

Granite Oaks Water Users Association  
**Board Meeting Minutes**

January 28, 2009

Minutes approved: 3/30/2009 (via email)

**THOSE PRESENT**

Board Members

Dirk Stringham, President  
Jim Peoples, Vice Pres.  
Rusty Miner, Secretary  
John James, Treasurer  
Ken Adkins, Director

Contract Staff

Bob Busch, MDI  
Alan Kaplan  
Jim Muylee, Fann Environmental

Shareholders

Denis Lueders (until (9 am)  
Jeff Deming

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The meeting was convened at 8:00 by President, Dirk Stringham. Director Ken Mino was not present.

**1. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the October 22 were discussed. It was pointed out that board members had approved the October 22nd minutes via email on November 11<sup>th</sup> in order to take the approved minutes to the bank and add John James to the operational account.

**2. Financial Report**

Alan presented the financial results for the end of the 4th quarter 2008.

Revenues:	YTD \$ 232,757
Expenses:	YTD \$ 174,859
Income :	YTD \$ 57,897
Interest & Other Income :	YTD \$ 6,736

Revenues are under YTD budget by more than \$9,000. Expenses are about \$6,500 less than budget. Net Income is almost exactly as budgeted, but down about \$23,000 from last year,.

Allan reported that \$38,755 was added to cash in 2008, even with the addition of \$50,853.63 to capital accounts during the year.

**3. Operators Report**

Jim Muylee presented the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter operations report from Fann Environmental. He indicated that paint on the storage tanks is peeling, and the tanks need to be repainted. He asked for consideration to include repainting in the operations budget.

**4. Managers Report**

Bob reported that water use consultations have been completed and billed, and asked whether the board wished to continue the program in 2009. He reported that he, Jim Peoples and Rusty Miner had met at Post Oak to review record storage and had consolidated many of the meeting minutes and other records and have removed numerous old files for possible destruction. He indicated that the group had not been able to locate invoices or purchase records for many of the assets purchased by GOWUA. After some discussion, it was determined that the records would not be destroyed until the group (including John James) determines if any asset records can be located.

*Action Item: John James, Jim Peoples, Rusty Miner and Bob Busch will reexamine files to locate documents, invoices etc recording the purchase of assets.*

## 5 Old Business

### **a & b. Review of Action Items**

All action items have been completed except the consideration of additional improvements at Glenshandra. Estimates on possible improvements have not been provided by Ed Turney or Duane Gann.

### **c. Sale of Power Recorder/Trailer**

No bids or inquiries for the trailer were received from any members. Jim Muylee indicated Fann Environmental would purchase the trailer for \$1,200 as offered.

**Motion: John James moved to adopt a resolution (2009-1) authorizing the sale of the generator trailer to Fann Environmental for \$1,200. Ken Adkins seconded; motion carried.**

After some discussion about the power recorder, and the indication that Todd Mckinzie of Summit Controls would be interested in the recorder;

**Motion: Jim Peoples moved to adopt a resolution (2009-2) authorizing the sale of the Power Recorder to Todd Mckinzie of Summit Controls for \$1,200 with the understanding that Todd would continue to be available to work with GOWUA. Rusty Miner seconded; motion carried.**

### **d. CD's**

John James reported that he invested the \$80,000 authorized by the board in the October meeting in CD's with Edward Jones. Although he attempted to establish a Money Market account with M&I Bank, the additional documentation needed to open the account dissuaded him, and he placed the funds with Edward Jones @ 4.3%. He also indicated that the interest on CD's has been going to the MDI office, and has been deposited in the Operating Account. The board agreed with his recommendation to make a change and have the interest deposited in the Corporate Account.

### **e. Water Consultations**

The board discussed continuing the Water Consultant program in 2009. The general sentiment was to continue, as it is the only conservation effort sponsored by the company at this time. The possibility of obtaining feedback from the member/customer was discussed as a part of continuing the program in 2009. The City of Prescott has an ongoing program and may have a feed back form in use that we might be able to use as a guide.

*Action Item: Bob will work contact the City of Prescott's conservation representative to see if the City has a feedback questionnaire that might be helpful and will work with Dirk and Rusty to develop a form to obtain feedback from those receiving a consultation.*

## 6. New Business

### **a. Board Vacancy**

The board discussed the possibly filling the vacancy with Denis Lueders, who indicated that he is interested, although the meeting time conflicts with his schedule. The board discussed possibly

changing meeting times to encourage additional participation, but generally agreed not to make a change until specific circumstances warranted a change. Board members were encouraged to talk to friends and neighbors about the GOWUA Board. Rusty stated he would discuss Denis Lueder's interest further and report back to the board.

#### **b. 2009 Operating Budget**

The proposed budget for 2009 was discussed. Allan indicated that interest projected for 2009 to be about \$6,000 rather than \$2,000. It was agreed to add \$8,000 to the Repairs and Maintenance account for tank painting. Some discussion ensued regarding some capital projects: Improvements at the Glenshandra wash and fencing at Post Oak. It was agreed to handle the capital project separately from the operating budget.

**Motion: Jim Peoples moved that the board approve the 2009 operating budget with the changes noted. Ken Adkins seconded; motion carried.**

*Action Item: Bob will obtain pricing for fencing the entire Post Oak site with chain link and also with block.*

*Action Item: Ken Adkins will work with Jeff Deming to determine what should be done at Glenshandra wash, and develop an estimate.*

#### **c. Newsletter**

Dirk suggested that upcoming newsletters include more conservation articles rather than humor/jokes to fill up space. The board discussed several general topics for inclusion in newsletters such as tips for irrigation maintenance, the need to maintain home plumbing fixtures and other items. Board members will offer suggested articles for the newsletter.

Dirk summarized discussions by the Water Advisory Committee subgroup meetings he has attended. The general belief among members is that even without further development in the area, water tables will continue to drop without some recharge in addition to nature. There is a continuing need to educate people about the issue and to continue to conserve.

**Motion: Ken Adkins moved to adjourn the meeting. Rusty Miner seconded; Motion carried.**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10a.m.

**Next meeting: Wednesday, March 25th, 8:00am – Post Oak Site**

Minutes recorded by Bob Busch

**Submitted By:**

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**Secretary**