



Board of Trustees
Minutes of Regular Meeting
Tuesday, October 4, 2011
6:00 P.M.
Board Room
Minden-Gardnerville Sanitation District
1790 Hwy. 395
Minden, Nevada

Board Members Present:

Michael Henningsen
Ronald Wilcks
Mark Dudley

Staff Members Present:

Frank Johnson
April Burchett
Sarah King
Bruce Scott

Others Present:

Nick Koropchak
Rene Hoogendijk

Board Members Absent:

O.P. Brown, Jr.
Raymond Wilson

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Claims Review and Approval -- The claims were reviewed by the Board and questions were answered by Frank Johnson. Discussion followed regarding a nearly-completed power cogeneration facility at the Lockwood landfill, as well as adjustments to MGSD's grease receiving schedule. **Motion by Ronald Wilcks to approve the claims for September, 2011 in the amount of \$66,143.05, and to approve the claims paid during September, 2011 in the amount of \$85,694.62.** Seconded by Mark Dudley. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes of September 6, 2011 – The minutes of September 6, 2011 were reviewed by the Board. **Motion by Mark Dudley to accept the minutes of September 6, 2011.** Motion seconded by Ronald Wilcks. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment – Nick Koropchak with the Carson Valley Reforestation Foundation reported that they have planted trees along the highways in the valley. The trees are fed by a drip line and the water is donated by the Settelemeyer family, at about one acre-foot per year. They would like to plant trees south of Genoa to Muller Lane, but there is a problem with water supply. It has come to his attention that MGSD has effluent water in the vicinity that is currently used by ranchers. He would like to know if the Foundation could use some of the effluent for watering. Frank Johnson and Bruce Scott explained that the effluent is legally contracted to 3 parties for both the current and future supply. Bruce outlined a couple of issues with respect to allowing the use of MGSD's effluent: agreement of one of the contracted



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users to allow use of their allocated water, and approval by NDEP to allow use of the water outside of the fence area. Mr. Koropchak asked about golf course irrigation, but MGSD does not deliver effluent to golf courses, MGSD's effluent is approved for agricultural use. Discussion followed regarding the disinfection requirements of the effluent from MGSD. Bruce explained that MGSD's water is not drinkable. The Board felt that it would be a great solution to watering of the trees, if approval can be obtained from the ranchers and the state. The Board felt that Mr. Koropchak should first meet with Adele Basham at NDEP to see if NDEP would allow use of MGSD's effluent within the right-of-way. Discussion followed regarding flow pressure, and the frequency and duration of watering of the trees.

Engineer's Report – Bruce Scott reported that he is working with MGSD legal counsel regarding the statutory authority of the GID's. Bill Peterson should have his opinion ready by the November meeting.

Biofilm Management, Inc.: Bruce and Frank have been working with the representatives of the new owner of the old Syncon building at the corner of Lucerne and Ironwood, with respect to building modifications and pretreatment of chemical constituents. Once Biofilm Management submits a list of constituents, RCI will determine if pretreatment will be needed. Discussion followed regarding the status of the proposed pretreatment ordinance. Bruce will make sure that completion of the ordinance becomes a priority.

District Manager's Report – Frank Johnson reported on the following projects:

Plan Review Fee: Frank reported that MGSD currently does not charge for plan reviews, except for RCI's charges. He is getting a backlog of plans for projects that are never completed. He would like to put a limit of 120 days on plan submittals, after which point a re-submittal with a re-review fee would be required. The Board asked why we don't just charge a review fee up front. The Board directed Frank to make a further presentation of alternatives and costs at the November meeting.

EDU Allocations: 0.7 EDU's were allocated during September.

Heat Loop System: The heat loop system design should be nearly completed by the November meeting.

Douglas County Education Foundation Annual Fun Run: The Douglas County Education Foundation has requested the use of the Park Ranch access road for their annual fun run. There have been no problems with their use in the past, so Frank approved their request. The Board concurred.

Continuity of Operations Plan: It has come to Frank's attention that the Department of Homeland Security and NRS 239c.260 requires all political subdivisions to have a continuity of operations plan in the event of a natural or manmade disaster. Frank is working with Tod Carlini at the East Fork Fire



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District to obtain the paperwork and complete the submittal to the Department of Homeland Security. He will have more information for the Board at the November meeting.

Secretary's Report – There was no secretary's report.

Public Comment – Rene Hoogendijk was here from Leadership Douglas County and found the meeting enlightening. Frank offered to give him a tour of the plant. Rene asked if there is a regional plan for septic tank use with respect to groundwater. Bruce felt that a plan would be a good idea, but MGSD does not have the authority to push the issue. Discussion followed regarding septic and groundwater issues in various areas of the Valley.

Board Comment – The Board expressed their gratitude to the MGSD staff for an impressive job at the BBQ. Bruce stated that the attendees he spoke to were very interested in the project. Frank reiterated to the Board that MGSD staff did a great job preparing for the event.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Approved _____ By _____
Date