

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

**MEETING PROCEEDINGS**

July 14, 2004

A public meeting of the Regional Water System Joint Powers Board (JPB) was held Wednesday, July 14, 2004 beginning with an Executive Session at 11:30 AM and the regular meeting at 12:00 PM, in the Joint Powers Board Conference Room, Regional Water Treatment Plant, 1500 SW Wyoming Boulevard, Casper, WY.

**Board Members Present** - Chairman Bertoglio, Vice-Chairman Dobos, Secretary Jones, Treasurer Padgett, Board Members Lamb, Peryam and Workman. Board Member Killean was absent.

**City of Casper** - Bertoglio, Padgett, Lamb, Peryam, David Hill

**Natrona County** -

**Salt Creek Joint Powers Board** – Jones

**Wardwell Water & Sewer District** – Workman

**Pioneer Water & Sewer District** – Dobos, Sandra 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** - John Naquin, Janette Brown, Deena Hood, Michael McDaniels, Brian Boettcher, Brian Schroeder, Frank Somer, Does Mitchell

**Central Wyoming Groundwater Guardian Team (CWGG)**- Floyd Field

**Others** - Don Chapin – Crowell, Chapin and Dixon, P.C., Greg Fladager – KWYF-TV

The JPB meeting was called to order at 12:40 p.m.

1. Chairman Bertoglio announced that Board Member Killean was unable to attend and did not leave her proxy with anyone.
2. Chairman Bertoglio asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the June 16,

2004 JPB meeting. Motion made by Secretary Jones and seconded by Board Member Peryam to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2004 JPB meeting. Motion put and carried with Vice-Chairman Dobos abstaining.

3. Mr. Naquin asked the Board to reference pages 6 and 7 of the agenda as well as the handout dated July 14, 2004 to include vouchers 6007 through 6078 for a total amount of \$153,853.20. Mr. Naquin offered to answer any questions the Board had with reference to the vouchers. Secretary Jones asked if voucher 6030 was for the pump that was turned in to the insurance. Mr. Naquin stated that it was, but he had not heard from the insurance yet. Board Member Peryam asked if voucher 6036 had any charges to Mt. View Sub Shop on it. Ms. Hood stated that it did not. Motion made by Board Member Peryam and seconded by Board Member Workman to approve the vouchers as of July 14, 2004 in the amount of \$153,853.20. Motion put and carried.
4. Mr. Naquin asked the Board to reference the financial report contained in their agenda packets on pages 8 through 14. He stated that the billing is up by \$400,000 but that June was not as good as last year. Mr. Naquin also asked the Board to reference page 14, Budget vs. Actual. He stated that the line item Lab Supplies was over budget by \$100 as turbidity standards had to be purchased for the lab. Vice-Chairman Dobos asked when the meter was installed for the plant. Mr. Naquin stated that he believed the meter was installed by 1999. Chairman Bertoglio asked if the money that was rolled over into the Rate Stabilization Fund is reflected on the statement. Ms. Hood stated that the deposit was made after 4pm, so is not reflected on the statement.
5. In the Operations update, Mr. Naquin stated that June was not as productive as was anticipated, but was 100 million gallons higher than last June. He stated that so far, July production is 20 million gallons less than last July due to the weather. He stated that the plant is producing around 20-21 mgd. Mr. Naquin also stated that the injection point for the sodium hypochlorite for the surface water system was changed to obtain a better mix for the chloramines. He stated that there seemed to still be a little difficulty with the residuals by the Airport, but the other tank residuals are fair. Chairman Bertoglio asked what the peak so far for production has been. Mr. Naquin stated that on July 11<sup>th</sup> production was 22 mgd.
6. There was no Public Comment.
7. Old Business:
  - a) Mr. Naquin stated that requests for quotes for a new truck for Operations were taken to White's Motor, Coliseum, and Greiner Ford. The only reply received was from Greiner Ford. Greiner Ford gave two quotes, one for a truck to order for \$17,282 and one for a white Ranger 4x4 in stock for \$17,172. The extended warranty would cost \$1,020. Mr. Naquin stated that he recommends the purchase of the in-stock truck with the extended warranty. Board Member Lamb asked if the Taurus had been taken in for service when the light came on. Mr. Naquin stated that the oil light came on, which typically means there is not oil pressure, and the Taurus is quite

old with many miles on it. Board Member Peryam asked how many miles are on the Taurus. Mr. Naquin stated that it is unknown due to the fact that the speedometer has been changed twice. He stated that the current odometer reads 84,000 miles and he believes there is over 150,000 miles on the car. Board Member Peryam asked what year the Taurus is. Mr. Naquin stated that it is a 1995. Chairman Bertoglio asked for a motion to approve the purchase of the white 4x4 Ranger that is in stock from Greiner Ford with the extended warranty for approximately \$18,000. Motion made by Board Member Lamb and seconded by Secretary Jones to purchase the white 4x4 Ranger that is in stock from Greiner Ford with the extended warranty for approximately \$18,000. Motion put and carried.

8. There was no Other Old Business.
9. The Board elected not to take a break.
10. Mr. Naquin stated that he has the annual banking letters for the Board members to sign. He stated that the letters ask if the Board Members have any interest in Hilltop National Bank and Wells Fargo Bank. He also stated that the letters must be signed in open session. The Board Members signed the letters and turned them in to Mr. Naquin.
11. Mr. Naquin asked Mr. Floyd Field to give the Groundwater Guardian Well Field Data Update. Mr. Field stated that the Groundwater Guardians are in the process of re-writing the by-laws to include associate memberships. Mr. Field stated that the analytical testing budget for the CWGG was reduced due to the testing that has been done in the past. He stated that since April 1997, 57 sites were tested and of the 57 sites, only 10 were tested 8-10 times. The analysis showed that there were only 3 problem areas for nitrate and nitrite. EPA required that a baseline be established, now that it has been established, the testing will be cut back to one testing period for IOC, VOC and SOC. Board Member Lamb asked if any results were over EPA limits. Mr. Field stated that there were. Board Member Lamb asked if EPA could shut down the wells. Mr. Field stated that because they are private wells, EPA could not shut the wells down. Vice-Chairman Dobos stated that the testing was to help show if there was a plume of contaminates moving towards the RWS well field and the results showed that there was not. He stated that the goal of the CWGG is to educate the people on how to prevent the contamination in their wells.
12. In Other New Business, Chairman Bertoglio stated that the Board has met quite frequently since the last meeting and one of the options that were discussed was an Operations Contract with the City of Casper to operate the system again. Chairman Bertoglio asked for a motion to have Mr. Chapin work with the City of Casper to develop an Operations Contract for the System, for the Board's review and the review of the respective entities, in the event the Board finds mutual ground on the Contract and can discuss if it is to be brought before the Board for a vote. Motion made by Vice-Chairman Dobos and seconded by Board Member Peryam for Mr. Chapin to work with the City of Casper to develop an Operations Contract. Chairman Bertoglio stated that this does not mean that this what the

Board intends to do. He stated that this is a big step that the public needs to know about and the entities need to take it back to their boards for discussion. He stated that the employees need to know that the Board does not intend to spring this on them if this is the route the Board takes. Motion put and carried. Ms. Hood asked that if the Board decided to go with the Operations Contract, would all the employees at the plant become City employees. Chairman Bertoglio stated that is one of the many questions that need to be answered. He stated that it is unknown at this point, until the contract is brought before the Board for discussion. He stated that there are also other options the Board is reviewing and the Board is trying to move quickly.

13. There was no Chairman's Report.
14. Chairman Bertoglio stated the next meeting would be held on August 18, 2004 and asked the Board if 11:30am would work for everyone. The Board agreed to the date and time.

A motion was made by Treasurer Padgett and seconded by Board Member Lamb to adjourn the meeting at 1:10 p.m. Motion put and carried.

Secretary

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