

**Steamboat Lake Water & Sanitation District
July 14, 2009 Board Meeting Minutes**

<u>Board Attendees:</u>	Kathleen Titus Bob Hulton	Jim Standish Hal Franke
<u>Guests:</u>	Rusty Baker Dawn Finch	Christine O'Connor Ken Finch
<u>Called to order:</u>	7:00 PM	<u>Adjourned:</u> 9:20 PM

Watering Restrictions

The two wells have struggled to keep the tanks full. As a result, during this dry summer, the Board voted to implement water restrictions to safeguard our fire-fighting capabilities. Homeowners present at the meeting expressed their concerns over the proposed watering restrictions. The Board was asked to clarify what “no watering” meant. The Board resolved to allow “limited” watering of flowerbeds, gardens, and new plantings of shrubs & trees. However, watering of turf is discouraged and gross overwatering of lawns is prohibited and will be enforced.

The water restrictions will be in effect from July 1st until September 15th, 2009. No oscillating sprinklers or automatic irrigation systems will be allowed. Residents may handwater gardens, flowerbeds, and new trees & shrubs. Low-water soaker hoses and drip irrigation methods will be allowed. Only hot tubs with recirculating pumps will be allowed, and no kiddie pools larger than 25 gallons are acceptable.

Jupiter Place Sewer Issue

The Board is investigating a sewer smell complaint on Jupiter Place. Preliminary thoughts are that it is a service line leak that is working its way to the surface.

Financials

Once the total costs of the new water treatment plant are known (settlement of property lawsuit, construction of plant, and operation costs), the Board will make a decision on whether to pay the costs from its cash reserves, issue a special assessment to homeowners, or a combination of both of these.

Maintenance Issues

Four hydrants have been recommended for replacement. The Board voted to replace two of these with funds from this year’s budget and defer replacing the other two until next year. The two hydrants to be replaced this year are located at the intersections of Neptune Place & Longfellow Way and Beaver Canyon Drive & Venus Place.

Water Treatment Plant Update

TCD has been selected as the general contractor for construction of the iron removal plant next to the new well on Lot 78. The Board will pay for the water treatment plant itself through a combination of its own funds and a grant from the State of Colorado. Costs related to the condemnation of Lot 78 shall not be paid for by any grant money.

Water Quality Update

Following the failed water quality report last month, the Board took aggressive steps to fix the problem. The system was shocked with a strong dose of chlorine to produce a residual concentration of 3.5 to 4.0 mg/liter. On July 11th, the hydrants were flushed around the District. Finally, 5 new water samples were to be taken from different parts of the system and resubmitted to Routt County.

Next Meeting

7:00 PM, Tuesday, August 11, 2009 @ Steamboat Lake Visitor Center