

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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MINUTES

FORT COLLINS-LOVELAND WATER DISTRICT

FEBRUARY 19, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Fort Collins-Loveland Water District was held on February 19, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., at 5150 Snead Drive, Fort Collins, Colorado 80525.

**1. Roll Call**

Present: Directors: James Borland, Dale Leach, Ron Ruff, William Dieterich and Michael Pruznick

Excused Absence:

Others Present: Chris Matkins, District Manager, Amanda Proctor, District Controller, Terry Farrill, District Engineer, Richard Raines, Water Resources, Scott Holwick, Lyons Gaddis & Kahn, Chris Pletcher, Civil Worx, and Peter O'Neill, Member of the Public

**Business Conducted:**

**2. Public Comment**

None

**3. Consent Agenda**

Several items were presented for the consent agenda. After discussion, it was:

**Moved by Director Ruff and seconded by  
Director Pruznick to approve the  
presented consent agenda.  
Motion carried 5-0**

**4. Legislation Review: 18CW3216**

Director Leach discussed the Reservoir Release Bill that passed in the spring of 2018 and the related water court case filed by Northern Water. The Board discussed how to address Director Leach's concerns with District water lawyer, Scott Holwick.

The Board asked Chris and Scott to meet with Northern Water to determine whether these concerns could affect the District's other water rights.

After discussion, it was:

**Moved by Director Pruznick and  
seconded by Director Dietrich to  
schedule a special Board Meeting to  
discuss 18CW3216 on Monday, February  
25, 2019 at 1:00 PM.  
Motion carried 5-0**

## **5. Golden Currant Waterline Replacement Update**

Chris Pletcher, Civil Worx, presented to the Board the three options to replace 16" ductile pipe that goes between Overland Trails and to the tanks. Chris stated that due to the soils having low resistivity (which is susceptible to corrosion) in the area, the first 1400' of the pipeline are projected to be replaced in the next 10 years.

Chris presented three options for replacement.

1. Short north line (approximate cost \$300,000)
2. New line to the South of the HOA through open space (approximate cost \$1M to 1.2 M)
3. Replace the line within the HOA easement (approximate cost \$750,000)

Chris also suggested to upsize the line from 16" to 20" waterline. The District General Manager confirmed that staff recommended the 'Southern Route' approach and that budget funds were adequate to cover this increased project cost.

After discussion it was:

**Moved by Director Dieterich and seconded by Director Ruff to approve the final design of the southern route and accept the presented Contract Modification No. 1 for Civil Worx for \$19,088.**

***Motion carried 5-0***

## **6. Petition of Inclusion**

Terry Farrill, District Engineer, presented two petitions of inclusion to the Board. The total acreage of both inclusions is approximately 27 acres.

After Board discussion, it was:

**Moved by Director Ruff and seconded by Director Dieterich to schedule the Petition of Inclusion for Public Hearing at the next regularly scheduled Board Meeting March 19, 2019.**

***Motion carried 5-0***

## **7. Group WTP Property Purchase IGA**

Chris followed up with the Board regarding the IGA for the purchase of land for a future group water treatment plant. District Attorney, Bob Cole, spoke with Severance regarding the annexation of the land. Severance does not plan on changing or overcharging on fees related to the plant.

Chris stated that due to the other Councils and Boards approving the IGA, we cannot get all the other changes the Board had requested in the IGA. The IGA needs to be approved as originally presented.

After Board discussion, it was:

**Moved by Director Pruznick and seconded by Director Dieterich to approve the original IGA.**

***Motion carried 5-0***

**8. Potential Purchase of Native Water**

Chris presented an opportunity to purchase approximately two shares of New Mercer. Chris presented and discussed an analysis of a cost evaluation compared to purchasing a CBT unit.

After Board discussion, it was:

**Moved by Director Leach and seconded  
by Director Dieterich to approve the  
purchase of the New Mercer shares.  
Motion carried 5-0**

**9. Review of Cost implications of Increased NISP Participation**

Amanda Proctor presented projected cash and investment balances and projected NISP assessments for three scenarios: current NISP participation (3,000 firm AF), 3,500 firm AF and 4,200 AF. The Board discussed the information presented and future debt issuance that may be necessary under the scenarios.

**10. First Amendment of Intergovernmental Agreement for Water Treatment Service Capacity (Early Debt Payoff)**

Chris presented a resolution to the Board regarding paying off the note payable with City of Fort Collins early. Chris stated that the Board needs to approve the resolution first, then the resolution will go to City Council for approval. The note is expected to be paid off in March. The City of Fort Collins was an excellent partner in this requested change and this item was a good example of collaboration.

After Board discussion, it was:

**Moved by Director Ruff and seconded by  
Director Pruznick to approve the First  
Amendment of Intergovernmental  
Agreement for Water Treatment Service  
Capacity.  
Motion carried 5-0**

**11. Managers Update**

**A. General Information**

Chris stated that for the SCWTA Plant expansion that Ditesco will be the project manager for approximately \$700,000.

Chris updated the Board on a project that will be done to replace the valve for the intake on Horsetooth by the Bureau of Reclamation in the fall. There will be 45 days when no water will be coming out of Horsetooth. We are currently exploring options to provide an alternate.

Chris stated that Arizona has joined Colorado in the Colorado River draught plan with voluntary cutbacks to sustain a dead pool in Lake Mead or avoid the Department of the Interior to step in.

Chris provided an update on the various ditch company annual meetings that he attended. Excellent progress is being made on discussions to enlarge the lateral filling that Overland Ponds from the Larimer No. 2 Ditch.