

**5-2-1 DRAINAGE AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF THE BOARD
June 28th, 2006
Mesa County Courthouse Annex
Grand Junction, Colorado**

Chairman Karisny opened the meeting at 3:40 p.m.

Chairman Karisny called roll of the Board Members

Board Members Present:

<p>Dave Karisny, Chairman Jim Doody Tilman Bishop Dick Bowman</p>	<p>Council Member, City of Fruita Council Member, of City of Grand Junction Mesa County Commissioner Grand Junction Drainage District</p>
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Board Members Absent:

Dave Walker (Board Member, Town of Palisade)

Also Present:

John Ballagh (Grand Junction Drainage District Manager), **Trent Prall** (City of Grand Junction, City Engineer), **Tim Moore** (City of Grand Junction, Public Works Manager), **Mike Meininger** (Mesa County, Engineer), **Julie Constan** (Mesa County, Engineer), **Vohnnie Pearson** (Palisade, Town Planner), **Kate Hofius** (recording secretary)

Adopt Agenda

- Chairman Karisny asked for changes or acceptance of the agenda. Jim Doody made a motion to move to accept the agenda. Tilman Bishop seconded the motion.
- Chairman Karisny polled the Board.

The roll call vote result:	Contracting Party	Vote
	Fruita	aye
	City of Grand Junction	aye
	Grand Junction Drainage District	aye
	Mesa County	aye

MINUTES

Chairman Karisny asked for a motion on the Minutes of May 24, 2006. Tilman Bishop moved to accept the minutes as written; Jim Doody seconded the motion. Dave Karisny polled the Board.

The roll call vote results:	Contracting Party	Vote
	Fruita	aye
	City of Grand Junction	aye
	Grand Junction Drainage District	aye
	Mesa County	aye

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Financial Report

- John Ballagh explained the financial statements.
- Tilman Bishop wondered about the Qwest bill and pricing.
- Kate Hofius said that the May's bill seemed high. She contacted Qwest, (Yolanda Paris on 5/10/06 at 12:20) and asked for an explanation on the statement.
- She was told that the records show *SILV Communications/HOLD billing services* had been selected as your long distance carrier in March.
- Kate contacted SILV Communication stated that she did not remember being contacted about changing carriers. Then contacted Qwest and ask that the service originally set up for 5-2-1 Drainage Authority be re-established.
- Confirmation has been received that this has been done.
- She offered to bring the itemized statements to the next Board meeting.
- Tilman Bishop asked to see the statements.

Tilman Bishop moved to approve the Financial Report for the Month of May 2006 considering that six months of billing will be included at the August Board meeting in the Financial Statements. Jim Doody seconded the motion. No further questions or comments Chairman Karsiny polled the Board.

The roll call vote result:	Contracting Party	Vote
	Fruita	aye
	City of Grand Junction	aye
	Grand Junction Drainage District	aye
	Mesa County	aye

Questions from the Audience

- There were no questions from the audience.

ACTION ITEMS

Budget Revision

Chairman Dave Karisny opened the Public Hearing to revise the 2006 Budget at 3:45 p.m.

- John Ballagh explained that the Resolution was completing the proper documentation for the actions approved by the Board at the February 22, 2006 Board meeting.
- Tilman Bishop asked for clarification on several line items of the original 2006 Budget.
- Jim Doody and Trent Prall expressed their opinion that Public Education is a required part to the permitting and accounting to NPDES.
- Tilman Bishop wondered about the Education being done and the impact it has had on the public.
- Chairman Karisny asked for a report on events participated in and outcome.
- There was some discussion concerning the percentage of the public being educated and different ways of educating the general public.
- Tilman Bishop asked that Board and Staff members attending StormCon conference take useful notes that can be shared with members that did not attend the conference.

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- Trent Prall expressed his opinion that all members attending will learn a lot about the Rate Study process and have a better understanding of the process, that the City is hosting a web-cast July 12 at City Hall that will also be helpful for those who can attend. An AMEC representative (the company that is doing 5-2-1 Drainage Authority Rate Study) will be a speaker at the web cast.
- Tilman Bishop asked that all resolutions be numbered for easier tracking.
- It was agreed that the resolutions on today's agenda be numbered accordingly.

Tilman Bishop moved to approve the Revised Budget 2006.

Dick Bowman seconded the motion.

Chairman Karsiny polled the Board to accept the Resolution 2006-01 Budget Revision.

The roll call vote result:	Contracting Party	Vote
	Fruita	aye
	City of Grand Junction	aye
	Grand Junction Drainage District	aye
	Mesa County	aye

No Public comments were made.

Public Hearing was closed at 4:10 pm.

Resolution 2006-2-Reimbursement & Expense Policy

- Chairman Karisny asked Tilman Bishop, if after reading the policy, if Attorney Beckner had answered all of his questions. He stated that he had.
- Chairman Karisny asked John Ballagh to briefly go through the policy.
- John Ballagh gave a summary of the policy.
- Chairman Karisny asked if there were any more questions.
- There were no more questions or comments.

Chairman Karisny polled the Board to accept Resolution 2006-02, Reimbursement & Expense Policy.

The roll call vote result:	Contracting Party	Vote
	Fruita	aye
	City of Grand Junction	aye
	Grand Junction Drainage District	aye
	Mesa County	aye

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Capital Projects White Paper

- Chairman Karisny commented that since this is an ongoing item maybe we should review it. He commented on his understanding of the Capital Projects White Paper and the wording of “owning or not owning” projects funded by the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority.
- Jim Doody said he believed Staff to say that once a facility is built that the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority owns it, or is it as a partnership?
- John Ballagh explained that *ownership* needs to be negotiated and determined during the planning of a project, that there are many different considerations to be made before assigning ownership to any project.
- Tilman Bishop said that he understood that some would be owned by the entity with funding help from the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority, but he thought that 5-2-1 Drainage Authority would want to stand their ground they have ownership.
- Jim Doody said he thought that the wording had been, more or less, that if an entity needed say 10% help from the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority with funding that the entity would still own it, if the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority funded majority of project, the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority would own it.
- Chairman Karsiny questioned that O&M would come after resolving which projects will be done, that leads us to what should projects be based upon. Loss of life, etc. this is a continued discussion.
- Tilman Bishop commented concerning projects that if he were the *entity* he would *give it* to the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority and let them take care of it and not have the concern.
- Trent Prall referred to *Page 4*, and referenced the Big Pipe Project, that with construction costs going up, that it might be something that the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority will be asked to help fund.
- Chairman Karisny read the prior paragraph and stated that it does give flexibility to decision making.
- Tilman Bishop asked how negotiations would be considered, by dollars, percentages...
- Vohnnie Pearson explained that an entity might pay 90% of funding but have 5-2-1 Drainage Authority own it and be responsible for maintenance because it is a multi jurisdictional project.
- Chairman Karisny commented on the explanation given before about 10%-80% building and eventually becoming 80%-10% with O&M.
- Tilman Bishop questioned whether this will be something that attorney’s will end up negotiating.
- Chairman Karisny commented that maintenance determines a lot. If 5-2-1 Drainage Authority funds 100%, it is pretty black & white, they own it, and that the consultants need to know that.
- Jim Doody asked it was part of the package.
- Trent Prall answered that he had not read that exactly, but yes it should be. The O&M will affect the Rate Study’s outcome and the aggressiveness of future projects.
- John Ballagh gave examples of how the O&M can be split by portions of the project not percentages.
- Trent Prall agreed that with joint ventures they would have to work together.

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- Dick Bowman said that everyone involved needs to have their part spelled out and know their liability before starting a project.
- Vohnnie Pearson brought up TABOR and that in some cases it may be given to the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority for that reason.
- Dick Bowman stated that he stills see another layer of government and is interested to see how Urban Drainage and Flood Control District (UDFC) does it with out adding the next layer. He is looking forward to the conference and tour at UDFC. He doesn't see a problem with the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority owning, but the other side is it will grow.
- Tilman Bishop questioned if any of this has been ran by John Shaver or Lyle Dechant.
- Trent Prall said he didn't believe that it had. It means getting on the docket to speak to them.
- Chairman Karisny asked what Mr. Bishop was looking for.
- Tilman Bishop responded he wanted to make sure they didn't give the farm away. That policy is critical.
- Chairman Karsiny commented that there is no action to take with this white paper.
- Jim Doody agreed.
- Tilman Bishop asked what criteria would be used to prioritize.
- Trent Prall said that *loss of life*, certainly will, frequency of storm, quality over quantity among other things.
- Tilman Bishop asked how it would be weighted. Actual or predictability? Which has more weight?
- Trent Prall referred to Mike Meininger's scoring system, we are looking at several different systems, weight or scoring models.
- Julie Constan commented that whichever model is chosen it will be modified to fit the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority needs.
- Chairman Karsiny reiterated that the Board would have the right to adopt or reject.
- Tim Moore explained that this would be an on-going process.
- Trent Prall expressed that prioritizing and funding will be on going also.
- Tilman Bishop expressed his opinion that the community will voice their concerns and that things need to be addressed when approached.
- Trent Prall said that they would be able to justify the order of the projects when the time comes.
- Mike Meininger commented that the Board is on the right track and asking the right questions and that Staff re-evaluates after Board meeting when Board inputs their opinions.
- Dick Bowman reminded everyone that mandates from the government would cause re-evaluating priorities too.
- John Ballagh stated that Resolutions would have to be changed by Board action from time to time.
- Jim Doody asked where quality fits into things? Board will look at Staff recommendations for projects and then have the ability to vote on them?
- Vohnnie Pearson reminded, that Board members of the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority represent the valley, not the entity you are working for.
- John Ballagh told the Board that AMEC had sent a thirty (30) page Rate Structure Options Paper and that Staff will be reviewing it on July 5th. Board can have a copy sent by mail, hand delivered or emailed if they would like to see it.
- Julie Constan explained what the Option paper consists of.

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- Board would like copies by mail or hand delivered.
- Amec Earth & Environmental, Inc. is on schedule.
- John Ballagh went through Table 1 and Table 2 of the Rate Study Draft sent from AMEC.

Chairman Karsiny noted the time and asks for more questions. There were none.

NEXT MEETING DATE

- The next meeting is scheduled for August 23, 2006, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.
- Mesa County Courthouse Annex, Training RoomA
- Forecast meeting dates are as follows:

September 27th
October 25th
November 22nd
December 27th

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Dave Karisny, Chairman