

***MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING WORKSHOP OF
BIG BEAR MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
HELD ON THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 2011***

The Open Session workshop began at 9:30 AM. Those in attendance included President Suhay, Director Murphy, Director Fashempour, Director Eminger, Director Smith, General Manager Scott Heule, Lake Manager Mike Stephenson, and Board Secretary Vicki Sheppard.

Discuss the Trout Pond and compile a long list of possible future developments

Mr. Heule made a brief introduction explaining the objective of the workshop (see attached). He updated the Board on the progress of the requests of Staff resulting from the workshop held on May 3rd. He showed the bathymetry maps received from Mapco. He reported on a meeting he had with Janice Etter, City of Big Bear Lake, regarding various options in creating a new parcel that includes the existing house for possible sale. Since much of the property is in a flood plain, there would be obstacles to selling the property that were discussed. He advised that Mr. Stephenson has received one bid to clean up and haul the debris from the property but no other responses to his request for bids have been received. Mr. Stephenson will pursue other bids.

Mr. Larry Cooke addressed the Board. He advised that he had to sell a piece of his property that was downstream of the pond and it was a big problem since it was in the flood plain. He explained that the flood plain study has not been updated for years. He added that the 100 year storm could take out the trout pond property suggesting that the District might want to build a floodway with a soft bottom using rip rap. He added that the District might be able to get some grants to do that project

Mr. Heule reported that the TMDL Task Force is interested in sediment retention suggesting that further conversations with them might be useful. The following projects and actions were identified and prioritized:

Action items for the next 6 months

1. Demolish the bait shack.
2. Remove the vehicles
3. Clear the property of debris and trash
4. Replace and or repair property boundary fencing for security purposes
5. Rebuild the bridge over the top of the dam
6. Drain the pond
 - a. Identify the volume of sediment to be removed
 - b. Eliminate potential vector nuisance
 - c. Inspect the dam and outlet works
7. Discuss potential collaboration with Big Bear Lake TMDL Task Force on Rathbun Creek sediment basin development

Beyond the six month period the Board plans to

1. Excavate sediment from the pond
2. Sell house to generate funds for pond improvement (meet with Real Estate Agents)
3. Further narrow a list of actions which might include
 - a. Construction of an open air multi-purpose meeting venue
 - b. Develop warm and/or cold water fish rearing structures/habitat
 - c. Onsite or regionally connected trail system

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the workshop was adjourned at 11:53 AM.



Vicki Sheppard
Secretary to the Board
Big Bear Municipal Water District

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Lake Vision Statement from April 2010 Workshop –

“The Big Bear Lake vision is a beautiful alpine Lake that will provide extensive habitat for fish and wildlife, a broad range of recreational opportunities for people from throughout the Western United States and is a scenic resource that is appreciated by residents and visitors alike.”

Trout Pond Workshop

Objective: Identify specific actions/activities/projects to pursue over the next 12-24 months and develop a Trout Pond Mission Statement

1. Identify potential development constraints due to flood routing through the property
2. Brain storm potential Trout Pond actions/activities/projects
 - a. Estimate of time to complete (weeks/months/years) for each
 - b. Estimate ballpark cost (<\$10,000; \$10,000 - \$50,000; >\$50,000)
 - c. Identify partners if any
 - d. How action/activity/project will be staffed
 - e. How action/activity/project will be funded
3. Screen projects using Matrix from April 2010 workshop
4. Select top 3-5 action/activities/projects to pursue over the next 12 – 24 months
5. Action Items
 - a. Next steps
 - b. Reporting back to Board
 - c. Timelines