

MINUTES

**NFRWQPA
January 27, 2005**

1. Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Chair Gale McGaha Miller at the offices of the Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District. Roll was called and the following members were in attendance:

Rich Elliot – Berthoud	Ken Rutt – Broomfield
Gary Carsten – Eaton	Jody Lambert – Erie
James Duell – Estes Park S.D.	Earl Smith – Evans
Gale McGaha Miller – Fort Collins	Dana Ulmer – OMI / Fort Lupton
Trudy Peterson – Kersey	Ed Schemm – Larimer County
Cindy Titus – Lochbuie	Larry Wyeno – Longmont
Rod Hamilton – Loveland	Bill Haas – Northglenn
Bob Alberts – Pierce	Bud Manker – Platteville
Ron Hiatt – St. Vrain S.D.	Terry Farrill – South Ft. Collins S.D.
Tim Gaines – Timnath	Ron Witt – U.T.S.D.
Mike Geile – Weld County	

Also present were Merle Maas, Greg Schroeder, and Eric Garner.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the December 9, 2004 meeting were considered. Mr. Witt made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted, Mr. Geile seconded the motion, and it passed.

3. Financial Report for December

The financial report for December was reviewed. Mr. DuBois summarized the report and he noted that expenses were within the normal monthly range. He also said that total year end expenses were about 4% below projections and revenues were at 102% of year's projected total. Mr. Farrill made a motion to approve the financial report, Mr. Rutt seconded the motion, and it passed.

4. Election of Officers for 2005

Ms. McGaha Miller presented the slate of officers as proposed by the Nominating Committee and requested any additional nominations from the floor. Hearing no other

nominations, Mr. Geile made a motion to accept the slate of officers as presented. Mr. Manker seconded the motion and it passed. The 2005 officers are as follows:

Chair: Gale McGaha Miller

Vice-Chair: Ed Schemm

Secretary-Treasurer: Steve Adams

Members At Large: Earl Smith, Ken Rutt, Ron Witt, and Terry Farrill

5. Site Approval Application – Town of Eaton

Mr. Carsten presented a summary of the Town's amended application for the new wastewater treatment facility. These amendments include a change in process from an oxidation ditch type plant to an Aero-mod extended aeration activated sludge plant, as well as a change in plant capacity from 0.45 mgd to 0.75 mgd. Greg Schroeder, with Schmueser, Gordon and Meyer, Engineer for the Town, also added that the Aero-mod process was identified as an alternative after the utility plan had been completed and it was determined that with this technology a bigger plant could be built for about the same cost. Mr. Farrill asked Mr. Schroeder to explain why the clarifier does not meet the state's design criteria and would require a variance. Mr. Schroeder explained that the clarifier will use suction heads and air lift pump instead of being gear driven. Mr. Geile made a motion to recommend for approval of the site application. Mr. Schemm seconded the motion and it passed.

6. Site Approval Application – Town of Berthoud

Mr. Elliot presented a brief summary of the Town's application for a new wastewater treatment plant. This plant is intended to serve development for both Berthoud and Johnstown near I-25 and will replace the plant previously referred to as Johnstown's Cross Point Plant. This will be an Aero-mod facility. It is consistent with the facility plan for Berthoud but will be located approximately ½ mile from the originally considered site. There were concerns raised from Ron Hiatt about Berthoud's ability to finance the facility and he recommended that the application be tabled. It was also asked if the developer would finance the entire cost of the \$1.6 million plant. Mr. Elliot responded that they would cover that cost. Mr. Alberts pointed out that the application states that the facility will be designed for 0.25 mgd originally. If the Town chooses to expand that to 0.5 mgd in the future, it will require a separate site application. Mr. Schemm voiced concerns about the lack of an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Johnstown and Berthoud as of yet which would help to assure the facility is indeed a regional plant. A motion was made by Mr. Wyeno to recommend approval the application. Mr. Schemm made a friendly amendment to that motion to include that the approval be contingent on an IGA being developed prior to receiving final approval from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. Mr. Manker seconded the motion and it passed. Ms. McGaha Miller requested an update on the IGA process at the next board meeting.

7. **Budget for 2005**

Mr. DuBois presented the 2005 budget as approved the Executive Committee. Mr. DuBois discussed the increase in personnel costs due to the overlap in managers prior to his retirement. Mr. Witt made a motion to approve the 2005 budget. Mr. Hamilton seconded the motion and it passed.

8. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm.