

Pacific City Joint Water-Sanitary Authority
Board of Directors and Advisory Committee Joint Meeting

February 26, 2015

Board Chair Carolyn McVicker called the PCJWSA Board of Directors and Advisory Committee Joint Meeting to order at 4:00 pm in the Authority's meeting room.

Directors present: Carolyn McVicker, Anne Price, Sean Carlton Dick Carter. Sean Lambert arrived late.

Committee Members present: Doug Olson, Allen Willis, Scott Culp and Jessica Kliever. Gene Johnson was absent.

Guest present: Larry Rouse

Staff present: Tony Owen, Authority Manager.

Recap of the February 19, 2015 Meeting

Sean Carlton and Scott Culp both stated that they were surprised and very happy with the meeting as it was less confrontational than expected. Mr. Olson said that he wasn't there due to a conflict and asked how many people attended. Director McVicker responded that there were about forty people in attendance and there were very good questions for the audience and the presenters kept their answers short and to the point.

Mr. Owen stated that the panel also thought it was a very positive meeting and were pleased with the turnout.

Mr. Olson asked if there were any negative comments and Mr. Carlton replied in the affirmative, that one guest thought the Pelican Pub should just pay for it. Director Carter thought maybe it wasn't a negative towards the upgrade but towards who should pay for it.

Director McVicker asked the Board of Directors and Advisory Committee how they felt about going forward with the upgrade after the Community Meeting. Mr. Culp stated that PCJWSA has no choice and should go forward. The more important question is how to pay for it.

WWTP UPGRADE PROCESS

Mr. Owen said that he had spoken with Mr. Bartlett trying to get a schedule put together for what needs to happen and when. Mr. Owen continued that the key issue is getting the design and construction application to Rural Development. Mr. Owen stated that in the interim it would be necessary to determine where the financing would come from. Mr. Owen continued that DEQ has changed the rules for the State Revolving Fund money for interim financing, as now they have included the Davis Bacon

federal law into interim financing which could create problems with administration. Mr. Owen said that in long term financing rules DEQ requires American made steel provisions that could complicate the process for obtaining equipment as not all equipment is made in American. Mr. Owen said that Mr. Bartlett and he had spoken about issuing a RFP to financial institutions for the short term funding to get the best rate over a 24 to 30 month period.

Mr. Owen reported that he had called TLC asking if they were interested in giving PCJWSA a line of credit and they stated since they were in the middle of a merger that they would not be able to assist.

Discussion continued about funding options, along with their costs, timing, and monthly billing vs. property taxes, interest rates and loan terms. Consensus was that USDA-RD loan was the best option based on interest rates, overall cost of the loan, and timing to acquire the loan.

Discussion followed regarding communications to the public including loan options, costs of not upgrading the WWTP, scheduling of public meetings and promoting public involvement.

ADJOURN

Chair McVicker adjourned the meeting at 5:05 PM.

The PCJWSA Board of Directors approved these minutes on April 7, 2015, by the following vote:

Aye_____ Nay_____ Absent_____ Abstain_____

ATTEST:

By: _____
Carolyn McVicker, PCJWSA Board Chair

By: _____
Tony Owen, PCJWSA Manager

By: _____
Anne Price, PCJWSA Board Vice-Chair
For the PCJWSA Advisory Committee