

**DEVIL'S GATE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**  
**July 25, 2008**

STATE OF NEVADA     )  
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COUNTY OF EUREKA    )

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Board of Eureka County Commissioners, sitting as Board of Directors for the Devil's Gate General Improvement District, met pursuant to law on July 25, 2008, during a scheduled break from a special meeting of the Eureka County Board of Commissioners. Present were Chairman Leonard Fiorenzi, Vice Chairperson Donna Bailey, Member Jim Ithurrealde, District Attorney Ted Beutel, and Deputy Clerk & Treasurer, Sara Simmons. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Fiorenzi at 10:05 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Member Ithurrealde motioned to approve the agenda as posted. Member Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The Chairman called for public comments; there were none.

**DEVIL'S GATE BUSINESS**

Update on Devil's Gate Water System: Public Works Director, Ron Damele, reported that everything was working properly with the Devil's Gate water system. There are 13 active customers in District One and 38 active customers in District Two.

Possible Restriction of New Hook-Ups: Mr. Damele reported that the well in District Two has been pumped at full capacity for quite some time. A new well was drilled to alleviate this and produces approximately 200 gpm (gallons per minute). Unfortunately, the new well exceeds federal limits for arsenic levels and will likely not be permitted for municipal use until engineering reports are completed and a plan is established for arsenic remediation.

There are concerns that the current system will not support additional hook-ups while maintaining water capacity for the customers already on line. Mr. Damele and County Engineer, Tom Young, drafted a letter outlining the capacity and present demands on the current system, asking the Board whether a moratorium should be considered on new hook-ups (not including hook-ups approved/installed but not active).

Well #1 is producing 35 gpm, and the pump is running nearly full time to keep up with demand. Pumping tests on this well identified that it could produce 70 gpm and sustain that with a minimal drawdown, but a larger pump will be required to attain this level. The next step will be to investigate whether this will require a power upgrade, but with the power source nearby the cost should be minimal.

Member Ithurrealde motioned to place a moratorium on new hook-ups, not including those approved but not yet active, and directed Public Works and the County Engineer to diligently pursue steps to bring the new well into compliance with the goal of being licensed/ permitted by the State of Nevada for use in the Devil's Gate water system. Member Bailey seconded the motion.

Before calling for a vote, Chairman Fiorenzi asked if other options could delay placing a moratorium on new hook-ups. Mr. Damele stated the Board could direct them to proceed with

a larger pump and motor to increase well capacity, and he and Mr. Young could report on progress within a short timeframe of approximately two to three weeks.

Member Ithurralde agreed to amend his motion by postponing a moratorium at this time, but directing Public Works and the County Engineer to pursue options to increase the water supply and report progress on a regular basis. Member Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairman Fiorenzi called for public comments and there were none.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 10:21 a.m., Member Ithurralde motioned to adjourn the meeting. Member Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Approved this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2008.

/s/ Leonard Fiorenzi  
Leonard Fiorenzi, Chairman

Attest: /s/ Jackie Berg  
Jackie Berg, Clerk