

Town of Bayfield
Special Town Board Meeting
11 W. Mill Street, Bayfield, Co 81122
July 12, 2007

Town Board Present: Russ Jones, Carol Blatnick, Niel Hieb and Daryl Yost. The Mayor is excused for health reasons.

Staff Present: Justin Clifton, Town Manager, and Dirk Nelson, Town attorney.

Opening Ceremonies: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m

This was a joint session called between the Bayfield Sanitation District and the Bayfield Town Board to discuss loading of the sewage lagoons by commercial users.

Agenda Item #1: Commercial Pretreatment:

Comments were given by Mack Coker who said he never would have bought the RV park had he known the truth about the sanitation situation. However, he said he is part of this community and has and will continue to do his part. Also, he mentioned his concerns about costs and time constraints.

Vern Sower spoke and said he does not want to be in the sewer business. He had already spent \$20,000 and would need to spend \$80,000 more to accomplish the required pre-treatment. He would rather pay us money than deal with odors and maintenance. He emphasized he does not want to be in the sewer business.

Kris Oiler said that he made his business decision when there was a deal with the Sanitation District based on flow and not strength. Now everything has changed and he is being asked to spend as much as \$200,000 and that's just for today, not future expansion. He said it all comes down to more time and more money. There are very creative ideas out there but it will take more time and more money.

Don Magill said he appreciated working with Justin and the Town. He was also concerned about the money. The School District budgeted \$100,000 and that was tight already. The \$300,000 bill for pre-treatment would likely mean cutting class rooms.

Daryl moved to enter into Executive Session citing C.R.S. Section 24-6-402 (4) (e), for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and/or instructing negotiators. He also cited C.R.S. Section 24-6-402 (4) (b), for a conference with the City Attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions. Russ seconded. The vote was four to zero. Motion carried.

The Board moved into Executive Session.

After the Special meeting re-convened, Carol moved to require reasonable pre-treatment wherever it can be accomplished at a reasonable cost. Russ seconded. The vote was four to zero, motion carried.

Russ moved to engage a professional firm to conduct a rate study that includes surcharge options. Carol seconded. The vote was four to zero, motion carried.

Motion to adjourn.

Justin Clifton

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