



Board of Trustees
Minutes of Special Meeting
Thursday, May 21, 2009
12:00 P.M.
Board Room
Minden-Gardnerville Sanitation District
1790 Hwy. 395
Minden, Nevada

Board Members Present:

Jerome Etchegoyhen
Ronald Wilcks
O.P. Brown, Jr.
Mark Dudley
Michael Henningsen

Staff Members Present:

Frank Johnson
April Burchett
Sarah King
Bruce Scott

Others Present:

Richard Peters
Craig Olson
Paul Cockrell

Board Members Absent:

None

Meeting called to order at 12:00 p.m.

Public Hearing for Tentative Budget Fiscal Year 2009-2010 -- Frank Johnson presented the final budget for fiscal year 2009-2010, reported that the tentative budget was approved by the State, and no changes were being proposed for the final budget. **Motion by O.P. Brown, Jr. to adopt the final budget for the fiscal year 2009-2010 with at tax rate of 0.1224.** Seconded by Ronald Wilcks. Motion carried unanimously.

Grease Digestion and Power Cogeneration Project Cost Estimate – Bruce Scott explained that the grease digestion and power cogeneration projects were submitted as separate projects for federal stimulus funding. MGSD has been approved for an interest-free loan of \$1.25 million for green project funding through the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act. Although the Board approved the grease digestion portion of the project at the regular board meeting on May 5th, the funding will cover both phases of the project. Bruce also explained that there are some questions the State hasn't answered about bidding and funding requirements, but he anticipates having answers later in June. He requested the Board pass a resolution to proceed with the funding without actually approving or accepting the loan money at this time. Discussion followed regarding retaining KG Walters for the project or putting the project out to bid with the possibility of having two contractors onsite. Bruce stated that this was one of the questions the State needs to answer. Discussion also followed regarding funding alternatives. **Motion by O.P. Brown, Jr. to approve the resolution to proceed with the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act funds in the amount of \$1.25 million and to formally notify Nevada Division of Environmental Protection that MGSD is interested in moving forward with the grease digestion and power cogeneration project.** Seconded by Michael Henningsen. Motion carried unanimously.



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Anaerobic Digester Project - Frank Johnson reported that Digester 1 is currently being cleaned, and Craig Olson reported that the new digester is online and Digester 2 will be cleaned after the cleaning is finished on Digester 1. Craig felt that there are approximately two months left until project completion.

Request for Special Meeting to Consider Project at Muller Lane - Frank reported that a letter had been received from R.O. Anderson Engineering requesting a special meeting on June 15th for a master plan amendment for a commercial development located at the intersection of Muller Lane and Hwy. 395. Bruce Scott discussed two other master plan amendments proposed within in the district, one for the Peri property at Pinenut and Hwy. 395, and one for Edgewood Company for a retail and public facility development south of Buckeye Road. Bruce reported that he wrote a letter on the Muller Lane project stating that the project was outside MGSD's service area boundary and the Board needed to discuss the potential to service the project. Bruce and Frank both stated that they would not be available to meet on June 15th. Bruce recommended a special meeting for this item, so the Board could give their full attention to the project and to consider whether it would be feasible for MGSD to serve the project. Discussion followed regarding the need for lift stations for the project, the ability by MGSD to provide service to all potential projects currently within the service area boundary, and the possibility of setting a precedent by providing service to projects located outside the current service area boundary. The Board directed MGSD staff to contact R.O. Anderson Engineering to obtain other possible dates for a special hearing for this project.

Minden Gateway Center - Frank and Bruce reported that the Holiday Inn Express has opened for business, but the remainder of the project is still unfinished. There are efforts by the County and the Town of Minden to work with the bankruptcy court to finish the access and utility improvements.

Biosolids Disposal - Discussion followed regarding the status of the Bently permit for biosolids disposal. Frank reported that he and Marvin Tebeau had discussed this with NDEP, and the status is unchanged.

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Approved _____ Date _____ By _____