

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Board Chairman Bill Finney. All Board members, Peter Grant, Edith Mastne, Joe Riehl and Henry Schwartz, were present. Also present were Budget Committee members Jim Mastne, Frank Haynes and Sherwood Davis; Supt. Vance Hubbard, Ass't Supt Randy Stark, Marc Caldwell; Cloudy Sears and Klaus Heyne from the Guardians of Larch Mt., Bill Maxson and lawyer Phillip Grillo, Dist Lawyer Tom McPherson, Alan Smart of the USFS and District Clerk Carol Quinn.

The minutes of the last regular Board Meeting and the minutes of the special Board Meeting held March 25 were read and approved as printed.

Chairman Finney advised the Board that he and Mr. Stark had met with Forest Service personnel on April 7 to review and evaluate public comment submitted to the USFS regarding the pending decision of public access and use of the watershed area. He felt that the Forest Service was very cooperative and responsive to the District request to be involved in the decision process and appreciated the opportunity.

Mr. Smart reported that the SOLV cleanup on April 11 was successful. About 100 people participated at the Larch Mt. site and a lot of garbage was collected. However, there is still a lot left. A 40-cubic yard dumpster was filled with trash and garbage, 2 30-cubic yard dumpsters were filled with tires and 1 was filled with metal with another partially filled. Off Road 180 on the crest between the north and south forks of Gordon Creek there were some sprayers and a bucket found that appeared to contain some toxic chemicals. There were wrapped and didn't appear to have leaked. They are being tested by Riedel Environmental Services for analysis and disposal.

Mr. Grillo addressed the Board for his client regarding the letter written proposing that the Maxsons pay \$8,000 toward completion of the line extension on Knieriem Road and the District provide any additional funds should it be necessary to continue to extend the line across their entire parcel of land to service any customers farther down the road. The Maxsons are prepared to file a lawsuit if an agreement cannot be reached. The Board went into executive session to discuss this proposal. The District's lawyer advised the Board that to be cost effective it might be best to accept the offer because the litigation would likely cost more regardless of the outcome of the court decision than it would cost the District if it was necessary to continue the line extension an additional 890 feet across the property. Mr. Hubbard advised the Board that the distance from the end of the present line to the far side of the Maxsons' property is 2,340 feet. Mr. Hubbard recommended that the Board require that the line cost be figured on a per foot basis rather than a set amount of \$8,000. The distance to the point where the Maxsons meters would be installed is 1,450 feet and Mr. Hubbard estimated the cost would be \$8,840.00 including digging costs of \$1.50 a foot and 4 inch pipe at \$1.79 a foot plus fittings. This amount does not include connection and deposit fees. Mr. Grillo and Mr. Maxson returned to the meeting and Mrs. Mastne moved the District offer a proposal that Mr. Maxson pay for 1,450 feet of line extension for an estimate of \$8,840.00 and that the District would provide the labor for laying the pipe. Mr. Grant seconded. Passed. Mr. Grillo and Mr. Maxson stepped out of the meeting to discuss this proposal.

While they were gone the Board read a letter from Kathy Lowe requesting a leak adjustment. Mr. Grant moved that the bill be adjusted to the

average amount of the last six months bills. Mrs. Mastne seconded. Passed.

Mr. Heyne notified the Board that he was disappointed that there was not more support from the Board and District personnel at the cleanup. He had expected to have the District pickup available to winch up a couple of car bodies from over the bank but it didn't come. Mr. Finney advised Mr. Heyne that the next time the District would make sure that the truck was available.

Mr. Grillo and Mr. Maxson returned to the meeting and accepted the proposal provided that upon meeting with the digging contractor there was not a large increase in digging costs. Also, if the estimate is high, the Maxsons would be billed for the cost not the total estimate. Mr. Grillo will submit an agreement form to Mr. McPherson for review.

Mr. McPherson advised the Board further that the contract dispute between Emery & Sons and Gresham Sand and Gravel appears to be at an impasse. He advised them that the District was not interested in becoming involved in their disagreement. Mr. Stark asked if both parties might be interested in mediation. Mr. McPherson said he would suggest it.

Cloudy Sears addressed the Board regarding her proposal to the USFS to have soil samples taken at the quarry site. The Forest Service agreed that some sampling does need to take place but have not yet decided how and what to test for. She said that Mr. Burgard (who had prepared a test recommendation letter and summary submitted both to the USFS and the District) suggested that it was most important to test for the first 12-15 hydrocarbons and second for toxic metals. Mr. Smart indicated that to test for everything on the list would be very costly. Once a decision is made concerning a methodical way of what and how to sample perhaps several interested persons including a District employee and Board member could accompany those individuals to the sample site. Ms. Sears also requested that the Board consider requiring the District to keep a formal incident and report notebook/log of any incidents in the watershed area of which they are notified that could impact quality and quantity of the water including fire, erosion, garbage dumping and disposal of toxic materials. The Board discussed how this could be accomplished--perhaps a sign could be placed asking that if the public finds anything of a foreign nature to the area, the District be notified and have the phone number listed. She requested that the USFS also participate and keep a log and that the two agencies would notify each other when and if such incidents occur. Mr. Grant moved that the District start keeping an incident log. Mr. Riehl seconded. Passed.

At 9:30 p.m. Mr. Mastne called the Budget Committee meeting to order. There was no public comment. The Budget Committee had met with the Board of Commissioners, as announced at the last Budget Committee Meeting, in executive session at 6:30 p.m. to discuss personnel salary and benefits. Mr. Mastne proposed accepting the budget as submitted by the Budget Officer with the following changes. The Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent would each receive two percent raises; the utility worker would receive a raise of \$1.25 an hour, and the District clerk would receive a raise of five percent because she does not participate in the District health insurance benefits program. The health benefits program would be expanded to include vision care. The Capital Outlay fund would be lowered by \$20,000 in equipment because the Committee would not approve the purchase of a new pickup. Also the District would be allowed to purchase an air compressor for no more than \$300.00 and a welder after submitting bids. The District would be allowed to purchase one cellular phone to be installed in a truck in order to be able to contact the fellas in the field. Mr. Davis moved that the Budget be approved with the changes indicated. Mrs. Mastne seconded. Passed. Budget Committee meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m. Board meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.