

**MAYER DOMESTIC WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
12994 CENTRAL AVENUE
P.O. BOX 416**

**Board Meeting Minutes
Regular Session
April 11, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER:

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

ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMEBERS:

Joe Mish, Pat Champion, Gordon Nelson and Rita Macdonald were present. Kevin Jones was absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Pat made a motion to accept the minutes from March 14th, 2013. Gordon seconded the motion. Rita said she would abstain as she had not had a chance to read them. Gordon and Pat voted to accept the minutes.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Joe made the statement that the Board doesn't appreciate derogatory remarks made about the Board. He said if need be he will suspend the call to the public.

Kathy King said she wants more complete minutes. She also asked what is the deal with the no trespassing signs? She said there are three of them. She thought this was an open door policy. Joe said they were put up for after hours. Gordon also pointed out that there was a potential for injury for anyone on the property.

Joanne Coe said she didn't see the status of the Lucas well on the agenda.

Frank Soto addressed the Chairman and said about the derogatory remarks, they would not be happening if the Board was listening. He brought up the fact that Margie Good came in two years ago to offer help with the financial reports and nobody listened to her. He said that she said the District was \$23,000 over what it was taking in in water sales. Gordon told Frank that anyone can come in and be put on the agenda.

Ethel Barnum said she just had one question. She said Mr. Soto addressed how much money was coming in, but she said since we are an improvement district shouldn't that money be used for improvements.

Ralph Stone, Main St., offered his services to Kevin Jones to help on water conservation.

BOARD REPORTS:

Pat said that the legal opinion had been given by the lawyer and was to be on the agenda tonight but Rita had some issues with the terminology in the opinion. Pat said it would be on the next agenda.

Rita thought it would be a good idea to have a special meeting to go through the paper work because there were details not caught by the lawyer and need to be addressed.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

Manager's Report: Casey said he had 1 meter re-infranchise. They did 2 meter valve change-outs in Poland Junction. They did 1 meter re-set. They have started the Main St. pipeline job on April 1st. So far they have installed 540" of pipeline. Casey said they had most of the parts, had all of the shade and ABC hauled in with our dump truck, saving the District \$50.00 per load, and it's ready to go. Casey pointed out that there were a lot of conflicting utilities and it was slow going at first.

Heather told the Board that so far the District had spent \$42,998.72 on parts for the Main St. project and \$3,320.00 in labor. Totaling \$46,318.72. Rita said that was almost a 3rd of what had been approved. Gordon pointed out that the parts had been bought ahead and were stockpiled in the back. Heather explained to the Board that she had the accountant coming in on April 16th -as this was the soonest she could come since it was tax season. She also told the Board that originally Pam Harbeson had set up Quickbooks and had everything in place. When Margie Good took her place Margie stopped using 2/3 of the program and hired Bennett accounting. Therefore Quickbooks has not been updated since 2005. There was discussion on how long it was taking to get the financials straight. Rita said there were lots of people out there who have offered their help. Pat said that they have been offered the opportunity to come in and put themselves on the agenda. Rita said that they had been turned away. Joe said that it would be a good idea for every Board member to read the minutes dating back from 1991. He said there are issues in the minutes that have never been approved. He stated that is why we are paying a lawyer \$60,000 for issues like the CAP fund. Rita said no, the only reason the District had lawyer fees is because somebody tried to give away our well. Gordon said no, that was not true. Pat made a motion to accept the Managers report and financial report. Gordon seconded. The Board voted, Pat and Gordon for, Rita opposed.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Tabled for next meeting. Rita wants a special meeting to get this taken care of. Special session. Rita said that the District was in violation and that this should have been taken care of months ago. Joe pointed out that she had voted to have all members present when electing the officers. She asked what Joe meant. It was explained again and she said she was fuzzy tonight. She said she would call Joe and set this up.

REPORT ON THE STATUS OF CAP FUNDS:

Pat said that Emery has been working with Shiela and gathering all the data to submit to ADRW. They are working on submitting plans for the arsenic, new tank and the Pump Tech well. She said it is all about to be done and they are going to go in and ask for all of the remaining funds. Rita asked about the Pump Tech well and about the easement. Pat said the Pump Tech well is ours. Further discussion on the CAP fund will be put on next month's agenda.

APPROVAL TO START THE ENGINEERING FOR THE FAIRLAND, WICKS AND JEFFERSON LINE TO TIE INTO THE NEW LINE:

Casey explained that the line coming from the new tank need to tie into the lines that have already been put in. Gordon said would valves be put in so the system could be isolated. Casey said yes. Casey said it would be a good idea to get a jump on this Fairland, Wicks and Jefferson project and not wait around for approval. Rita said she wants to know the cost of this project. Joe said he doesn't want to wait around and have something happen like the Oak Hills project, where there was a well purchased without being tested, and the pipeline put in costing the people \$80,000. Not one drop of water through the pipeline. Joe said that's why he wants this done so that we know we have water coming through the pipeline. Will contact Emery and see what his engineering cost will be. Pat made a motion to approve Emery to give the District

an estimated cost of the engineering project for Fairland, Wicks and Main and also an estimated completion date. Gordon seconded. The Board voted, all in favor.

CUSTOMER RALPH STONE HAD A WATER LEAK ON HIS SIDE, WOULD LIKE THE DISTRICT TO SPLIT THE BILL:

Ralph Stone, 13201 Main St., said that he did not have a leak on his side. He said that Casey, Mark and Michael had come out and helped look for a leak. Nothing was found. He doesn't know how his usage went from 5,200 gallons to 28,600. He said he is there all the time and there is no way someone came and stole water from him. He said he understands how water works in Arizona. He feel that it would be "fair" for the District to split this water bill with him. His other concern was that it could happen again. Gordon asked Casey what meter he had and Casey said it was an SR11, which was a newer model. Casey said usually when the meters start getting older they slow down on registering water. Joe said he would like to go and see the property. Item tabled. Gordon voted to table the item, Rita seconded. Board voted, all in favor.

HIRE ALYX COHEN FOR THE AUDIT OF 2012/2013:

The Board would like to get an estimate of what another audit would cost.

ADJOURNMENT:

Pat made a motion to adjourn. Gordon seconded. The Board voted, all in favor.
Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.