

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of The Board of Commissioners of North Beach Water District

An emergency meeting of the Board of Commissioners of North Beach Water District was held at 2:00pm, Tuesday, December 15, 2009 at the meeting room of North Beach Water District, 25902 Vernon Avenue, Suite C, Ocean Park, Washington.

I. Call to order:

Commissioner Sheldon called the emergency meeting of the Board of Commissioners of North Beach Water District to order at 2:04pm.

II. Roll call:

Commissioners present:

Gwen Brake
Brian Sheldon
R.D. Williams

Commissioners absent:

None

Staff present:

Michael Berlien, General Manager
Tia Crisifulli, Office Manager

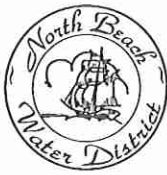
Others present:

Teresa Walker, Washington State Department of Health Office of Drinking Water (via telephone); Jacob Brundage, Fire Chief for Pacific County Fire Protection District # 1; Brad Weatherby; Mark Clemens

III. The purpose of this emergency meeting was to discuss and take action on the water loss that was occurring due to the record freezing temperatures and subsequent thawing.

Mr. Berlien advised the Commissioners that the water storage level at the North Wellfield was 10.5' and 16' at the South Wellfield (just over 100,000 gallons). At our current rate of water loss (approximately 200-300 gallons per minute above production capacity) the District would run out of water tomorrow. The way the water demand occurred suggests that the water loss is due to broken plumbing at individual services instead of a District water main break. Fire Chief Brundage was able to mobilize volunteers to aid the District in locating and turning off services where there were leaks. The Commissioners thanked Chief Brundage and his volunteers for their time and effort.

Ms. Walker, of Washington State Department of Health Office of Drinking Water, advised that if water pressure in the system drops to 20 psi, a Boil Water Advisory will need to be issued. The advisory would stay in effect until system pressure was brought back up, water reservoirs were replenished, and 5 coliform water samples come back satisfactory. Mr. Berlien discussed with Ms. Walker the possibility of performing isolated turn offs in order to insure continued water service to the nursing home and elementary school. Also discussed was the possibility of feeding wells directly into the



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system, without treatment for iron and manganese. Mr. Berlien will contact Ms. Walker with a status report at the end of the work day.

In summary:

- System pressure will be left as is. Staff will reevaluate the situation in the morning.
- Staff will begin feeding a couple of wells directly into the distribution system, bypassing treatment.
- Staff will contact Ms. Stephanie Fritts with the Pacific County Emergency Management regarding implementing reverse 911 calling for the possible boil water advisory.
- Staff will contact the two Homeowners Associations within the District to request assistance in locating leaks within their communities.
- Staff will keep the Board of Commissioners, Pacific County Fire Protection District # 1, and Washington State Department of Health Office of Drinking water regularly updated on the situation.

IV. Adjournment

Mr. Sheldon moved to adjourn the emergency meeting of the Board of Commissioners of North Beach Water District at 2:50pm. Ms. Brake seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

Aye: Ms. Brake, Mr. Sheldon, Mr. Williams

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Brian Sheldon, Commissioner

R.D. Williams, Commissioner

Gwen Brake, Commissioner