

MEETING REPORT  
REGIONAL SEWER ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2009  
9:00 A.M.

A meeting of the Regional Sewer Advisory Committee was held at the office of Twain Harte Community Services District, 22933 Twain Harte Drive, Twain Harte, California, at 9:00 a.m. The following were in attendance:

Judy Selby	Jamestown Sanitary District
Stephen Willey	Jamestown Sanitary District
Ron Boyd-Snee	Jamestown Sanitary District
Bill Bryant	Twain Harte Community Services District
Scot Moody	Twain Harte Community Services District
Scott Hastings	Twain Harte Community Services District
Joseph Day	Tuolumne Utilities District
Bob Behee	Tuolumne Utilities District
Pete Kampa	Tuolumne Utilities District
Casey Prunchak	Tuolumne Utilities District
Greg Applegate	City of Sonora

Self introductions started the meeting.

**Continue Discussion on the Development of Water and Wastewater Operator Classes through Columbia College**

Judy Selby reported that she doesn't have the latest update on the development of water and wastewater operator classes, noting that Columbia College encountered difficulty finding an instructor to teach the class. Ms. Selby encouraged the members to make a small donation to Columbia College's scholarship program for the water and wastewater program, noting that she intends to send letters to all water and wastewater agencies requesting their individual donation for the class.

Judy Selby indicated that there is a great opportunity to recruit young people into the work environment and study water and wastewater treatment and to make them aware of the numerous possibilities

**Tuolumne Utilities District Update of Activities**

Pete Kampa reported that the District is cleaning Pond #1 at the Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant, to ensure additional capacity. Mr. Kampa indicated that TUD is short on water for the reclamation system, noting that Quartz Reservoir will be at or near zero on staff gauge on September 20, 2009. Mr. Kampa noted even being short in dry years with the reclaimed water; the District still has to expand their outfall system. Mr. Kampa explained that the District is on track for competition of the Sanitary Sewer Management Plan, which is due in August 2009.

Pete Kampa distributed and reviewed the District's sewer lateral ordinance which addresses the sanitary sewer systems recurring problem of receiving excessive inflows during the wet seasons. Mr. Kampa indicated that he intends to meet with the Tuolumne County Association of Realtors, as well as the department head of Tuolumne County and the City of Sonora to receive their concerns and input on the sewer lateral ordinance.

Discussion ensued on how to enforce the sewer lateral ordinance.

Pete Kampa distributed and reviewed the wastewater funds adopted by the TUD Board in July, explaining that the Board recommended that in addition to covering our expenses to establish a rate stabilization fund loss of property tax. The capital improvement projects/capital purchases budget schedule for the wastewater and internal services funds were also reviewed. Mr. Kampa noted that he will provide the members with the subscriber rates as soon developed by the Finance Director.

#### **Jamestown Sanitary District Update of Activities**

Ron Boyd-Snee reported that JSD is currently working on projects for the proposed funds under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

Ron Boyd-Snee reported that representatives from JSD met with TUD to address several concerns that JSD had regarding the adopted sewer rate increase and the current agreement between JSD and TUD that needs to be amended. Mr. Boyd-Snee indicated that the meeting was very productive and he looks forward to a good working partnership with TUD.

#### **Twain Harte Community Services District Update of Activities**

Scot Moody reported that THCSD is currently working on their sewer lateral ordinance and the fats, oils and grease programs, thanking TUD for their assistance.

#### **Open Discussion on Other Regional Issues**

Pete Kampa reported that additional review on his part regarding TUD's standby charges for subscribers was needed, noting that discussion will continue at the next meeting.

Discussion ensued on the need to amend the agreement regarding the sewer system between TUD and JSD. Pete Kampa reported that over the next few months TUD and JSD will meet to review revising the agreement, noting that a statement from TUD will be inserted that requires notification to be sent to JSD, at the same time that we notify our customers, detailing the proposed amount and purpose of the rate increase specific to JSD. Mr. Kampa addressed other issues that will be inserted regarding TUD's notification to JSD regarding increased sewer rates and a statement of collaborative agreement for the use of ESRF's to be reported by JSD to TUD.

#### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, November 19, 2009 at the Tuolumne Utilities District office.