity. The WWDC is trying to find water that is not tributary to the North Platte River so that it is not affected by the Nebraska/Wyoming/Colorado North Platte River settlement. Mr. Hill stated that testing still has to be done to prove that the water is not connected to the North Platte River system. Mr. Hill stated that the experts seem fairly confident that the wells are not connected to the North Platte River system. Mr. Hill stated that the water could be dumped into the Sweetwater River or Pathfinder Reservoir and let it come to the plant to be treated or pipe it from the wells to the water treatment plant. Mr. Hill stated that the cost of \$70 million is approximate and that the State may pick up 75% of the cost. Mr. Hill stated that it would be approximately 4-6 years before it could be implemented. Mr. Hill asked if the Board wished the Split Rock Groundwater Development included in the 10 year Capital Improvement Plan. Chairman Bertoglio stated that this would have a major impact on future budgets. Board Member Killean stated that it is too far in the future. Chairman Bertoglio asked Mr. Hill to keep the Board informed of the progress with the wells.
- b) Mr. Hill asked Ms. Brown to pass out the Annual Banking Letters to the Board. Ms. Brown informed the Board that the Banking Letters must be signed during an open meeting. The Board Members signed the Banking Letters and returned them to Ms. Brown.
- c) Mr. Hill stated that there is \$25,000 in the FY07 Budget for the demolition of the Old Pump House. Mr. Hill stated that there will be some asbestos removal before the demolition. Mr. Hill requested permission from the Board to get quotes for the demolition of the Old Pump House. A motion was made by Board Member Opella and seconded by Treasurer Bentley to start the process of getting quotes for the demolition of the Old Pump House. Motion put and carried.
- d) Mr. Hill asked the Board to reference the letter from Pioneer Water & Sewer District. Mr. Hill stated that Mr. and Mrs. Geise have property close to CAC and wish to get water from Pioneer Water & Sewer District. Mr. Hill recommended the Board approve the two acre enlargement to the Pioneer Water District. A motion was made by Board Member Opella and seconded by Board Member Killean to approve the two acre expansion of the Pioneer Water & Sewer District. Motion put and carried.

11. There was no Other New Business.

12. In the Chairman's Report, Chairman Bertoglio asked for a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. A motion was made by Board Member Opella and seconded by Board Member Peryam to move into Executive Session. Motion put and carried.

A motion was made by Board Member Opella and seconded by Treasurer Bentley move back into Regular Session. Motion put and carried.

A motion was made by Board Member Opella and seconded by Treasurer Bentley to adjourn the meeting at 12:40 p.m. Motion put and carried.

Chairman

Secretary

Paul C. Bertoglio

