

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY  
WATER QUALITY PROTECTION DISTRICT  
BOARD MEETING  
Helena, MT 59601  
316 N. Park, Room 226  
October 21, 2013

Members Present

Stan Frasier, chair  
Jamie Schell, vice-chair  
Commissioner Susan Good Geise  
Eric Regensburger  
Jennifer Lowell  
Randall Camp  
Kammy Johnson  
David Donohue

Staff

Kathy Moore  
Jim Wilbur  
James Swierc  
Jennifer McBroom  
Jolene Helgerson  
Norman Rostocki

Guests Present

Members Absent

Kris Goss

Stan Frasier, chair, called the 194<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Lewis and Clark County Water Quality Protection District (WQPD) Board of Directors to order at 5:30 p.m. A quorum was established.

**INTRODUCTION**

Introductions of new board member David Donohue, board members and staff were made.

**MINUTES**

Stan Frasier asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes August 27, 2013. Jamie Schell made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Commissioner Good Geise seconded the motion. The motion carried 8-0. Stan Frasier asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes September 24, 2013. Mr. Schell made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Jennifer Lowell seconded the motion. The motion carried 8-0.

**REVIEW OF AGENDA**

No additions were made.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**FINANCE MANAGER'S REPORT**

Norman Rostocki, Finance Coordinator, presented the WQPD 2013 fiscal year end cash flow statement and comparison to budget (see Attachment "A") and cash flow analysis on page 12 of the board packet. As of September 30, 2013, we are 25% through the fiscal year, beginning cash is \$119,748; total revenues received are \$11,254 or 3.71% amount budgeted; total expenditures are \$73,460 or 23% amount budgeted; revenues are under expenditures by \$62,205; ending cash balance is \$57,542.

## **DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS**

Kathy Moore, division administrator for the Environmental Services Division, introduced the first half of the District's strategic planning. The Board discussed the mission statement, vision statement, values, and review of the current strategic plan. Ms. Moore will provide the Board at the December board meeting with a summary of what was discussed during the September meeting. A facilitator will assist the Board in completing the strategic plan at the December 3<sup>rd</sup> board meeting.

## **UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

WQPD Tour-Upper Tenmile Super Fund Area: Board members and staff toured the Upper Tenmile Superfund Mining on September 30, 2013.

LHWG Fairgrounds Pond Cleanup: On October 5, 2013, the Lake Helena Watershed Group (LHWG) removed trash and debris from the Lewis & Clark County Fairgrounds pond and repositioned the floating island. An aerator installed on the floating island for monitoring purposes has failed and the LHWG hopes to have a replacement within a year. In answer to a question from Randall Camp, Jim Wilbur, Water Quality District Coordinator, stated there are high levels of nutrients in the pond from domestic and migrating water fowl. The county does have a management plan for the water fowl but over time the plan has not been activated.

Exempt Well Combined Appropriation Proposed Rule Change: The Montana Department of Natural Resources (DNRC) has proposed a rule change to the exempt well rule due to misuse of the rule. The rule would limit exempt wells in a subdivision to 5 to 6 lots on a 40 acre parcel. Prior to the DNRC hearing, the rule was opposed which prevents DNRC from adopting the rule for 6 months.

## **BOARD MEMBER DISCUSSION**

Mr. Schell noted that on October 29, the Montana Environmental Trust Group (METG) will begin using the by-pass for Prickley Pear Creek.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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Stan Fraiser, chair