

1 City of Depoe Bay – Gleneden Sanitary District Wastewater Advisory Committee
2 Regular Meeting – Monday, October 3, 2011 – 3:00 PM
3 Depoe Bay City Hall

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5 PRESENT: Don Carr, Pete Erickson, Jack Chiavario, Brad Baines (in audience), Dorinda
6 Goddard, Ted Lewis, Skip Hoytink
7 STAFF: Superintendent T. Owings, Plant Operator G. Walls (in audience), Field Supervisor
8 B. Weidner (in audience), Recording Secretary E. LuMaye (in audience)
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12 I. Call Meeting to Order
13 The meeting began at 3:00 PM.

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15 II. Introduction of New Members
16 After some discussion, those present introduced themselves.

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18 III. Discussion Items
19 • Election of Alternating Chairpersons
20 • Adoption of Meeting Rules and Minutes Timeline
21 • Fogarty Creek Flow Data
22 • Prioritize Open Items from 2005 and Subsequent Meetings
23 • Committee-Contract History
24 • GSD Questions/DB Reply
25 • Advocate the Use of Clinical/Scientific Information versus Past Anecdotal Information
26 • Budget Hurdles
27 • Maintenance Standards
28 • Public Education Program for Sewer Users

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30 There was no consensus whether or not to follow the agenda, and relations between the two halves
31 of the group were strained throughout the meeting. It was noted that the committee is an advisory
32 board and not a decision-making body. A comment was made about the increase in the amount
33 that GBSD (Gleneden Beach Sanitary District) pays to the City of Depoe Bay; a Depoe Bay member
34 responded that costs have increased since 1998, and so has GBSD's share. A GBSD Board
35 member said they wanted an arbitrator because EDUs (Equivalent Dwelling Units) are an unfair
36 way to decide a flow. Owings read the definition of an EDU from HBH Engineering's Wastewater
37 Master Plan Update:

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39 *"A dwelling unit is defined as one typical single-family residential dwelling. Non-residential*
40 *users (commercial, industrial, public facility, etc.) can be described as a number of*
41 *equivalent dwelling units (EDUs) based on their wastewater generation compared to the*
42 *generation of a residential unit. Capacity of a system can be defined based on the ability to*
43 *service a certain number of EDUs and future checks can be made on system capacity at any*
44 *time regardless of the growth patterns that have occurred in residential, commercial, and*
45 *industrial users. This technique is arguably a more accurate and flexible method to*
46 *determine the current and future needs of public facilities than using population estimates*
47 *and projections. Utilizing this technique is especially useful in wastewater planning in*
48 *tourist-driven economies, where the wastewater facilities must not only serve the year-*
49 *round residents, but also the demands of part-time residents, businesses, and tourists."*

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51 There was discussion about the potential difference in cost, with a GBSD member saying they often
52 are only 40% of the flow, although several others present disagreed with this statement. Owings
53 showed a graph from Depoe Bay's new SCADA system, which accurately reflects flows, and said
54 the new system has revealed problems, including a GBSD I & I (inflow & infiltration) problem, and

1 two incidents where GBSD's flow was over the maximum allowed per the Agreement, which twice
2 caused a lift station to overflow, which in turn caused the DEQ (Department of Environmental
3 Quality) to become involved. Owings asked to be excused from the meeting, and left. A GBSD
4 member wanted a full meeting between the Depoe Bay City Council and the GBSD Board in the
5 first week of February, 2012. Inciting words continued to be exchanged between members.
6 Goddard left the meeting after a member said she didn't know enough to speak on the issue. There
7 was more discussion on the issue of EDUs vs. flow. Members could not agree on anything. Owings
8 delivered a note to Lewis indicating that with Goddard having left the meeting, the meeting no
9 longer was able to continue.

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11 IV. Adjourn

12 As there were insufficient members to proceed, the meeting was adjourned at 3:33 PM.

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16 Emma LuMaye, Recording Secretary