

The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman Bill Finney at 7:30 p.m. Board members present were Peter Grant, Edith Mastne, Joe Riehl and Henry Schwartz. Also present were USFS Rep Connie Athman, Jim Mastne, Dana Smith, Cloudy Sears, Supt. Vance Hubbard, Ass't Supt. Randy Stark and District Clerk Carol Quinn.

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

Mrs. Mastne moved that the slate of officers who served as Chairman, Vice-chairman, and Secretary last fiscal year be retained as officers for this current fiscal year through June 30, 1993. Mr. Grant seconded. Passed.

Connie Athman advised the Board that rehabilitation of the erosion site on the So. Fork under the powerline, Site A, will start next week and will take about a week to complete. She reported that the upper gate on Road 1520 was repaired last week and that permanent gates should be installed about the end of August or beginning of September. The permanent gates will be installed with better anchored posts. There has been increased surveillance on the weekends but no one has been caught. However, it appears there has been no damage or vandalism for the last couple weekends. The MOU process is beginning. The Forest Service has requested several copies of MOUs with water districts around Oregon and Washington. She proposed that some guidelines be taken from the Forest Service Rules and suggested that a few people hammer out the working details for the Board's review. She will be the FS representative and will use the expertise of other specialists within the FS.

Mr. Finney felt that the Board wanted to handle the MOU from a Board level and suggested that Mr. Mastne be included in the discussions in an advisory capacity for the Board. It will require time to work out the MOU with the goal being how the District can best serve Corbett so it can offer the best water to its customers. The Board announced that it will hold an executive session on Tues. Aug 18 at 7:30 p.m. or Wed. at 7:30 p.m. if Tuesday is not good for everyone. It will be at the Water District Office and there will be no votes taken or decisions made. Notification will be made.

Ms. Sears suggested that a public review of the MOU be held before it is finalized. The Board thought it would be a good idea to send a letter to the District's customers to let people know what the Board is doing, what it is planning, what is going on with the District and what will be going on as well as advising them that the treatment plant is working. Then, if the public has suggestions for the MOU, they could submit them in writing prior to the drawing up of the MOU rather than reviewing it after it has been approved.

Dana Smith asked the Board to consider an annexation of some property off Loudon Road. The Board said they had no objections; however, he would have to proceed with the annexation on his own with any other concerned people.

Ms Athman advised the Board that the FS is waiting for some interpretation of the test results from the quarry site. There were some high metal readings, but the interpretation of the analysis has not been received as yet.

The South Fork line is working. At the last reading just over 400,000 gallons had gone through the meter. It will be a major operation to instal a new line. Mr. Finney arranged to have a meeting with a representative from the Division of State Lands, Bill Park, and Patrick Keeley of the Oregon Division of Fish and Wildlife this coming Thursday to see the area and advise them of our intentions. At that time the District can also be informed of the requirements by their departments. Probably the earliest work could begin on the new line is spring. Most of the land belongs to Frank Lumber. There are a lot of big trees and valuable timber that would have to be taken out if equipment is used to put in the new line. If it must be done by hand, the District might be eligible to use prisoners

through a work release/community service work crew. The FS is going to be taking a stream survey of the creeks within the watershed in the next couple of weeks.

Mr. Stark advised the Board regarding cave-in protection and confined space entry requirements he learned after attending a seminar dealing with these issues recently. There have been laws since 1990 from OSHA that require that determination of soil type and type of shoring needed before entering a trench. OSHA considers all cave-ins predictable and preventable. At this time the District has no shoring. The Board voiced concern that the District have the safety items it needed and authorized the staff to order aluminum hydraulic shoring for working in the ditches. Mr. Stark also informed the Board that OSHA requires a gas monitor gauge before entering confined space. At this time the District uses a blower to insure a supply of fresh air.

At this time the District has no established Backflow Prevention Policy. Mr. Stark prepared a resolution that would establish such a policy. The Board will study the resolution until next meeting. Mr. Hubbard suggested that the Board approve contacting BMI Co. which specializes in set up and customer notification of a Backflow Prevention Program. The place to begin is with commercial and agricultural users who present the greatest risk. The schools have been contacted about the necessity of installing backflow prevention devices for their boiler systems. Mr. Hubbard will request a representative from BMI attend the next Board meeting.

Mr. Grant reported on the State Investment Pool. At this time he feels that funds insured with the FDIC are not particularly safe. Therefore, the State Investment Pool would probably be just as safe and the interest rate is higher. However, before making any definite decision, he would like to research it further and report again next month.

Mr. Riehl discussed with the Board the information he received from the recent Board Member Conference he attended. Each Board member was given a copy of some pertinent information he received and notes that he had taken. The conference was very helpful in defining the role of the Board member. He also advised the Board that the District needs to have a safety committee and monthly safety meetings with the District's Safety Officer in order to meet OSHA regulations. Such a program will be instituted immediately with Marc Caldwell appointed safety officer.

Mrs. Quinn requested a policy from the Board regarding a customer who has been living in the District with the account under a different name that now wants service in his name. However, the previous customer who would also be living in the residence under the new account left leaving a large bill. Previous history has shown bad credit and before hooking them up, Mrs. Quinn requested that she be given permission to increase the deposit required and collect the previously owed money. Mrs. Mastne so moved. Mr. Riehl seconded. Passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 p.m.