

CUAB MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, February 1, 2012
Johnson Creek Facility Conference Room
6101 SE Johnson Creek Blvd.

Members Present

Charles Bird, Chair (via Skype)
Beth Kelland, Vice Chair
Bob Hatz
Mike Scolar
Monty Schroeder

Staff Present

Gary Parkin, Engineering Director

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bird called the meeting to order at 6:22 p.m.

II. INTRODUCTIONS

Charles is in Cortez, Colorado, expects to be back later in February.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

Approved minutes from the January 11, 2012 meeting.

IV. REPORTS

The group watched a 15-minute video titled "The Value of Infrastructure" (now posted on the City's website) which presented information showing how, across the country, utility system infrastructure is aging and the replacement cost is rising as it has mostly been deferred.

V. DISCUSSION

Utility rate increases were discussed for the Water, Wastewater, and Stormwater utilities. Maintaining current service levels as recommended by the master plans, keeping pace with cost increases, and funding recommended capital replacement schedules are the drivers for the recommended rate increases.

Issues discussed included the revenue shortfall in the water fund (speculated to be due to less usage from wetter weather, more efficient fixtures, and the bad economy), the unknown cost of treatment for wastewater (until CCSD#1 and the City come to a contract), and the lack of an up-to-date stormwater master plan (the update is currently underway).

The group approved the rate increases with the following notes:

- Remove the treatment portion of the increase for wastewater.
- The water increase should remain as a \$2.50/month annual increase for the average resident and not be tied to a certain percentage increase.
- The rate increase should be presented to the Budget Review Board as a flier similar to one done when the SSMP was introduced.

VI. MATTERS FROM THE BOARD

Beth has written a letter for consideration of extending the terms or no limits for the CUAB. Monte brought up the fact that much time is spent learning the utility systems, and Mike discussed the need to mentor potential members.

VII. OTHER

VIII. INFORMATION SHARING

IX. FUTURE MEETING DATE/AGENDA ITEMS

Next meeting will be March 7, 2012 (tentative) at 6:00 p.m. at the Johnson Creek facility. Future items to consider: water well contamination (was brought up at Water MP hearing), SSMP slurry sealing.

X. ADJOURN

The meeting ended at 8:32 p.m.



Beth Kelland, Vice Chair



Gary Parkin, Scribe