

Minutes for Wild Wings County Service Area Advisory Meeting

Wednesday, August 2, 2017

Wild Wings Nest

The meeting was called to order by Scott Picanso at 6:37 PM. Committee members present were Mark Ullrich, Lachi Richards, Dan Rott, and Beth Gabor was present from the County. No one was present from the Supervisor's Office.

INTRODUCTIONS:

Jeff Lambeth was introduced as the new Regional Manager for O&M. Jeff provided information about his education, qualifications and experience working in the water management field. He described himself as a "problem fixer".

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

A homeowner described her concern with a pond that sits near her home. She feels that the pond is in need of attention and requires cleaning. Although she did not complain about odor, she felt that the pond was unsightly and a potential draw for unwanted animal life. (Beth explained that the County had engaged the Yolo County Flood Control District to address issues with pond maintenance and that the pond in question would be cleaned as soon as District personnel could schedule time for this work.

UPDATE FROM THE OFFICE OF SUPERVISOR REXROAD: No report.

MINUTES:

Minutes of the February 1, 2017 meeting were distributed for comments. A motion was made to accept the minutes with minor corrections by Lachi Richards and Scott Picanso and by a vote of those present the minutes were approved.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

OLD BUSINESS

Currently the Wild Wings Golf Course is responsible for operating the irrigation pump that takes the recycled water from the WWTP and sends it to the golf course for irrigation. National felt that it would be more efficient if the CSA and its water management provider take over this duty. The pump is in need of more regular maintenance and National O&M would be the more logical party to operate this aspect of the water system process. It was decided that Beth would bring this discussion back to the golf course for further review.

Report from Golf Course Meeting No report.

Financial Report: Beth Gabor passed out a financial report with budgetary information. A lengthy discussion ensued as several concerns were noted. She explained the budget needed further examination and clarification. Several budget items must be refined to identify

additional expenses. Since our last meeting, Beth met with Fiscal staff to resolve several outstanding issues. She also explained that the County is exploring an option for a user-friendly public interface for financial information as there are frustrations with the financial system's reporting tool. Other County CSAs are also providing input on financial reports which should result in better reports provided in the future. Beth also reported that the accounting staff she works closely with is on vacation and there were unresolved questions that needed her input. A final Adopted Budget should be ready by the end of September. Budget items can still be modified after October 2 by the Board of Supervisors should the need arise. The end of the fiscal year numbers will be further adjusted as the last of the year's bills come in for payment.

Status of the Canvas Back and Pintail Well Levels Lachi Richards provided an update of water levels and aquifer data. Comparing the 2016 numbers with those of 2017, we are a little better off than we were last year at a similar point. Testing by LSCE engineering firm began this past month at the monitoring wells. Erratic water level data readings showed the water level dropping significantly at the Canvas Back Well, when that well was not in operation. This issue might be caused by the use of water at similar times by the Flyers Club. She recommends contacting the club in an attempt to investigate further and coordinate pumping schedules, if Wild Wings and Flyers Club Wells are in-fact impacting each other.

Water and Waste Water Systems Report. In his first report to the Committee, Jeff Lambeth described waste water and water activities such as July Flows. The community used a total of 15.5 million gallons of water in July. He passed out attachments. He also addressed concerns and progress in problems associated with the Water Meters encoders. There were 144 units that were previously purchased but must be installed. An additional 200 units must also be purchased to complete full implementation. The new units must be installed by hand and will be an improvement over older units which were easily damaged when lawns were mowed. National reports that a 2 man crew will be required to do the job.

A discussion took place concerning the number of water boxes that are regularly filling up with water and potentially creating problems with the water meters. This is especially true while many meters are being read by hand and must be pumped out so that the data can be retrieved. This may also be an indication that there is gross over watering or broken lines throughout the development. National reported that they pumped out 52 boxes out of the 337 boxes that were inspected. If the water meter sending units are submerged for more than 6 months of the year the electronics can become corroded and stop working, thus requiring a new unit to be installed. If the boxes are kept dry then the units should last up to 20 years. Beth indicated that she is attempting to reach homeowners with the county newsletter to educate members of the community on water conservation and the potential cost to the homeowners in the future if their boxes remain flooded, and their equipment fails. Homeowners are responsible for fixes with broken or leaking lines on their property.

Jeff also addressed the issue of Air Diffusers and the maintenance that is required. O&M is optimistic that their efforts in this area are moving ahead successfully. The new Air Diffusers and RAS/WAS handling lines are being replaced at the WWTP and this should result in better operation of the plant going forward.

Capital Improvement Plan Beth provided an update. Most of the plan involves deferred maintenance. A well Sounder is being purchased and is expected to improve well operations. Other priorities are being identified and more changes and modifications are expected to refine and improve operations. A preliminary report was provided that displayed completed projects as highlighted in yellow.

LSCE Contract Update The LSCE contract work began last month with the sampling of the 3 monitoring wells located at the Canvas Back Well Site. Samples were collected and taken to the lab for a water quality analysis. Continued work by LSCE to assess the conditions for both wells is on hold until National is able to finish their outstanding maintenance items on their list.

Engineer's Fee Report Beth reported that an engineering firm has been contracted to begin work on the Engineer's Fee report.

Yolo County Ground Water Management Agency Lachi stated that she contacted the agency and they didn't have our well level data but are interested in getting our information so that it can be entered into the county data base. Initially it appears that our water well status is not as healthy as the rest of the local basin area. September 18 is the next meeting of the Agency and we are invited to attend. Lachi mentioned that evidently, Yolo County's ground water management plan is receiving statewide recognition for its workable structure and the harmonious interaction of constituent groups and stakeholders.

Lachi also reported that Wild Wings area is being represented by the county at-large representative. There are multiple stakeholders on the board and each entity has to pay a fee to join in order to fund the activities of the organization. Fees ranged from \$100,000 to \$5,000. We are welcome to join the public work groups. Beth will look into coordinating a meeting between the CSA and the County representative for Wild Wings.

Ponds Update A report on this item was deferred to the next meeting as there should be more information to report as the process to address the problem is fluid with action expected by the next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting: October 4, at 6:30pm