

Norwood Water Commission  
Tuesday December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023- Regular Meeting  
Norwood Community Center 7:00 P.M

**Call to Order:**

Finn Kjome called the regular meeting of the Norwood Water Commission to order at 7:00P.M. The Norwood Water Commission of San Miguel County, State of Colorado, met in regular session at the Norwood Community Center, 1670 Naturita Street, Norwood, Colorado. Those being present were as follows:

**Present:**           **Chairman** – Finn Kjome, **Vice Chairman** – Tony Daranyi, Mike Grafmyer, Ray Cossey and Richard Nelson

**Staff:**               Patti Grafmyer – Administrator, Shawntel Darby – Secretary and Randy Harris – ORC

**Absent:**             Brad Campbell

**Others:**            Deana Sheriff and Amanda Pierce – Town Clerk

**Via Zoom** – Kerry Welch

**Review/Consent Agenda:**

There was a **Motion** by Tony Daranyi to approve the November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023, minutes and the December 2023 bills and accounts with additions. Ray Cossey seconded the **motion**. **All** voted **yes**. **Motion passed.**

**Board Member Additions to Agenda:**

Mike Grafmyer made a **motion** to add the discussion with Steve Johnson regarding the right of way with the State Land Board pursuant to negotiations regarding a stipulation. Richard Nelson seconded the **motion**. **All** voted **yes**. **Motion passed.**

Richard Nelson suggested that we add drafting an annual letter to the Farmer’s Water Development Company to update them on our water usage and needs. Mike Grafmyer let him know that we do that via the annual meeting every year in February.

**Public Walk-In Period:**

**New Business:**

a) Public Hearing – Rate Raise

There was no public comment.

b) Resolution 1212-W Series 2023, Approving 2024 Budget

There was a **motion** by Ray Cossey to approve the Resolution 1212-W Series, approving the 2024 Budget. Mike Grafmyer seconded the **motion**. **All** voted **yes**. **Motion passed.**

c) Deana Sheriff – Discussion on Additional Grant Opportunities

Deana Sheriff presented grant opportunities to the NWC Board and discussed these with the Board. She reminded the Board that she would help with the process for free.

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d) Discussion with Steve Johnson Regarding Right of Way with the State Land Board Pursuant to Negotiations Regarding a Stipulation

Finn Kjome and Patti Grafmyer gave updates on the meeting they had with Steve Johnson on Monday. After NWC Board discussion and consideration the general consensus was to draft a response for the Board to approve and have it ran by John “Rob” Pierce to clarify who is managing the land and ensure the language is correct.

**Old Business:**

**Staff Reports/Announcements**

**a) Public Works Director’s Report**

Randy Harris states that it has been a busy month for taps being installed. The reservoir has been topped off as of last week with 88 acre-feet which is 10 acre-feet less than last year. He updated the NWC Board on several taps and let them know that the received the engineering information on Craig Greager’s tap that states we could potentially support up to 17 more cistern taps at a 2.5 gallon fill rate on Deer Mesa but Randy feels we should be cautious about that number. He also followed up with Riley Souther – Riley will be back in March. Randy will have all the necessary permits ready. The Board was updated on the lead line inventory and how it was going. He is looking at a mini excavator and discussed the information on it with the Board.

**b) Board Members Reports**

**c) Administrative Reports**

Patti Grafmyer let the NWC Board know that she and Finn Kjome had discussed the Right of Way regarding the old redundant line and stated that she would like to hire Jaqueline Franklin to research it for us as she is experienced and would know where to look for the information we need.

Ray Cossey made a **motion** to hire Jaqueline Franklin to do research for the Right of Way regarding the old redundant line. Tony Daranyi seconded the **motion**. All voted **yes**. **Motion passed.**

Patti discussed the opposition with Sheep Mountain Alliance and San Miguel County with the Board. She also suggests reaching out to Mike Bourdogna.

Amanda Pierce reminded the NWC Board that this is Patti’s last meeting with them. She also let the Board know that Patrick Rondinelli of DOLA stated that Patti is the longest standing Town Administrator in the State of Colorado at 32 years.

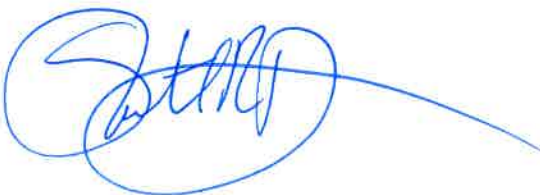
**Adjourn:**

**Motion** by Ray Cossey to adjourn the meeting at 8:36P.M. Mike Grafmyer seconded the **motion**. All voted **yes**. **Motion passed.**

**Approved:**

**Approved As Corrected:**

**Date:**



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