

MINUTES
NFRWQPA March 22, 2007 Meeting

1. Role Call

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. by Chair, Ed Schemm at the Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District offices. Roll was called and the following members were in attendance:

Ravi Srivastava – Boxelder S.D.
Randy Siddens – Boxelder S.D.
John Mays – Erie
Myles Throop – Frederick
Carol Webb – Ft. Collins
Jim Sidebottom – Ft. Lupton
Wendy Daughtry - Greeley
Dave Pusey – Kodak Colo.
Ed Schemm – Larimer County
Cindy Titus – Lochbuie

Larry Wyeno – Longmont
Steve Adams – Loveland
David Allen - Northglenn
Eric Doering – St. Vrain S.D.
John Jordan – Timnath
Jeff Hodge – Upper Thompson S.D.
Doug Rademacher – Weld County
Wayne Ramey – Weld County Tri-Area S.D.
Dennis Wagner – Windsor

Also present were Connie O’Neill, Manager for the Association, Trisha Culp, Josh McGibbon, John Holdren, Steve Humann, and Summer Jawson.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the February 22, 2007 meeting were considered. Mr. Doering made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Mays seconded the motion and it passed.

3. Financial Report

Ms. O’Neill summarized the February financial report. Mr. Ramey made a motion to accept the report. Mr. Adams seconded the motion and it passed.

4. Decision Item: Site Application – Town of Hudson, Expansion of an Existing Facility

Ms. O’Neill summarized the site application. She indicated that the expansion would increase the capacity of the plant to 0.31 MGD and is designed as a temporary solution to the immediate growth needs. Ms. O’Neill also pointed out that the area to be served by the expanded plant reaches outside the current 208 boundary for the Town of Hudson and as such, the Town is in the process of completing a plan amendment to expand their service area. She also indicated that PELs have not been received from the state. Because of these two items, Ms. O’Neill suggested that it would be appropriate to consider two conditions on any recommendation for approval:

- A service area boundary expansion for the Town should be completed which would expand their existing boundary to include all area used in the flow calculations for the expansion.
- Should the PELs established by the state be significantly different than anticipated, further review and comment may be necessary.

Mr. McGibbon, Town Engineer for Hudson, stated that the Town has given approval to begin the master planning process to evaluate long term wastewater solutions. He also indicated that the plan amendment expansion would encompass both the area identified for a new prison and a truck stop. Mr. Sidebottom indicated that Ft. Lupton had reviewed the proposed expansion and had no concerns. He then made a motion to recommend for approval of the site application with the two previously stated conditions. Mr. Doering seconded the motion and it passed.

5. **Decision Item: Site Application – Wind River Ranch Request to Amend a Previous Site Approval**

Ms. O'Neill summarized the site application and indicated the request was to address water quality issues that the Ranch had been having with the plant which had resulted in enforcement from the state. She indicated that the slight increase in hydraulic capacity is being requested to clear up discrepancies between the original site application and the current permit. In addition, Ms. O'Neill stated that the state had indicated that they will most likely be successful in having the nitrate and total inorganic nitrogen limits removed from the permit. She also indicated that the Ranch will need to haul the effluent for additional treatment until the upgrades are complete.

Ms. O'Neill suggested that because there had not been a final decision made by the state on removing the nitrate and total inorganic nitrogen limits from the permit, the following condition would be appropriate on any recommendation for approval:

- Should the state determine that it would not be appropriate to remove the nitrate and total inorganic nitrogen limits from the permit, additional consideration and review by the Association may be necessary.

Mr. O'Neill stated that the Association could also suggest that the state expedite the review process to allow for improvements to be made as soon as possible.

Mr. Pusey questioned the feasibility of the modifications. Mr. Ramey indicated there is a need for an equalization tank. Mr. Ramey then made a motion to recommend for approval of the application with the condition that should the permit limits for nitrate and total inorganic nitrogen not be removed, the Ranch would need to resubmit the application for consideration. Mr. Mays seconded the motion and it passed.

6. **Decision Item: Site Application – Town of Windsor, Great Western Industrial Park Lift Station**

Ms. O'Neill indicated that the Town had submitted additional information for the application which was handed out. This included a change in the service basin for the lift station. Currently the Towns of Windsor and Severance have an IGA that addresses wastewater from a portion of the Severance 208 boundary being treated by the Windsor plant. Because of this, there was area within the Severance 208 boundary included in the lift station drainage. However, Severance had now determined that service to this area will not be needed from Windsor so this area has been removed from the basin and the flows recalculated in the handout. Additionally, Ms. O'Neill indicated that emergency storage information was also included in the handout.

Ms. Jawson, Engineer for the application, indicated that the change in service area resulted in a decrease in ultimate flows of approximately 300 gpm. She also gave a brief description of the lift station design. Mr. Adams questioned the emergency power for the station and where an overflow would drain to. Ms. Jawson indicated that the back up generator would be part of the first phase and that should an overflow occur, flows would surface at a manhole located in the road side ditch and would flow to a detention pond. Mr. Schemm questioned who would maintain the station and Ms. Jawson indicated it would be the Town. Mr. Adams then made a

motion to recommend for approval of the application and verified that the application had been modified to reflect the changes. Mr. Sidebottom seconded the motion and it passed.

7. **Public Hearing: Boxelder Sanitation District Plan Amendment**

Ms. O'Neill reviewed the public hearing process for the Association. She then gave a brief description of the proposed amendment which affects two property owners currently within the Windsor service area. Both property owners have been informed of the change. In addition the Association has received comments from the town of Windsor indicating that they are not opposed to the change. Mr. Schemm questioned if service would be provided by gravity to the area. Mr. Siddens indicated that eventually it would gravity to the east side of Timnath Reservoir. Mr. Schemm then asked for comments from the public. Seeing none, he moved to comments and questions from the Association. Mr. Ramey made a motion to approve the proposed amendment. Mr. Pusey seconded the motion and it passed.

8. **Other Business Water Quality Control Commission:**

Ms. O'Neill indicated that the Commission held the Rule Making Hearing for the adoption of new ammonia standards into the basin regulation. The Commission approved the Division's recommendation with a couple of modifications. The Division proposed adopting the new criteria into all the basins and also proposed temporary modifications, equal to the existing standards, in the warm stream segments that had dischargers. This would allow for additional time to address the more stringent requirements. The main discussion item leading up to the hearing was the length of time the temporary modifications would be in place. The Division proposed that the temporary modifications would be in place until the end of 2011 (with a couple of specific exceptions). The Commission approved this as well as Denver Metro's request to extend the temporary modification on Segment 15 of the South Platte until 2014.

Mr. Srivastava stated that this Rule Making Hearing had been in the works since 2005. He added that the next target will be nutrient standards and it appears that the state is considering the EPA recommendations. He suggested that it would be appropriate for the Association to voice any concerns on the issue early in the process.

9. **Adjourn**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:43 p.m.