

# MORRISON CREEK METROPOLITAN WATER & SANITATION DISTRICT

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## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

The Board of Directors of the Morrison Creek Metropolitan Water & Sanitation District met on July 20, 2017 at the Offices of Sharp, Steinke, Sherman & Engle located at 401 Lincoln Avenue in Steamboat Springs, Colorado for their regularly scheduled meeting.

Present: Bob Woodmansee, President  
Mike Ratliff, Vice President  
Leah Wolf Martin, Director  
Paul Barry, Director

Also Present: Steve Colby, District Manager  
Tom Sharp, Counsel

-President Woodmansee called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M.

### June Meeting Minutes

- Mike Ratliff made the motion to approve the June meeting minutes as prepared and e-mailed to the Board. Paul Barry 2<sup>nd</sup>. Pass.

### Financial Report

-The financial report and check register were reviewed.

-Paul Barry made the motion to ratify the payments of check #'s 14445 to 14505 inclusive. Mike Ratliff 2<sup>nd</sup>. Pass.

### Managers Report

-The manager has received a quote from Salt Creek Welding to install a new vent on the upper tank. The proposal is to install a 24" diameter, 48" high vent for \$4,300. The manager recommends moving forward on the project. Mike Ratliff makes a motion to accept the proposal from Salt Creek Welding. Paul Barry 2<sup>nd</sup>. Pass.

-The chain and sprocket on the sludge collection mechanism in the clarifier has been replaced. ITP from Hayden assisted in the installation.

-Total water billed for the May/June period is 3,186,780 gallons.

-The manager updated the Board on the Screwpress project. The submittal has been submitted to the CDPHE and is awaiting assignment to an engineer for review. A down payment has been made to PW Tech to begin design work.

-We received a tap fee for construction of a SFR on Lot 8 Red Hawk Village. We received a vault impact fee for a SFR on Lot 64 Southshore.

#### Attorneys Report

-Mr. Sharp reported on progress on the augmentation plan. Morrison Creek and HRS has responded to all of the AG and Barney Whites questions/comments except for the accounting form which HRS will provide.

-Mr. Sharp reported that he had participated in a conference with the water court referee and applicants in the two Greenridge Ranch cases in which he explained our concerns because of the pending Augmentation Plan.

#### Old Business

-Youngs Peak Preserve Well Policy: Tom Sharp explained the history of the District's policy to require well permits in the District's name. Originally there was little information on the hydrogeology and so there was concern that they could affect our municipal wells and we needed to be involved. Since the extensive HRS work on the nature of the Browns Park aquifer characteristics there is now less concern about this. Over the years there have been various agreements created for these new larger parcel subdivisions which are unserved and will have wells and septic systems. Some areas have previously been exempted from the policy based on the agreement that the District would never provide service. The Division of Water Resources has advised the proponents of the Youngs Peak Preserve project that they can only get well permits for the 8 lots if they have an augmentation contract. Because this project is not in the Little Morrison Creek drainage or the Morrison Creek drainage they can get an augmentation contract from the Upper Yampa Water Conservancy District. A MOTION was made by Director Paul Barry that the subdivision development to be known as Young's Creek Preserve shall be exempt from the policy requirements of the District that all exempt residential wells in such subdivision must be titled in the name of and owned by the District, and the District waives its policies only to the extent of allowing owners of residential lots platted within Young's Creek Preserve subdivision to obtain exempt water well residential permits in the respective names of such owners and not in the name of the District, and that such owners (not the District) may indefinitely own such permitted exempt water wells. The MOTION was seconded by Director Mike Ratliff. In discussion, the Directors noted that the reason for such exemption and waiver is that most of the residential lots in such subdivision are or will be located outside of the Little Morrison Creek drainage, but on subdivided lots which are deemed to be subdivided subsequent to 1972, and therefore residential wells on lots within such new subdivision will require water augmentation contracts from the Upper Yampa Water Conservancy District since the Yampa Basin is deemed over-appropriated. The owners of each such augmented exempt well will need to sign up such augmentation contracts before the State Engineer will issue such permits. Such contracts or the well permits will require annual well production monitoring and payment of annual fees to the UYWCD. The Morrison Creek District is not in apposition to sign such water augmentation contracts with each such residential owner in such subdivision and does not desire to undertake the responsibility of water production monitoring from such well owners. In further discussion, it was noted that the District will still require the developer/subdivider to execute a New Parcel Agreement with the District, in a form acceptable to the District Manager, provided that all provisions requiring ownership by the District of exempt water wells within the subdivision will be deleted. THE MOTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED.

#### New Business

-Bob Woodmansee discussed the upcoming transitions which will occur on the Board next spring as he will be term limited. He suggested that it might be a good idea to step down as President so a new President could be elected who will be on the Board in the future.

-Their being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 P.M...