

**MAYER DOMESTIC WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
13193 CENTRAL AVENUE
MAYER, ARIZONA 86333**

**Board Meeting Minutes
Regular Session
November 12, 2009**

CALL TO ORDER:

Joe Mish, Board Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS:

Joe Mish, Rick Ziegler, Pat Champion, Kevin Jones and Mike King were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Pat made a motion to approve the minutes as written from October 8, 2009.
Kevin seconded the motion. The Board voted, all in favor.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

None.

BOARD REPORTS:

Pat told the Board that the District now has magnetic signs with the new logo on the truck doors and a sign on the front of the office. Pat said that the District does not have a proper policy manual and suggested the Board schedule a work session to work on one. Joe said to get the information together and bring it to the Board.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

Manager's Report: Casey said that he and Owen did two meter resets and 1 meter change-out. They repaired leaks on Yucca, Austin and in Poland Junction. They installed a new booster pump in Poland Junction. The meter read worksheet has been updated with the correct addresses and property owners. They located a lost meter on Fourth Street. Casey said he has started the well head protection program. They have been sealing off all old, abandoned wells. Pat made a motion to accept the Manager's report. Kevin seconded the motion. The Board voted, all in favor.

Financial Report: Pat made a motion to accept the financial report. Rick seconded the motion. He asked what the \$2500 in system restructure was and was told it was for engineering. The Board voted all in favor to accept the financial report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Update by Ben Husa: Ben said he has been working on the preliminary engineering report. He had been looking at the pressure areas in town. After meeting with Casey and talking about replacing the old lines in town first Ben came up with a preliminary cost to replace lines on Fairmist and First thru Fifth streets. He also mentioned to the Board that in doing a preliminary search he could not find any legal documentation on the property that Jacobs and Goodwin tanks are on. He said if the District were to do any improvements it would have to get a lease agreement or easement. He will check on that further. Rick voted to table further discussion on this item until item 8a was discussed. Pat seconded, the Board voted, all in favor.

Charging inactive meters a monthly fee: Joe said that we have been talking about charging inactive meters a monthly fee. Heather said she called Steve Wene and he could not find any legal statute saying a water provider had to re-issue a meter once a property has had water but had the meter removed. The Board discussed the options if a person didn't want to pay the monthly fee. Rick and Mike stated that they would not want to pull the meter permanently from a property. There was more discussion on what to charge. Kevin again suggested a \$10 a month charge. After further discussion Mike made a motion to establish a monthly inactive fee of \$25.50 + tax and issue a letter informing them of the consequences of having that meter pulled. Kevin seconded the motion. Rick said he would want to see the letter first. The Board voted, all in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

Melody Reifsnnyder-explain the USDA grant and others to apply for: Melody said that the USDA does not normally give a 75% grant but that the Mayer Water District has the right kind of circumstances to qualify for one. She said she could complete the preliminary grant proposal without having the preliminary engineering report. The Board discussed adding more projects than just the Fifth St. and Fairmist project to the grant proposal. Ben said he would include these in his preliminary engineering report. Melody said the District would have to get an environmental review also. Mike would like to find out if there is a way the District could use its CAP money for the 25% match. After further discussion, Pat made a motion to hire Melody to pursue the USDA grant for infrastructure improvements. Kevin seconded the motion. The Board voted, all in favor.

Information on wind power: Kevin told the Board he had been researching wind power sources. He found a company out in Chino Valley that builds the windmills themselves. Kevin explained the quote he got was for the Grapevine well and that it should probably be pumped into a storage tank then fed into the system. The Board discussed how to pay for it. Rick made a motion to table this item until Melody could see if there was grant money out there for wind power. Pat seconded the motion. The Board voted, all in favor.

ADJOURNMENT:

Rick made a motion to adjourn. Pat seconded the motion. The Board voted all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.