

**Corbett Water District
Regular Monthly Water Board Meeting**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Jeff Grover. All Board members, James Mastne, Sandra Redfern, Joe Riehl and Henry Schwartz were present along with Board member elect Ed Kalberg. Also present were two visitors and staff members Marc Caldwell, Torey Redfern, Superintendent Randy Stark, and District Clerk Carol Quinn.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved as printed.

Election certificates were presented to Ed Kalberg, Jeff Grover, and Henry Schwartz for the positions they won on the Board of Commissioners in the March election. Each person was elected to a four-year term effective July 1, 1999. Mr. Kalberg, Mr. Grover, and Mr. Schwartz were sworn into office.

Mr. Stark presented his work report. He notified the Board that Dick Rogers Construction had moved equipment in last Friday and has started work on the Hurlburt-Ellis Road project. They will use ductile pipe where there is stress such as at intersections and hydrants. They plan to do about 500 feet a day and will do about 3000 of line. Mr. Stark talked with Tom Layton of the Fire Dept. Since both the fire district and the water district have budgeted for a hydrant, two hydrants will be installed on the 8-inch line at no additional cost to customers.

At 8:00 p.m. the Budget Hearing was held. There was discussion. Mr. Mastne mentioned that the Board had moved to build a reservoir in November of 1998 and discussed borrowing money to pay for it. He is totally against the district purchasing a new truck. Mr. Riehl mentioned that he was sorry he missed the April meeting but that he had no problem with the overall budget.

Ms. Gideon commented that she had a problem with the budget and the comparison of pay scales. She was reminded that the Board approved the pay scales at its regular Board meeting February 9 and those were the figures used in the budget proposal.

Mr. Kalberg commented that he had spent several hours with Mr. Stark touring the entire district - source, treatment plant, reservoirs, pipe lines, etc. He was very impressed with system and the knowledge and commitment

required of the staff to keep it working. He explained that he believed Corbett to be a unique district and it would be difficult to compare with other districts because of the size, terrain, etc. However, as a citizen he wants committed people as staff who care about the district and who know how and where and what must be done to keep the district working. It is a massive system and one must compare intangibles as well as dollars and cents.

Mr. Stark explained once again the process of how the wage and salary scale was compiled. There was comment regarding the brakes on the dump truck wearing out. Mr. Redfern stated that regardless of whether the brakes on the dump truck or trailer were working properly, the dump truck was overloaded if it was carrying gravel and pulling the tractor. The Budget Hearing was closed.

Mr. Riehl moved that the Board of Commissioners pass a resolution to adopt the 1999-2000 Budget that includes the recommendations of the TSCC. Mr. Schwartz seconded. The Resolution passed with Ms. Redfern, Mr. Riehl, Mr. Schwartz and Mr. Grover voting in favor and Mr. Mastne opposed.

Mr. Stark explained that the District has spent more money than was originally anticipated in the Materials and Services section particularly in the mains and meters repairs and maintenance during the current budget year. Part of this is because of the addition of double check valves on any meters that were replaced during the year and part was because the staff repaired and replaced more than previous years. As a result of this, Mr. Stark asked that the Board move the \$30,000 from Operating Contingency to the Materials and Services account in the General Fund. Mr. Riehl so moved. Mr. Schwartz seconded.
Passed unanimously.

Mr. Riehl addressed the District and Board concerning his years on the Board. This will be his final meeting as a commissioner. He felt the District has accomplished a lot of things during his tenure including employee handbooks, revised rules and regulations, board member policy books. It has taken a lot of hours and hopefully will help in running district business in the future. The Board members and the staff members expressed appreciation to Mr. Riehl for his time, input, and work on the Board.

Mr. Mastne requested about 10 truckloads of dirt from the Hurlburt Road project, but doesn't want any rock or asphalt mixed with it. Mr. Stark informed Mr. Mastne that the dirt has rock and asphalt and the contractor is responsible for removing and disposing of the dirt.

Mrs. Freund arrived at 9:25 p.m. Mr. Freund commented that he approved of the cooperation of the fire district and water district in the installation of fire hydrants on new lines. Previous policy has required customers to pay for the hydrants and that will remain unless a new line is being installed. It is less expensive to place a hydrant when the construction is taking place. The construction project allows for the hydrant to be budgeted as part of the system improvement.

Mr. Riehl moved the bills be paid. Mr. Schwartz seconded. Passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.