

**MINUTES OF THE UTILITIES BOARD MEETING  
OF THE  
TOWN OF EAGAR, ARIZONA  
July 2, 2007**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT** Kim Holaway, Chairman – Council Member  
Bill Greenwood, Town Manager  
Elwin Browning, Public Works Administrator  
Milt Nelson, Water Utility and Wastewater Dept.  
Steven Heap, Citizen Member  
Dennis Bigelow, Citizen Member  
Marion Wiltbank, Staff

**GUEST** Bruce Ray, Director of Community Development

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Vice-Chairman Steven Heap called the meeting of the Utilities Board to order at 12:00 p.m.

**2. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Pursuant to public notice of the meeting, there was a call to the public. No public was present.

**3. REVIEW OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**1. APPROVAL OF THE JUNE MINUTES OF THE UTILITIES BOARD**

Milt Nelson wanted the minutes on page 2-(2<sup>nd</sup> to last paragraph) to be changed from ~~the Nicoll Well pumps~~ 1 million gallons a day - to be changed to read – ALL THE WELLS PUMP 1 million gallons a day.

Dennis Bigelow motioned to approve minutes of June 2007, with the changes made. Seconded by Elwin Browning; all were in favor, motion carried.

**4. REPORTS**

**A. WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT**

**1. Update on the Golf Course Well**

Milt Nelson received approval to use Golf Course Well from ADEQ. Milt has flushed and disinfected the well and he will soon use it; the Golf Course has used the well.

**2. Discussion and Consideration of Future Water Line Projects Prioritization**

Bruce Ray passed out his report titled “Water mains- problems and replacements” (report is attached). Bruce recommended that:

- Priority #1 - be (first page #4) - #4. Spanish Trail 4000 ft. of 6 inch Transit between 13<sup>th</sup> St. and School Bus Rd. With an additional 2000 ft between School Bus Rd. and 4<sup>th</sup> St. (running through the pastures.)
- Priority #2 - be (second page #2) - #2. North Burk St. 2500 ft of 8 inch needs to be run between 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. and Central. This new line would replace a 4-inch system; a 2-inch system and a lot of ¾ inch galvanized main lines (some going through private property) and would allow for fire hydrants in this area.
- Priority #3 - be (page 3 #1) - #1. West 1<sup>st</sup> St. 500 ft of 8 inch to loop system.
- Priority #4 - be - all galvanized pipe is to be replaced.

Motion to approve top four priorities was made by Bill Greenwood. Seconded by Dennis Bigelow; all were in favor, motion carried.

### **3. Update on Drought Conditions and Towns Move to Stage 2 of the Drought Plan**

Bill Greenwood and Kim Holaway agreed that a revision be made on page 8 of the System Water Plan – Drought Stages – under the table in the last sentence: *When movement to another stage is determined by the Utilities Board, this recommendation will be forwarded to the ~~Eagar Town Council~~ MAYOR for approval.*

#### **B. WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Milt Nelson said that nothing has changed. Have not heard from ADEQ. Bill Greenwood said to bring it back in August's meeting.

#### **C. PUBLIC WORKS / ADMINISTRATIVE FACILITY REPORT**

##### **1. Discussion of the 2007-08 Utility Budget**

Tabled to August's meeting.

#### **D. OTHER DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

##### **1. Discussion and Consideration of Rehabilitation and Maintenance of Ignacio Drive**

For years Mr. Tromley has said that Ignacio Drive did not belong to Town, but when a fence was going to be built Bruce Ray researched it and found out that Ignacio Drive does belong to the Town. Also, Wye Dr., Aztec, and Bloomfield belong to the Town.

Elwin Browning said we could A/B Ignacio Drive, but to get the full width we would have to move utilities that are in the middle of the road.

Dennis Bigelow asked if Ignacio Drive had been surveyed? Bruce Ray said a survey would be good as he was not sure road is where it is supposed to be.

Dennis Bigelow asked how long the road is? Bruce Ray said approximately 1200 feet.

Bill Greenwood said that the new apartments have brought the issue to the forefront.

Motion was made by Dennis Bigelow to approve surveying, move utilities as necessary and lay down crushed asphalt on Ignacio Drive, Wye Drive, Bloomfield Avenue and Aztec Avenue. Seconded by Bill Greenwood; all were in favor, motion carried.

## **2. Update on Wind Energy**

Bill Greenwood talked about the possibility of a wind site. Informed committee that NAU has been testing for site. We need to have NAU do a wind study and an overall plan for sustainability. We need a 60 ft. wind tower for a yearlong study. NAU is out of 60 ft. towers and to buy our own wind tower it would cost approximately \$8,000. NAU's original quote for the study was \$5,000. We need the wind study for loans and grants. Part of problem with Steve Hall's power plant is that it was not on a grid. He needed it directly on grid. Where the wind site will be is only 1 ½ miles from grid. Governor signed a bill that states all electric companies have to get 20% of their energy sources from alternative sources. Navopahce Electric is changing their attitude about alternate sources.

Kim Holaway is writing a grant for \$15,000.00. Kim will have information for grant at August meeting. Grant isn't due until end of August.

Bill Greenwood said that Global is reviewing their waste energy proposal. It will involve Blue Hills in the study. We have space to put solar panels (120 acres). We could have our own energy site. And finance our town through energy, not taxes.

## **5. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Monday, August 6, 2007 at 12:00 p.m.

## **6. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Dennis Bigelow moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:45 p.m. Seconded by Steve Heap; all were in favor.

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Chair Kim Holaway