# MACKAYE HARBOR WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES May 22 2017

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Board of Commissioners for MacKaye Harbor Water District met in regular session on May 22 at the Lopez Library meeting room. Chairman Olson called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. Present were commissioners KC Jennings and Kirstie Noreen, manager Wayne Haefele, clerk Helen Cosgrove and guest, Linda Noreen.

#### **REGULAR BUSINESS**

#### A. Approval of Minutes for March 6 and April 3

Olson moved, seconded by Noreen to approve the minutes from the March 6 and April 3 meetings as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

### B. Approval of Vouchers and Payroll

Olson moved, seconded by Jennings to approve vouchers in the amount of \$1,800.82 for March and \$1,185.00 and \$2,940.03 for April and May and payroll in the amount of \$342.00. The motion passed unanimously. There was a general discussion about the coverage existing under the current insuarance policy; the need for errors and omissions insurance. Haefele to contact the District's attorney about needed coverage.

# C. Financial Report

Cosgrove distributed the general fund reports, one for last month and one for the current month. The current balance in the fund is \$26,718.91; only one person hasn't paid their bills and are scheduled to be disconnected; sent them a certified return receipt letter advising them that they would be disconnected on July 1<sup>st</sup> if payment is not received.

#### D. Managers' Report

Haefele reported that he had been working on the district boundaries and distributed two maps, one for the existing boundaries and another for the proposed new boundaries. Originally some of the parcels were bisected, the elections department was not pleased with the bisected parcels and asked that the boundaries be changed to incorporate parcels in their entirety. At an earlier meeting the commissioners had decided to incorporate the bisected boundaries. The second map shows what the new boundary would become. Olson asked what the consequences would be for the properties that would become fully incorporated. Haefele responded that if MHWD ever becomes a taxing district, those parcels would be taxed even though they might not be hooked up but have the option of connecting to the District by either abandoning their existing well or installing a backflow device. Haefele noted that the election to be taxed must be approved by the voters within the District. Noreen asked if the District is currently capable of providing water service to the parcels that would become a part of the larger district. Haefele responded that currently the District would not be capable of adding more customers currently, more water shares would have to be approved by the Department of Health; there are a number of issues that

would have to be evaluated including the ability for the infrastructure to handle the increase, storage capacity being one of them. Jennings said we need to be sensitive to our water system to make sure there is water there for everyone; requiring a holding tank as part of the infrastructure to get water to a residence is not unreasonable. Haefele said that if there is a general acceptance of the boundaries, he will present it to the county for their comments. By consensus, it was agreed to move forward.

Moved the website to Rock Island, it's up and running; enter in <a href="www.mackayeharborwaterdistrict.org">www.mackayeharborwaterdistrict.org</a> and the website will come up. Olson asked if the need for another commissioner should be put on the website. Haefele said he reviewed the list that was sent out and felt potential candidates should be contacted directly.

#### E. Commissioners Reports

None

### F. Personal Appearances

Linda Noreen asked about the fire suppression standpipe on the corner of Barlow Bay by Salmon Point, would that be a good position considering the projected sea rise. Jennings said that road may still get raised, but they currently have no money; will be quite awhile before they move forward. Haefele suggested installing it where Aleck Bay Road meets MacKaye Harbor Road, the elevation is higher there; usefulness of existing location may last for numerous years and relocate later if and when needed; other locations would be problematic for the fire trucks ability to turn around.

#### G. Commissioners Additions to the Agenda

Jennings said he received a call from the county today regarding who does locates. Haefele said we were signed up. Jennings to double check with the county. Had spoken to Steve Dengler with OPALCO and they were going to install high speed fiber lines, there is a water line there with only about 18 inches of shoulder; wants to make sure they get their locates. Jennings suggested Haefele talk to Dengler before they start.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### A. Resolution 2017-02: Establishing Late Fee Charges

Olson read the resolution. Jennings moved, seconded by Noreen to approve resolution 2017-02. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.