

Mountain Lakes District Water Committee Meeting  
September 8, 2011

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Purpose of Meeting:

This was the standard monthly meeting of the Water Committee.

The meeting was held at the District Office from 6:02 PM to 7:30 PM on August 31, 2011.

Attendees:

Mountain Lakes Water Committee: Ed Rajsteter – Commissioner, Don Drew-Water Department, Bob Long, Tony Salvucci, Joel Godston, Peter Olander, Ken King  
Other: Mike Bielarski

Background:

The primary purpose of this meeting was to review the outstanding action items of the Water Committee. These minutes will summarize the discussion we had on these action items. A listing of the current projects is contained in a file called WaterComProjects. This file will be updated at our monthly meetings and sent out along with the minutes.

Meeting:

Note: Mike Bielarski was attending the meeting in order to produce an audio recording of the meeting. These recordings will be posted on his web site, [mtlakesnh.org](http://mtlakesnh.org).

The meeting was started by Ed at 6:02 PM.

Ed stated that because we had not received feedback from Bernie Waugh on the WWL contract issues, we would postpone any further discussion on that topic.

The minutes for the August 11<sup>th</sup> and the August 31<sup>st</sup> meetings were approved.

Water Department Update:

Don provided a summary of the current status and ongoing work within the water department. We are currently using about 30,000 gallons per day of water. There was a problem with one of devices that adds chlorine but that was resolved. Don stated that the overall operation of the system was normal.

Don has been working on responding to the latest LOD (letter of deficiency) from the state. We need to do some brush and tree trimming on the lower dam and replace a culvert that was damaged in the spring.

On the Spillway project, Don reported that Shawn Patenaude will be here next Wednesday (Sep 14<sup>th</sup>) at 7:30 AM to complete the layout for the Upper Lake Spillway work and that Kevin Horne hopes to start that same day to do the actual work.

#### Discussion of Action Items:

There are two action items relating to Water System Documentation, Item AI#11 on creating an electronic map and AI#41 on reviewing the current paper documents. The idea of this project is to review current documentation and develop a way to insure that it gets updated as any changes occur. Don has been doing this with the paper documents. There was a discussion about going to an electronic form in order to more easily handle updates. We talked about implementing a GIS system, However, it seems that neither Woodsville or Haverhill have such a system and for Mountain Lakes to create such a system involves significant investments in hardware, software, installation, and training. We decided to put this project on hold until after we get the Spillway project completed and make significant progress on the Water Sources project.

The next action item discussed was AI#13/24 on using Jamie Carr to identify possible new well sites and meeting with Scott Clang on possible enhancements to our current #3 and #4 wells. These actions have been incorporated into the Water Sources project. We have discussed new sites with Claude Cormier and enhancements to current wells with several people.

The next Action Item was AI #16 concerning Dry Hydrants. This was started several months ago. We currently have three dry hydrants, one on valley road, one near the upper lake beach and one near the pool. The one on Valley road is fine. The one near the upper lake beach does work although it sometimes clogs with sand. The one near the pool requires a strong pump. Only Woodsville has such a pump so if someone like Bath was the first responder, it would not work. We wanted to redo the unit. We asked Woodsville Fire Dept to work with us to be sure the new one would work properly for all responders. Woodsville was applying for a grant and said they would get back to us. We also wanted to consider adding another dry hydrant at the Lodge and a possible wet hydrant at the chambers. Ed will send a second letter to Woodsville Fire Dept to try and keep this effort moving along.

The next Action Item was AI#29/30. This was to complete the Mountain Lakes District Water System Conservation Plan (WSCP) as requested by the state. Don had completed this document and sent it to the state. They acknowledged receipt of the plan and were going to send comments on it but never did. Don will contact the state and tell them to consider the initial plan as the final one.

The only other current pending Action Item was AI#39 to review the existing contract with WW&L before meeting with them. This is part of the Water Sources project. A meeting was already held on this and the follow up will be at a future meeting.

We will not be able to meet with WW&L at their September 13<sup>th</sup> meeting so it was agreed to inform them and request a meeting with them in October.

Next Meeting:

The next monthly meeting will be on October 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 AM in the District Office.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Assignments:

1. Meeting minutes (this document) – Ken
2. Review draft meeting minutes – Ed, Don, Bob, Tony, Joel, Peter
3. Send a follow up letter to Woodsville Fire Dept about dry hydrants – Ed
4. Submit final version of the WSCP to the state – Don
5. Notify WWL that we cannot attend their September meeting - Ed