

Granite Oaks Water Users Association
Board Meeting Minutes--DRAFT
January 24, 2007

Board Members

Gerry Garcia - President
Jeff Deming - Vice President
Jim Peoples – Secretary
Dirk Stringham – Treasurer
Ken Adkins – Director
John James – Director
Ken Mino – Director

Contract Staff

Bob Busch
Allen Kaplan
Meg Kleinman
Mike Young—Fann Environmental

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:02 a.m. by President, Gerry Garcia. **PRESENT:** Gerry Garcia, President; Jeff Deming, Vice President;; John James, Director; Ken Adkins, Director; Ken Mino, Director; Bob Busch, Meg Kleinman, Allen Kaplan and Mike Young, Contract Staff. **ABSENT:** Jim Peoples, Secretary.

2. Motion by Gerry to approve the October 25, 2006 Board Meeting Minutes as written, seconded by Dirk, passed unanimously.

3. REPORTS

a. Financial Report: The Auditor's Reports were presented by Allen Kaplan and made part of the January Board Meeting Minutes.

Allen reported Revenue for 2006 up 3%, cash up \$46,000, interest income up, repairs and maintenance down. GOWUA finished the year with no legal/professional expenses.

The Board received a list of the assets purchased since the inception of GOWUA, showing the capitalized expenditures for each year.

b. MDI Report: Bob Busch

- Year-end total water pumped was 208.4 acre feet. If the GOWUA uses more than 250 ac.ft. for three consecutive years, ADWR would consider it a large water company and may other requirements and restrictions would kick in.
- The Board received a summary of all the business motions passed by the Board since 2004.
- ADWR is requiring every water company to design a comprehensive plan for dealing with drought conditions. The plan has three parts: System, Drought Preparedness and Conservation. Under ADWR rules, GOWUA is not required to submit the System portion of the plan, but must submit the other parts. The plan is due in January, 2008. Bob requested the Board review the draft and make corrections and suggestions.

Action Item: Bob will e-mail the draft plan to the Board for review.

- Meter testing continues.
- There have been a number of frozen pipes and meters. Bob will put a notice in the Fall 2007 Newsletter suggesting ways to minimize the chance of frozen pipes.

c. Fann Environmental Report: Mike Young

- The Board received a binder with a year-end record of activities.
- Fann Environmental would like the Board's input to set priorities for 2007.

- Meter verification will continue.
- They will insulate meters that are shallow to prevent freezing next winter.
- They will put together the Consumer Confidence Report and the ADWR Annual Report.
- The allowable arsenic level is 10 parts per billion. The GOWUA level is 2 parts per billion.
- Only regular water testing is scheduled this year. Arsenic testing is required once every three years.

d. Fire Hydrant Project: Dirk Stringham

- Twelve hydrants were scheduled to be installed. Two had to be abandoned when utility line were found to be obstructing the installation sites. Those two were returned to the company.
- The project bid was \$60,000. The final cost was \$56,352.
- A letter was received from the Fire Marshall recognizing the outstanding cooperation of the GOWUA in its commitment to increasing the area's total number of hydrants.

4. OLD BUSINESS

a. Review Action Items - Ongoing Items

No Action Items are outstanding.

b. Landscaping and other improvements – Glenshandra: Tabled until the next meeting.

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. System Water Plan—Tabled until the next meeting. Bob will e-mail draft to Board.

b. Meter reading—Scheduled for January 26. A list of frozen meters will be made.

Dirk moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Jeff; motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 a.m. Meeting minutes were recorded and transcribed by Meg Kleinman.

The next Board meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, April 25, 2007 at 8:00 a.m.



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