

Washington County Rural Water Advisory Board #1
Meeting Minutes
May 28, 2009

A meeting of the Washington County Rural Water Advisory Board was held at the Fort Calhoun City Hall, on Thursday, May 28, 2009. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Paul Oestmann at 7:02 p.m.

QUORUM CALL:

Quorum call was taken. The following members and individuals were in attendance:

<u>Advisory Board Members</u>	<u>Advisory Board Members</u>	<u>Others In Attendance</u>
<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	
Paul Oestmann	Jim Shields	Dick Sklenar
Mitch McGowan	Mark Welsher	Marty Thieman
Dennis Miller		

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Discussion was called for on the tentative agenda. It was moved by Miller, and seconded by McGowan, that the agenda be adopted.

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 3-0.

Voting Yea: Oestmann, McGowan, Miller
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: Shields and Welsher

OPERATIONS REPORT

Dick Sklenar provided information regarding events that occurred during the current Fiscal Year:

- Eight new customers were added during calendar year 2008. However, none have been received since last July.
- The rural water system received \$58,438 from capital facilities charge reimbursement from the Metropolitan Utilities District for the Highway 75 waterline project. Total cost of the project was \$125,679.
- M.U.D. increase their water rates 5% in 2008+ an additional \$375 per month for infrastructure replacement.
- The barrel of a fire hydrant cracked this past winter. The unauthorized use of the hydrant was not completely shut off.
- A consumer confidence report and annual newsletter was sent out to all consumers in April.
- A cross connection survey form was submitted to all consumers in May.

- The meter vault to Fort Calhoun, located along Highway 75, will be completely overhauled at a cost of approximately \$5900. This will occur before the end of fiscal year 2009.

There was further discussion by Advisory Board members regarding the economy and the slow growth in the area.

WATER USE AND REVENUE REPORT

It was mentioned by Dick Sklenar that accounted for water for fiscal year 2009 exceeds 92%. The integrity of the distribution system is still considered to be very good. Information regarding the financial status of the project was handed out at the meeting.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010

A draft of the budget for fiscal year 2010 was presented to the Advisory Board members. Dick Sklenar went over those line item that increased in excess of 10%. The proposed draft budget is approximately 4% less than fiscal year 2009. It was mentioned that the proposed budget provided for the purchase of several large pressure reducing valves to be kept on hand for immediate replacement in the future. Paul Oestmann stated that the budget was reasonable inasmuch as there is no intended purchase for a new vehicle and no major project construction was foreseen for fiscal year 2010. There was further discussion.

It was moved by McGowan, seconded by Miller, that the Advisory Board recommends to the District Board of Directors that the proposed budget for fiscal year 2010 be adopted.

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 3 to 0.

Voting yae: Oestmann, McGowan, Miller
Voting nay: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: Shields and Welsher

ADJOURNMENT: There is no further business, the meeting adjourned by acclamation at 7:58 p.m.