

**Startup Water District
Special Meeting Minutes
2/2/2017**

Commissioner Kate Roesler called the Special meeting of the Startup Water District Commissioners to order at 9:35 a.m. Thursday, February 2, 2017.

Commissioners and others present:

Startup Water:

Renette Villella
Kate Roesler
Nick Sanders

Gray & Osborne

Stacey Clear
Warren Perkins

Grant Update -

- ❖ **Sultan** - It looks like Botting is in the process of selling their property to developers, so Sultan might have a need to extend their water lines along the U.S. 2, if so this could possibly cut the District's cost of an intertie with Sultan. Kate will meet with Ken, the City's administrator, to discuss this possibility.
- ❖ **Well susceptibility to drought** - Because of the shallow wells SWD's source of water is highly susceptible to drought and contamination. G&O looked at the well logs for 2015, and came to the conclusion that a drought spells trouble for the District.
- ❖ **Other** - It would not be feasible to drill another deeper well on the same site as the District's wells and if we tried in another location it could mean getting additional water rights. A tie-in with Gold Bar would be much more expensive, farther to go and would have to bore under the Wallace River. It looks like developing a Intertie with Sultan is the only feasible alternative for an emergency source. Sultan has a intertie with the PUD, that allows the PUD to "wheel" water through Sultan's system so we might have to go through the PUD. We will first try to work with Sultan.
- ❖ **Right of Way** - Would will need RofW's from the DOT and private ownership (Botting and Mutach). Warren will look into.

pH Study - Waiting for cost estimates on the equipment needed. The study is leaning toward using caustic soda as the mean to raise the pH. G&O will try to have the cost estimate of replacing the contactor by the next meeting. G&O will have the study done by the end of February.

Water System Plan - SWD has applied for a Grant from the DWSRF to help pay for the Plan. We will know back by the end of April. Either way we will need to complete a WSP by the end of the year, which means we will need to start ASAP. New regulations have extended plans from every 5 years to every 10 years. Nick will contact Erika at the DOH to see if we can start our WSP before we hear back on the status of our grant application.

Next Regular Meeting - 2/9/17

This Special Meeting of the Startup Water District was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Prepared by: Nicholas Sanders

Signed: [Signature]
Commissioner