

# Windermere Oaks Water Supply Corporation

424 Coventry Rd Spicewood, Texas 78669

## 2014 Board of Directors:

Pat Mulligan, President Scott Penner, Vice President Mike Madden, Secretary/Treasurer Bill Earnest, Director Dorothy Taylor, Director

Open Board of Directors meeting held: Saturday, January 17 2015 Board Members Present:

Pat Mulligan
Dorothy Taylor
Bill Earnest
Mike Madden
Scott Penner

**Minutes** 

President Mulligan called the WOWSC Open Board Meeting to Order at 3:00 PM 1/17/2015 All Board Members present

Dorothy Taylor made a motion to approve minutes of 11-10-2014 and 11-22-2014 WOWSC Open Board Meetings, seconded by Scott Penner All board members in favor. Motion Approved.

#### George Burris gave the following WOWSC Manager's Report:

The level of Lake Travis stayed in a fairly narrow range throughout the year from a high around 630' msl down to a low just under 623' msl. The low which occurred in November, exposed the top of the berm just downstream from the intake barge. Previous soundings had indicated that the top of the berm was at the 624' level. However, the November low showed two shallow channels which had been eroded across the berm. These cuts have lowered the level of the pool where the barge is located, so that there is about four feet of water under the barge. The barge is operational in that depth, but the concern is that if the cuts get deeper through the berm, continued operation will become increasingly difficult as the water level goes down.

Ricky, Larry and I have made several inspections of these cuts to determine if the cuts in the berm could be restored to the 624' level. There are several ways to improve the stability of the berm, but the easiest approach would be to move sand and gravel from the adjacent river bank into the ruts. However, this would require an LCRA permit, and their rules make it easy to get a permit to remove material from the lake, but very difficult to put anything in it. In this case, however, material would be neither added nor removed. So, an application has been submitted asking permission to drive a large front end loader, or some similar machinery, into the riverbed, and fill in the cuts. And, surprisingly, the response from LCRA has been favorable. The permitting department has stated that they are trying to find a way to approve the application, and hope to have a decision within 30 days.

The TCEQ finally approved the Closure Plan to demolish the old sewer plant. They had stated that when the plan was submitted that the approval would be received in October, but the engineer's attempt to get an explanation for the delay went unanswered. Fortunately, a WOWSC member, Gary Young, attended a Board of Directors meeting during which there was a discussion about the delay in receiving the Closure Plan approval. After the meeting, Mr. Young volunteered to see if he could break the logjam at the TCEQ. He said he knew the commissioners, and that he would contact them, and get back in touch. A few days later, he phoned to say we would hear from them shortly. And on December 16<sup>th</sup>, the approval letter was issued. Thanks to Mr. Young the demolition can now proceed, and the last phase of the WWTP project will be complete.

## OTHER DEVELOPMENTS

- The fire which destroyed the Hill Condos in November, was a terrifying experience for the entire community. However, it showed what great volunteers are involved in the Spicewood VFD, and it brought together the community in an effort to assist those displaced by the fire. It also brought together the WOWSC and WOPOA in a cooperative effort to fund the installation of a fire hydrant which will facilitate the efforts of the VFD. A contract has been awarded and the work is scheduled for January.
- Another issue which received discussion as a result of the fire is the use of flush valves which are located around the
  community. Many residents had the impression that these pipes were intended for fire protection, but the WOWSC
  attorney explained that they do not qualify to be considered as such, and therefore they have been painted black.
   Nonetheless, given the understanding that they are flush valves, the VFD can use them as a source of water, if they are
  available, and WOWSC will maintain them in operating condition on a regular basis.
- The lab/office building at the new WWTP is now in service.
- In conversations with Kevin Jackson concerning the drainage culvert which diverts water from the airpark onto the new lift station, there has developed an impasse as to how this issue will be resolved.
- Motion was made by Bill Earnest to have George Burris fill in the berm in Lake Travis by our Water Barge to allow the level under our barge to increase the depth. The expenditure is not to exceed \$15,000. Motion seconded by Mike Madden. All board members present approved.



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Approval of new election procedures for 2015 Annual Members Meeting were discussed by the Board. The Windermere Oaks Water Supply Corporation Annual Meeting will be held Saturday April 25, 2015. Dorothy Taylor made a motion to approve the Election Procedures for the WOWSC 2015 Annual Members Meeting Scott Penner Seconded. All Board members approved.

Completion of changes to the WOWSC Tariff were discussed. Dorothy Taylor advised that she and George Burris were still working on updates to the Tariff. Discussion was tabled till further board meetings.

President Mulligan gave a presentation on the WOWSC Strategic Plan and 2015 Budget which will be presented at the Annual Members Meeting.

Motion made by Scott Penner to Purchase and Install Water Diversion Meter to the Backwash to demonstrate saving of water. Seconded by Mike Madden Approved by all board members present.

Discussion on Selection of Accountant for accounting services not to exceed 2,000.00. Motion made by Mike Madden to select a CPA for services not to exceed \$2,000. Seconded by Scott Penner. All in favor Pat Mulligan, Scott Penner, Dorothy Taylor. Mike Madden, Bill Earnest voted no. Motion Carried.

Executive Session to discuss Real Estate, Personnel, or Legal Matters at 5:00 PM. Out of Executive Session 5:05 PM

Mike Madden made motion to adjourn, Dorothy Taylor seconded all board members present Scott Penner, Pat Mulligan voted Aye Meeting Adjourned at 5:05 PM

Respectfully Submitted, T.M. (Mike) Madden Secretary / Treasurer WOWSC