

TRADES ADVISORY COUNCIL (TAC)

MINUTES

May 10, 2007

Present were Gail McQuiston, Eba Hobbs, Martha Segal, Mary Ellen Jackson, Marilyn Tidwell, Rick Jones, Jim Paulus, Jim McLean, Lance Hornbuckle, Joe Lewis w/ABI, Gary Ragland, Scott Potter, John Kennedy, Glenn Mizell, Kitty Holbrook, Scott McPencow, Ronnie Russell, and Hal Balthrop.

MWS FY08 Budget Discussion

Scott Potter began the meeting with the MWS budget presentation.

Valve Ops

This process is being reviewed by System Services. The main purpose is to ensure the valves are accessible. A meeting will be held with MWS Engineering next week and the results will be reported at the next TAC meeting.

Cut & Cap Policy Revisions

Copies of the new policy were distributed. Revisions have been made and unless feedback is received within 48 hours, will stand as is. The policy will continue to be reviewed and revisions will be made if deemed necessary.

Service Line Statistics and Letter

Copies of the User's Guide draft were distributed. This is intended to be a procedural guide to the Code language. Hal went over the guide and asked everyone to give their feedback to Mary Ellen.

Revisions to Meter Box Inspections

Copies of the Meter Inspections and Guidelines were distributed. Mary Ellen went over the guidelines. The change is that there will now be a follow-up meter inspection six months after the final inspection passes. The follow-up meter inspection will include integrity of the box, meter, MXU and yard grading immediately around the box. This will be discussed at the next MWS internal meeting to determine who will be responsible if repairs need to be made after the follow-up meter inspection. It was suggested that there be verbiage put on the permit that states the plumber is responsible for the meter box and meter for one year from date of final inspection. If surface features are put over the water service line, MWS is not responsible. Meters typically cannot be installed in the sidewalk or driveway.

Carson Meter Box

These boxes will be approved for use by plumbers. Again, someone will be responsible for the box for one year. Presently, the plumber or person permitting the installation is held responsible. This will be discussed at the next MWS internal meeting.

Summer Meeting Schedule (June and July)

Decision was made to have a meeting in June on the regular third Wednesday of the month and to skip July and August.

Next meeting will take place June 20, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. Location is TBA.