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CORBETT WATER DISTRICT  
REGULAR MONTHLY WATER BOARD MEETING

JUNE 13, 1995

The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman Jim Mastne. Board members present were Bob Colelesser, Joe Richl and Henry Schwartz. Also present were Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Goodrich, Janet Johnson, Ed Hoke, Alan Smart, Kathy Hubbard, Supt Vance Hubbard, and Dist. Clerk Carol Quinn.

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

Mrs. Johnson spoke to the Board concerning working with the Water District on some type of environmental educational projects. She teaches first grade for the Corbett School District and teaches environmental education in other classes through fifth grade. She would like to incorporate the Gordon Creek Watershed as part of her curriculum with study and work projects. She has received a grant to apply to environmental education projects for K-5 grades. The High School also has a grant to use for work school projects on environmental education working with various community entities and groups. At this time Mrs. Johnson wondered if the Board and District would be interested in participating. She will be receiving information from the Skagit County School District in Washington regarding a curriculum of this type which they have developed. The Board was agreeable to working with her and she will be in contact with the District in the fall when school starts and she has more specific information and projects to discuss. Mr. Hubbard mentioned that since the District has been working for several years to try to keep people out of the streams in the watershed, it might be better to study a stream that directly in the watershed. The Portland Public Schools has an area off Larch Mt. Road that they use that has a good trail system, etc. that uses Buck Creek which does not effect the watershed. Also it would be important to contact the Forest Service. Mrs. Johnson said she has already contacted the FS and they are agreeable to working with her. They have several programs developed for educational purposes. Mrs. Johnson advised the Board that the first grade had just visited the Treatment Plant and were very enthused and learned a lot.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Goodrich of Cascade Equipment commented that they had enjoyed working with Vance on the project and that it had been one of their most enjoyable jobs. Mr. Hubbard said the job had been completed satisfactorily and that the normal procedure is to hold a 5% retainage for 30 days, but otherwise the contract should be paid.

Mr. Smart said he had been in contact with BPA and said that they are going to help them spread the gravel on the road under the power line towards the western boundary of the watershed. It will probably be done in September and take a couple of days. There have been some drainage pipes installed. This will complete the project that was started last fall but was delayed by bad weather. At this time the FS is still looking for funding for the cleanup of the Borrow Pit and Site B. There is a lot of interest even as far as the Washington DC office. At this time there is no conclusion of exactly what they will be do. They are looking at the recommendations from CES. The surface water will continue to be monitored. They may cover the area and revegetate it. It is not in the highest risk category so it does not qualify for super fund financing. The trespassers mentioned last month have been cited, but the case is not yet settled. The previous case from last fall has resulted in some of the fine being paid there may be additional charges in that case.

The Budget Hearing was held. TSCC has certified the Budget as approved. There will be no public comment regarding the budget.

The Board received letters from Sturm Berry Farm and Corbett Christian Church requesting leak adjustments. Mr. Schwartz moved that the District adjust the bills to the six month average. Mr. Colclessler seconded. Passed.

There was discussion concerning additional payment to Lee Engineering for the Water Study Report which involved more time than originally planned and whether the District should order additional copies to have available for the public to purchase. It was estimated that 10 copies would cost about \$250.00. Mr. Hoke said he would like to purchase a copy and he knew a couple of people who would be interested. Since the report was so late, Mr. Riehl moved that the Board would not at this time pay any additional money to Lee Engineering for the report, but that the District should order an additional 10 copies at this time. These copies would be available for purchase at cost and if necessary additional copies could be ordered. Mr. Schwartz seconded. Passed. Mr. Hubbard advised the Board that there are a few errors in the report. The public may look at the report over the counter or pay a deposit to take it home for study or purchase a copy for keeps.

Mr. Hubbard advised the Board that it was a relief to get the HCRH project completed. The project went pretty good, the contractor was knowledgeable, his equipment and workers were good, but on the job he needed to be closely watched to insure that the digging and backfilling were done according to the requirements. There were also some safety concerns and overtime concerns. Mr. Hubbard suggested next time we have a bid project, we check at least three references of previous employees.

Mr. Hubbard also notified the Board that it will be necessary to replace some line on Clara Smith Road even though it had not been earmarked in this budget. The 1 1/2 inch line needs to be replaced by a 4 inch line since we cannot meet the current flow need. The District should be able to do the work. Also, we may have to install a 1 1/2 inch meter for a new customer on Wand Road which may cause some problem at the reservoir, but during high use he will not be able to do any irrigating.

Newly elected Board members, Bob Colclessler, Joe Riehl, and Henry Schwartz were sworn in.

Mr. Colclessler moved the Board pass a Resolution to Adopt the Budget as approved by the Budget Committee. Mr. Riehl seconded. Passed.

Mr. Riehl moved that the Board transfer \$1,000 from the Contingency in the current general fund budget to cover the additional costs of Capital Outlay and the additional amount necessary, \$13,000, to cover the additional costs of Personnel Services. Mr. Schwartz seconded. Passed.

Mr. Mastne advised the Board that the ORS regulation regarding the Sanitary District authority in the watershed can't be applied to our Board and Gordon Creek Watershed.

Peter Grant arrived at 9:20 p.m. and was sworn in as a newly elected Board member effective July 1, 1995.

Mr. Colclessler advised the Board of some of the main accomplishments in the eight years that Edith Mastne has served on the Board. Her term expires June 30, 1995.

Mr. Colclessler moved that the bills be paid. Mr. Riehl seconded. Passed.

Mr. Schwartz moved and Mr. Colclessler seconded a resolution to put Workers Comp Insurance with SDAO. Passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.