

**GREENFERRY WATER DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
November 12, 2020 11:00 AM, Via Zoom**

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chairman Stephen Tanner opened the meeting a 11:00 AM. A roll call confirmed Vice Chairman Carol Rassier, Ron Utz and Bob Stiger were also present. Staff present were John Austin, Manager, Bob and Kuchenski, Water Operator. Guests were David Shultz, Sewer Consultant and members Ren Hone and Penny Jane.

OLD BUSINESS

Next, the Board discussed the letter to the Kootenai County Community Services Department concerning the Bayshore Estates subdivision and the Nutrient Pathogen Evaluation (NPE). Chairman Tanner stated that he and Mr. Austin had drafted the letter and had shared it with legal counsel, Caitlin Kling, who approved the language. Chairman Tanner noted the elements of the letter, including two points for the hearing examiner at the County to consider: First, the Level I NPE was not acceptable to IDEQ, and therefore the Board was requiring a Level II NPE. Second, that new information from the District's new engineer shows that there is insufficient capacity in the District to serve Bayshore Development without additional pumping, either upgraded pumps or a new third well. After discussion and revisions, the Board approved the attached letter for submittal, contingent upon approval by Ms. Kling, following a motion by Mr. Stiger and second by Ms. Rassier, with Mr. Utz voting nay.

ADJOURN

Next, the Board adjourned the meeting at 12: PM, following a motion by Mr. Utz and second by Mr. Stiger.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen Tanner, Chairman

John Austin, Manager

Greenferry Water and Sewer District, 9191 Michael, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

November 12, 2020

Vlad Finkel
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RE: Bayshore Estates

Dear Mr. Finkel:

The Board of Directors of the Greenferry Water and Sewer District met in a special meeting on November 12, 2020 to consider the recommendation of Mr. Gary Stevens from the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) concerning the Nutrient Pathogen Evaluation (NPE) conducted for the Bayshore Estates development.

The developer's consultant completed a level I NPE. Mr. Stevens' letter states that the level I evaluation was not sufficient to properly evaluate the groundwater impact to the Aquifer and the District's wells. He is recommending a level II NPE be completed. The board agrees with Mr. Stevens' recommendation, which the board is required for the developer to comply with the amended will serve letter provided to the county and the developer on September 10, 2020. This amended will serve letter required the developer to complete an NPE that is acceptable to IDEQ for their approval.

Based on Mr. Stevens' letter the submitted level I NPE is not acceptable to IDEQ. Therefore the Board is requiring that the level II NPE be completed. The Board also recommends that the level II NPE approved by IDEQ before the preliminary plat is considered for approval. The Board also asks that the NPE be evaluated by the Idaho Groundwater Quality Rule criteria used for the Rathdrum Prairie Sensitive Resource Aquifer since the new finding by the Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) shows this development and the District's wells are over the Rathdrum Aquifer.

In addition, the Board received new information from the District's engineer at a special board meeting on November 10, 2020 that indicated the District does not have the pumping capacity from their wells to serve any additional connections at this time. This new information was based on new data as a result of installing new electronic water meters on the district wells in August 2020. The District's well pumps will need to be upgraded or an additional well will need to be installed as per IDEQ rules in order to serve any additional connections. This new finding will require an amendment to the current will serve letter or a new will serve letter being issued by the District. The Board would require the developer to participate in the cost of this capacity upgrade.

Please don't hesitate to call or email should you have any questions or comments on this matter. Thank you for your continuing assistance to the District.

Sincerely,

John Austin

Manager

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