

PINE-STRAWBERRY WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS WORK SESSION

Thursday, October 1, 2015 at 5:00 pm

PSWID Administrative Office

6306 W. Hardscrabble Road

Pine, AZ 85544

I. CALL TO ORDER

Tom Weeks called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Tom Weeks

III. ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS

Conducted by Tom Weeks. Board members present: Tom Weeks, Maher Hazine, Richard James, Larry Bagshaw, and Paul Randall. Rus Brock and Trent McNeeley were absent. A quorum was present.

IV. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Todd Hamblin, Terri Hamblin, and Lanie Olszewski were at the meeting to comment about the backflow prevention program. Todd was their spokesman. He presented documentation about backflow requirements and stated that an air gap system was the most effective preventive measure. He received a letter from the district saying he needed a backflow prevention device a day after an article was published in the Payson Roundup. He stated that Brad Cole told him in July 2013 that his air gap system was adequate. The board will put the backflow prevention program on the October 15 agenda.

V. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Information/Discussion/Action regarding selecting the 2015-2016 capital projects. Presented by Sam Schwalm. Sam had reworked his PowerPoint presentation that he had prepared for the September 17 meeting to remove the duplicated projects. (Please see Exhibit A and listen to the audio for the entire discussion.) The board discussed mainly the infrastructure repair and improvement projects that were high priority. It was determined that we needed better cost estimates and more information to determine if we could move the liquid chlorination to the tanks instead of the wells, and that we needed to change the chlorination on the most expensive pumps first. The Strawberry Ranch 3 and McClendon pipelines need to be replaced. Whether the line replacement on Strawberry Ranch 3 needs to be extended to cover Juniper and Spruce should be determined. (The existing line is ABS pipe.) The Pine Ranch 1 & 2 zone realignment and booster pump project should be delayed until 2017 so the line replacement projects could be done first so the extra pressure won't burst existing lines. Also the funds for the booster pumps

should come from the pump/motor budget. The Strawberry View 1 booster pump project needs to be added to the existing tank replacement project before it goes to bid. The Strawberry Hollow 1 well must have a sand filter installed so it can be put back into production. The Canyon Tank needs a more detailed inspection before the board will proceed with any action on replacing or refurbishing it. The Milk Ranch 1 turbidity issue needs to be addressed. We also need to do valve installations so that water outages can be restricted to smaller areas. The proposed capital budget items are as follows:

1. Valves	\$40,000
2. Strawberry View I Phase 2	\$15,000
3. Strawberry Hollow 1	\$12,000
4. Milk Ranch 1	\$25,000
5. Chlorination investigation	\$5,000
6. McClendon Drive	\$28,000
7. Strawberry Ranch 3	\$150,000
8. Existing approved Capital Projects	\$134,000
9. Tank Replacement investigation	\$5,000
Total	\$414,000

Maher Hazine moved that the list above be approved. Larry Bagshaw seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously.

- B. Information/Discussion/Action regarding the chlorination of the wells/tanks. Requested by Tom Weeks. Another well failed recently when the pump went out due to the tablet method of chlorination. The issue of changing the method of chlorination to liquid was discussed above in the capital project discussion.
- C. Information/Discussion/Action regarding Agenda Items for the October 15 Meeting.
- 1) Backflow prevention program. Currently our attorney is looking at this and the district will stop sending out letters to customers.
 - 2) Maher Hazine requested the board relook at the issue of having a Facebook page.
 - 3) The board needs to look at the possibility of rolling up the water lines used for the bypass for the Pine Creek Rd project into lengths longer than 20 feet, so it can be reused with less welding for the McClendon Road and Circle Drive line replacement projects.
 - 4) Reimbursing the overcharges on the Pine Creek Rd project. Verde Engineering and EW Parker must both attend the meeting to discuss this.
 - 5) Joseph Brown of JB Contracting would like time to clear up any misunderstandings with his services and why the district stopped using his services.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Maher Hazine moved to adjourn the meeting. Richard James seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.