

COUNTY WATER DISTRICT OF BILLINGS HEIGHTS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

June 8, 2016

The June 8, 2016 board meeting was called to order by President Wynn Pippin at 6:01 p.m. at 1540 Popelka Drive, Billings, MT.

Board Members: Wynn Pippin, Jim Miller (absent), Bud Dunham,
Cliff Jones, Jon Muessig, and Donna Dinsmore (absent)

Also present: Duke Nieskens, General Manager
Suzie McKethen, Board Secretary

Randy and Paula Adams attended the board meeting. They live at 2507 Alexander Road. The District is currently putting in a transmission main on Alexander Road. Properties along Alexander Road have the option to Buy-in and Annex into the District. Randy gave an overview of the history of his dealings with the District. Randy gave the Board a handout of the costs associated with developing and re-platting the property. Randy has had many discussions with Gary (Project Manager for Western Municipal Construction (WMC) about WMC putting in two services as a payment for WMC using their property as a staging area. Paula handed out pictures of the condition of their property after WMC used their property. The Adams's would like the Board to waive the Buy-in costs. The Board asked the Adams's several questions. Once the Adams's left the meeting, the Board discussed what options the District had in this situation. It was decided that the By-laws clearly state what our obligations are; and if we waive the buy-in for them, what happens for all the customers who have abided by the By-laws? Duke will contact our Attorney, Randy Nelson to draft a letter stating the District's response to the Adams's request.

- **May Minutes for Approval**

Motion: Cliff Jones

Motion carried: 3-0

Second: Jon Muessig

- **May Prepaid Bills for Approval**

Motion: Jon Muessig

Motion carried: 3-0

Second: Bud Dunham

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- **Manager's Report – Duke Nieskens**

- Rolling Hills pump station had some motor failures, so we were doing to using the jockey pump. #1 motor pump failed, and was 32 years old. Check valve had an impeller bolt stuck in it. #2 check valve broke also. We bought a \$1000 15hp motor and check valve. We will have a back-up for both going forward.
- Oxbow transmission line will be flushed and chlorinated this week.
- Town Pump will be putting a new business on Swords Lane, and another on the former Reiter's Marina on Main Street.

- There is talk of a new development behind Walgreens, north of McDonalds. Possibly a Goodwill store.
- Bench Project is progressing. It has been a very difficult project with the other utilities crossing our water main. The other issue is they jump from one end of Bench, to the other end.
- The City of Billings water treatment plant is being remodeled.

- **Old Business:**
 - None

- **New Business:**
 - Duke handed out the Proposed Wage and Salary review. This discussion will be tabled until the July meeting. The handout will be mailed to Jim and Donna.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Jon Muessig. Bud Dunham seconded. The motion carried 3-0. President Wynn Pippin adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Suzie McKethen, Board Secretary

Wynn Pippin, President