

**5-2-1- DRAINAGE AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF THE BOARD
May 28, 2008
City of Grand Junction, Executive Conference Room
Grand Junction, Colorado**

Chairman Jim Doody called roll of the Board Members.

Board Members Present:

Jim Doody, Chairman	City of Grand Junction
Mel Mulder, Vice-Chairman	City of Fruita
Dave Walker, Treasurer	Town of Palisade
Steve Acquafresca, Asst. Sec.	Mesa County Commissioner
Richard Bowman, Secretary	Grand Valley Drainage District

Also Present:

Eileen List (Grand Junction Environmental Services Manager), **Julie Constan** (Engineer, Mesa County), **John Ballagh** (Grand Valley Drainage District, Manager), **Eric Mende** (City of Fruita Engineering), **Nathan Boddy** (Town of Palisade Planner), **Trent Prall** (City of Grand Junction, Engineering Manager), **Jon Peacock** (Mesa County Administrator), **(Ron Stoneburner** (5-2-1 DA Steering Committee), **Yvonne Charlesworth** (5-2-1 Drainage Authority Recording Secretary),

Chairman Jim Doody opened the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

Agenda:

Chairman Jim Doody asked for a motion to adopt the agenda. Dave Walker made the motion. Richard Bowman seconded the motion. Motion passed on voice vote.

Oath of Office:

The Oath of Office was given to Mel Mulder by Jim Doody.

Presentation:

Dave Karisny was presented with a plaque made of old wood from the old time pipes for his service to the 5-2-1 Board of Directors as the first Chairman.

Minutes:

Chairman Jim Doody asked for a motion to approve the Minutes of April 23, 2008. Steve Acquafresca made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. Mel Mulder seconded the motion. Motion passed on voice vote.

Financial Report:

John Ballagh reviewed the April 2008 financials. All the financials are in order and within budget. No money is being transferred from the interest bearing account to the checking account, although the interest bearing account is not generating very much interest. The

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attorney fees were questioned. The fee showing on the budget report was from April, not May. The May bill is larger. Two payments were made to URS, one for Lewis Wash and one for Douglas Wash. Both washes were included in the same bid. Lewis Wash is complete and the final reports for Douglas Wash were received today.

The hotline is continuing to be advertised. The billboard is now on Broadway.

Jim Doody asked for a motion to accept the financials. Mel Mulder made the motion. Steve Acquafresca seconded it. Motion passed on voice vote.

Reports:

Children's Water Festival:

A report is contained within the reports portion of the board meeting packets. The 5-2-1 DA's participation in the festival is reportable for the NPDES permit public education piece. The 5-2-1 DA made a presentation to seven hour-long classes. Shopping bags of pertinent information was put together for the teachers, so those 5th graders who didn't make it to the class obtained some information on the Drainage Authority anyway.

Douglas Wash Basin Master Plan, progress:

The 5-2-1 DA received the final report for Douglas Wash at noon today. Both reports were received well within the year time frame allotted. The contract was let in July last year. URS will make a presentation of the Douglas Wash report at the next scheduled Board meeting.

Lewis Wash, Gold Star Canyon & Red Canyon Digital Flood Insurance Maps (DFIRM) presentation by Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) June 16th & 17th at neighborhood meetings:

CWCB has completed draft flood plain maps for Lewis Wash, Gold Star Canyon and Red Canyon. The maps aren't considered final until comment periods are expired and public hearings are accomplished. CWCB is taking the lead for presenting the information to the public at neighborhood meetings scheduled for June 16th & 17th. No action is required by this Board. Trent Prall handed out an article that will be published in a city-wide newsletter. The article explains the requirement of flood insurance on homes within the flood plain for homes with federal mortgages. Board members expressed concern that neither the 5-2-1 DA, the City, nor the County were mentioned in the article. Trent will add that information before the article is published. The City of Grand Junction, the County, as well as the 5-2-1 DA itself (Eric), will be at the meetings. Basin studies will be performed down the road to evaluate alternatives to take properties out of the flood plain.

Concern was voiced about a 211 phone line that was set up to handle last weekend's flooding issues rather than people being referred to the 5-2-1 DA. Concern was also voiced on how

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the public can differentiate between flooding from the Colorado River and stormwater runoff. The City of Grand Junction set up the emergency number when they saw the floods coming and didn't associate the flooding of the Colorado River with stormwater drainage. Part of the decision was based on availability of emergency help.

NPDES Permits due June 10th:

These are renewals to the original permits so not a lot of work was needed to prepare them. Basically they are outlines of the original permits. As soon as the renewals are submitted to the State, Eric wants to start working on the transfer of all the permits to the 5-2-1 DA. Julie Constan is in the process of making presentations to the County Commissioners. The City of Grand Junction and Town of Palisade will have similar presentations. The Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners signs the permit for the County so that meeting has already been scheduled for June 2nd at 9:00 a.m.

Transfer of 2 pickup trucks from Drainage District to Drainage Authority:

This item was put on the agenda for the sole purpose of noting the asset transfer in the Board meeting minutes.

Action Items:

Memorandum of Understanding between 5-2-1 Drainage Authority and Mesa County regarding Agent Services Intergovernmental Agreement:

An Executive Session was entered into at the last meeting for the purpose of developing an agreement to provide for severance from employment for the new 5-2-1 DA manager candidate (Eric Mende) should such an event take place. The 5-2-1 DA and the County presented an agreement whereby the 5-2-1 DA would reimburse the County for the severance pay. A Supplemental Employment Agreement between the County and Eric Mende was also presented. There is also a letter offering employment to Eric that has been signed and is awaiting Board approval. These documents address all the issues the Board had at the Executive Session.

Steve Acquafresca moved that the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority and Mesa County and the Supplemental Employment Agreement. Mel Mulder seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

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

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Bank Signature Cards:

Kristi Adams of American National Bank accomplished the signing of the bank cards prior to the meeting.

Reorganize the Board:

After a brief discussion among Board members, it was decided that the organization of the Board will remain the same for one more year. With Jim Doody as Chairman, Dave Walker as Treasurer, Richard Bowman as Secretary, Steve Acquafresca as Assistant Secretary, newly elected Mel Mulder will be the Vice-Chairman. Everyone except the Chairman and the Secretary are considered Assistant Secretaries in case of emergencies.

Dave Walker made the motion to leave the organization of the Board as it is for one more year with Mel Mulder accepting the position of Vice Chairman. Steve Acquafresca seconded the motion.

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

Adjourn:

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Jim Doody, Chairman

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