

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Town of Estes Park, Larimer County, Colorado, February 12, 2009.

Minutes of a Regular meeting of the **UTILITIES COMMITTEE** of the Town of Estes Park, Larimer County, Colorado. Meeting held in the Town Hall in said Town of Estes Park on the 12th day of February, 2009.

Committee: Chairman Homeier, Trustees Blackhurst and Ericson
Attending: Trustees Blackhurst and Ericson
Also Attending: Town Administrator Halburnt, Deputy Town Administrator Richardson, Utilities Dir. Goehring, and Deputy Town Clerk Deats
Absent: Chairman Homeier

Trustee Blackhurst called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

WATER DEPARTMENT

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT WITH UPPER THOMPSON SANITATION DISTRICT – REQUEST APPROVAL.

Upgrades to the Mary's Lake Water Treatment Plant, and the subsequent changes to a membrane filtration system, will increase the backwash discharge from the plant to the Upper Thompson Sanitation District (UTSD). Running at capacity the plant will discharge approximately 20,000 gallons per day, up from 4,600 gallons per day, requiring the Town to purchase an additional 15,400 gallons in discharge volume. Cost for the additional treatment requires the purchase of Plant Investment Fees (PIF) from UTSD which is calculated as follows:

15,400 additional gal/200 = 77 PIF required for additional discharge

77 PIF @ \$4,300 per PIF = \$331,100

Staff recommends entering into an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) with Upper Thompson Sanitation District to accommodate the treatment of the additional discharge at a cost of \$331,100 from account #503-7000-5880-35-54, budgeted. The **Committee requests that the item be taken as an action item to the February 24, 2009, Town Board meeting.**

FINANCIAL REPORTS.

1. Light and Power Financial Report – Finance Officer McFarland reported that 2008 was a good year for Light and Power with revenues at 103% of budget which is attributed to an increase in customer base and usage volume, and expenses coming in lower than anticipated.
2. Water Financial Report – Finance Officer McFarland stated there were savings realized during 2008 with funds for engineering expenses and meter equipment being unused.

LIGHT & POWER REPORTS.

1. Mary's Lake Bridge Utility Crossing – The project is complete with all utilities underground and overhead lines removed. The expenses for all participating utilities (Baja, Qwest, and Xcel Energy) came in under estimates and all

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participants have expressed satisfaction with the project. The participating utilities have been billed for their portions of the project.

2. Renewable Energy Efforts – Asst. Utilities Dir. Mangelsen presented a program used at the Earth Fest held at the YMCA in January that highlighted solar and wind rebate programs made possible through partnerships with the Town of Estes Park, the Governor's Energy Office (GEO), and the Colorado Solar Energy Industries Association (CoSEIA).

WATER

1. Mary's Lake Water Treatment Facility – The project continues to progress well with a water production target date of May 12, 2009.

There being no further business, Trustee Blackhurst adjourned the meeting at 8:55 a.m.

Cynthia A. Deats, Deputy Town Clerk