

**EAST WENATCHEE WATER DISTRICT
JOINT BOARD MEETING WITH DOUGLAS COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT**

April 7, 2009

The special joint meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the East Wenatchee Water District and Douglas County Sewer District was held in the District's Office at 692 Eastmont Avenue at 3:00 PM. Members of East Wenatchee Water District present: John Sterk, Mike McCourt and Terry Barnes. Members of Douglas County Sewer District present: Ray Witten and Wayne Barnhart. Others present: Greg Brizendine, Jim Robins, Verla Janes, Jennifer Leonhardt, and Vince Johnston. Guests included, Mayor Steve Lacy, Lori Barnett and Brandon Mauseth, City of East Wenatchee.

Mayor Lacy said that he would like all entities to work at improving coordination and communication for planning, development and common projects. He would like to see a committee meet quarterly to discuss any common projects or issues.

Commissioner Barnhart suggested that one elected official from each entity and staff attend these meetings on a quarterly basis. There would be four entities involved: City of East Wenatchee, Douglas County, Douglas County Sewer District and East Wenatchee Water District. Lori Barnett said that she will organize the first meeting and then the entities would rotate the responsibility of organizing future meetings.

Mayor Lacy brought up the assumption issue and stated that he still thinks it would be a good idea for the City to own and operate the water and sewer utility. However, it does not make sense at this time and he made this decision 2-3 years ago. Commissioner Sterk asked Mayor Lacy to clarify his intentions of the City assuming the Water and Sewer Districts. Mayor Lacy again said that the City's intentions have changed as it would not be practical at this time to assume either District.

The Sewer District had a discussion about who should pay the costs of the sewer main relocation involved in the Valley Mall Pkwy storm water project.

The next regular meeting will be April 15, 2009 at 3:00pm. Commissioner Sterk made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:45pm. Commissioner McCourt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

John Sterk, President

Mike McCourt, Vice President

Terry Barnes, Secretary