

MINUTES
NFRWQPA
November 3, 2005

1. Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 pm by Chair Gale McGaha Miller at the Pulliam Building in Loveland. Roll was called and the following members were in attendance;

Jim White – Berthoud	Cindy Titus – Lochbuie
Tony Huerta – Berthoud	Larry Wyeno – Longmont
Ravi Srivastava – Boxelder S.D.	Steve Adams – Loveland
Ken Rutt – Broomfield	Terry Farrill – South Ft. Collins S.D.
Jody Lambert – Erie	Rob Fleck – St. Vrain S.D.
Jim Duell – Estes Park S.D.	Tim Gaines – Timnath
Earl Smith – Evans	Karen Reynolds – W.C. Tri-Area S.D.
Gale McGaha Miller – Ft. Collins	Jeff Hodge – W.C. Tri-Area S.D.
Ed Schemm – Larimer County	

Also present were Connie O’Neill, Trisha Culp, and Rich Dvorak, Warren Mesloh.

2. Minutes

Minutes of the September 22, 2005 meeting were considered. Mr. Schemm made one correction of the minutes on page 3, second paragraph. The following was added to the first sentence: “by the governing municipality or county. Mr. Farrill made a motion to approve the minutes, Mr. Smith seconded the motion and it passed.

3. Financial Reports

The financial reports for September were considered. Mr. Schemm made a motion to accept the financial reports, Mr. Adams seconded the motion and it passed.

4. Information Item, Site Application – Wild Teal Lift Station

Ms. O’Neill presented information on a lift station site application that was submitted by Wild Teal Improvements LLC. The lift station will be located in the Boxelder Sanitation District service area and will serve the Teal Creek and Saddler Arena Subdivisions. The flows for the lift station at full build out are expected to be about 0.23 mgd with 273 lbs. BOD₅/day. The application was found to be consistent with the Area Wide Water Quality Management Plan and contained the appropriate safety/back up items including a back up generator on site and an alarm that will notify Boxelder staff in the event of a problem. Should an overflow occur at the site, water would run into an adjacent field not a waterway. Ms. O’Neill stated that the application had been given staff approval on September 28, 2005.

5. Information Item, Site Application – Town of Platteville

Ms. O’Neill presented information on a lift station site application that was submitted by the Town of Platteville. The lift station will serve Trappers Trail Subdivision that can not currently be served by a gravity line. Should additional development happen in the future, a gravity line

may be extended past this subdivision which would allow for the lift station to be abandoned. The average daily flows from this lift station will be about 0.079 mgd with peak flows around 0.215 mgd. This application was found to be consistent with the Areawide Water Quality Management Plan and contained the appropriate back up items including alarms, and back up power. Should an overflow occur at the site, water would run into a storm water retention pond. At this time, Platteville's WWTF is at its organic capacity. The Town is in the process of receiving approval for improvements to the plant that would increase that capacity. Because of that, the recommendation given was contingent upon the improvements being made to the wastewater treatment facility to increase the capacity sufficiently to serve the proposed development. A recommendation for approval was given by staff with this condition on October 28, 2005. Ms. McGaha Miller asked if there would be excess organic capacity once the improvements were made to the wastewater facility. Ms. O'Neill said that there would but that she had also talked with the Town about the need for additional planning to begin.

6. Site Application – South Ft. Collins Sanitation District

Ms. O'Neill presented the information submitted by South Ft. Collins Sanitation District in the site application for a new facility. The district is planning to build a new 4.5 mgd plant which will replace the existing 3.0 mgd plant. The project was described in the 2000 Master Plan which was accepted by NFRWQPA in April 2001. The main differences between this application and the process outlined in the Master plan were the size of the first phase of construction and the associated costs, and the sludge handling system. Mr. Farrill stated that the District is cash funding the entire project. Ms. O'Neill also stated that staff recommended for approval of this item.

Mr. White asked for more information about the sludge handling system. Mr. Mesloh gave a description of the "Cannibal" sludge reduction process and its benefits to the district. Mr. Farrill also added that this system should reduce the foaming issues. Mr. White questioned how successful these systems had been. Mr. Mesloh stated that they had visited several that are in place which have been very successful. Mr. Srivastava made a motion to recommend approval of the application. Mr. White seconded the motion and it passed.

7. Town of Berthoud – IGA Concerns

Ms. O'Neill stated that this agenda item was in follow up to a concern the Town of Berthoud had with the meeting minutes from June 2005 which indicated that Berthoud had "suggested an IGA" with the Town of Johnstown. Mr. Farrill had suggested that we review the tap from the December meeting to clarify the issues. After reviewing the tape, Ms. O'Neill stated that the Town of Johnstown first brought up the development of an IGA and when asked about it Berthoud stated that they have represented that if there is an entity or homeowner that needs to be served they would not be excluded. Berthoud also stated that they didn't see any major stumbling blocks to getting an IGA. Mr. Farrill made a motion to amend the June 2005 minutes to reflect that Johnstown was the entity to first suggest an IGA. Mr. Smith seconded the motion and it passed.

8. 2005 Update - Areawide Water Quality Management Plan

Ms. O'Neill presented a summary of the information that she had received so far for the 2005 Update to the Areawide Water Quality Management Plan. She indicated that out of the approximately 50 entities contacted, she had received updates from about half. She requested that

the remaining entities submit the information by the end of November. A draft of the Update will be presented at the December meeting. The following entities have identified areas for discussion that may result in service area changes:

- Milliken and Evans
- Dacono Sanitation District, St. Vrain Sanitation District, and Weld County Tri-Area Sanitation District (to the east)
- Greeley, Milliken, Johnstown, and Windsor (along Hwy. 34)
- Erie and St. Vrain Sanitation District

9. Appointment of Nominating Committee

Mr. Farrill volunteered to serve as chair of the Nominating Committee and will recruit additional Committee members as needed. Mr. White stated that Mr. Alberts may be interested in being nominated. There was then some discussion about which representatives would be eligible for nomination.

10. Other Business

- A. Water Quality Control Commission: At the October Commission meeting there was discussion of how the Commission should adopt the ammonia standards. The decision was made to adopt the standards for all the basins (with the exception of the San Juan/Gunnison which will be held in June 2006) in a separate hearing to be held in 2007. The Commission made this decision with the understanding that the Division would be conducting considerable outreach between now and then and that the Commission would be open to considering temporary modifications.

Ms. O'Neill stated that there was also a presentation given at the meeting regarding air quality deposition and the potential impacts to water quality in Rocky Mountain National Park.

- B. Colorado Water Congress Water Quality Workshop: Ms. O'Neill stated that she had attended a workshop in October which dealt with future regulatory issues. If anyone is interested in a copy of the slides from the workshop and a summary, they could contact Ms. O'Neill.

- C. South Platte Forum: Ms. O'Neill presented a brief summary of the South Platte Forum held in October. Presentation slides from the forum will be available on the forum's website at www.southplatteforum.org.

- D. Ron Witt: Mr. Farrill announced for those members who had not hear that Ron Witt with the Upper Thompson Sanitation District and an Executive Committee Member to the Association had recently passed away. Ms. O'Neill stated that the Association had sent a contribution to the Cody Museum in remembrance of Ron.

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11. Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.