



January 20, 2011
Meeting Minutes of the Board of Directors

Directors Present: Wayland Anderson, Alan Berryman, Lisa Darling, Greg Dewey, Dennis Harmon, Kim Hutton, John Kolanz, Randy Rhodes and Kevin Urie

Directors Absent: None

1. CALL TO ORDER / INTRODUCTIONS

Lisa Darling, President of SPWRAP, called the SPWRAP Board of Directors Meeting to order at 1:00 pm at Northern Water. There was a quorum of Directors.

2. ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

One addition to the agenda: discussion of membership for City of Louisville. Items that Kevin Urie needed to report on were moved up in the agenda so Kevin could report on them prior to his leaving the meeting.

3. MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 17, 2010 BOARD MEETING

In the bullet point before item 9, Austin Hamre suggested striking the word "board"

MOTION: Randy Rhodes moved that the board approve minutes of the November 17, 2010 board meeting with one change (In the November 17, 2010 minutes, the word "board" should be struck when referring to a new position.) Kevin Urie seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by the directors present.

4. FINANCIAL REPORT

Dennis Harmon presented the SPWRAP financial report, including a financial statement from beginning of fiscal year through December 31, 2010. Dennis said the following bills needed to be paid:

- Pawnee Well Users water lease -- \$8,617.00
- Dinsdale Brothers well pumping power charges -- \$11,405.00
- Trout, Raley, Freeman, et al. for legal services (December) – \$1,884.10
- Duncan, Ostrander & Dingess for legal services (December) - \$305.55

MOTION: Greg Dewey moved that the board approve payment of the bills listed in the financial report. Wayland Anderson seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by the directors present.

Dennis Harmon stated that all checks are approved in advance. The list of checks that were approved via email since the previous board meeting in November is attached to these minutes. An audit of 2010 is in process by an independent accounting firm.

5. DISCUSSION OF MEMBERSHIP FOR CITY OF LOUISVILLE

Baseline Reservoir is in need of a 404 permit for rehabilitation work. Most of the water in the reservoir is for agricultural purposes except for 161 acre-feet used for municipal purposes, by Louisville, Lafayette and Boulder. Lafayette and Boulder are SPWRAP members, and their assessment is based on total treated water use. The question is whether Louisville needs to join SPWRAP. Kevin Urie and Deb Freeman have drafted a response for the board to consider. Discussion ensued. The board consensus was that Louisville needs to join SPWRAP with their assessment based on total treated water use.

6. UPDATE ON FINALIZING TAMARACK DECREE

Austin Hamre gave a report on the Tamarack Decree case. The trial has been set for July 2012. Disclosure deadline is set for September 2011.

7. CONSTRUCTION OF REMAINDER OF TAMARACK PROJECT

Richard Vail of CDOW reported that Levi Kokes of Crook, CO has been hired to operate the Tamarack project.

Suzanne Sellers presented a memo she authored regarding the build out of the CDOW Tamarack Ranch SWA Recharge Project and Species Conservation Trust Fund.

Discussion ensued about the need for the remainder of the Tamarack Project. Next steps discussed were:

- SPWRAP approval for expansion of Tamarack
- Operating Committee finalize scope.
- SPWRAP do an IGA with the State (DOW and CWCB) for the money and Northern Water for its staff to administer a contract with a third-party consultant.

Jon Altenhofen discussed the need for Tamarack expansion. Colorado's water requirement for the PRRIP continues to grow. The expansion of Tamarack would probably include construction of 6 wells and a pipeline. A "jack and bore" under I-76 may not be needed. Operating the project during free river in the winter can produce enough credits to make the project viable. Eventually, Colorado may be able to meet its needs with 60% of its obligation leased from other augmentation plans and 40% of its obligation from Colorado's dedicated projects.

It is clear that SPWRAP and the State believe expansion of Tamarack will further meet Colorado's obligation under the PRRIP. John Kolanz suggested that SPWRAP reaffirm its interest in expanding Tamarack with a resolution today. Austin can look back at previous agreements to see if any additional documents might be needed.

ACTION: The board consensus was to direct Austin Hamre to draft a resolution of SPWRAP's support of the Tamarack expansion and circulate it to the SPWRAP board members by email for approval.

8. SPWRAP ADMINISTRATIVE AND CORPORATE ISSUES

- REVIEW AND RENEWAL OF AGREEMENT WITH LOWER SOUTH PLATTE WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT (LOWER)

Joe Frank reviewed the annual report that he prepared documenting work accomplished by Lower in 2010 and suggestions for 2011. A breakout of time spent by Joe and Deanna Eskew for various items was included. Changes for 2011 will include:

- Administration for the Heybourne Project and the South Platte Lower River Group (SPLRG).
- Joe Frank will not be attending the Land Committee.
- Time spent on water committee and operating committee activities may move between administration and technical categories.

Austin Hamre had previously drafted a new 2011 agreement between SPWRAP and Lower and circulated it to the SPWRAP board via email.

MOTION: Greg Dewey moved that the board approve the 2011 agreement between SPWRAP and Lower. Dennis Harmon seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by the directors present.

- ESTABLISHMENT/DEFINITION OF A NEW POSITION, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Discussion on this item was postponed.

- DISCUSSION OF NEXT MEETING TO INCLUDE FIELD TOUR

Kevin suggested that if we want to do a field tour to make the tour in March instead of waiting until April. A full two days could allow us an evening and a morning to be in blinds. Kevin will draft an itinerary and circulate it to the board for consideration.

9. UPDATE ON PLATTE RIVER RECOVERY IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM (PRRIP) ACTIVITIES

Sira Sartori of the Executive Director's Office gave a brief report on PRRIP activities. The PRRIP, along with consulting firm EA Engineering, Science, and Technology, Inc., is studying the feasibility of using the Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District (CNPPID) canal for ground water recharge during the non-irrigation season and to deliver water to ground water recharge basins. The feasibility study is expected to be complete summer 2011 and a pilot/demonstration project could follow in the fall through spring. The PRRIP also continues to study feasibility of a reregulating reservoir located on the CNPPID system, which would be used to reduced deficits to target flows, augment

short duration high flow events, provide CNPPID hydrocycling mitigation, and potentially help regulate CNPPID irrigation season deliveries. Olsson Associates is performing the feasibility analysis. Choke point channel capacity continues to be a concern but phragmites removal is helping somewhat.

10. OTHER

Dennis Harmon asked for approval of the following from our accountant, Hunt-Spillman:

- Monthly accounting services (December) – \$95
- 2011 engagement letter stating monthly accounting services will increase to \$110 per month

MOTION: Alan Berryman moved that the board approve the Hunt-Spillman December invoice and the 2011 engagement letter. Kim Hutton seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by the directors present.

11. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 2:16 pm.

Next Meeting of the Board of Directors
April 21, 2011 (Maybe include a field tour in March)

Respectfully submitted,



Greg Dewey
Secretary, SPWRAP, Inc.