

**Gunnison County Environmental Health Board
Agenda: October 7, 2015**

- 1:15 p.m.** Call to order; determine quorum
- 1:17 p.m.** Approval of minutes from the September 2, 2015 meeting
- 1:20 p.m.** Unscheduled Citizens: A brief period in which the public is invited to make general comments or ask questions of the Board or County Staff about items which are not scheduled on the day's agenda.
- 1:30 p.m.** **Staff-Gunnison County On-site Wastewater Treatment System Regulation**, work session/no action, Article 19: *Crested Butte Watershed OWTS District*, Article 20: Marble OWTS District.
- Old ISDS Regulations
 - New OWTS Regulations

Adjourn

NOTE: Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are conducted in the Blackstock Government Center Meeting Room at 221 N. Wisconsin Street in Gunnison, across the street from the Post Office. Anyone needing special accommodations please contact the Community Development Department (641-0360) before the meeting.

**GUNNISON COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH BOARD
OCTOBER 7, 2015**

The Gunnison County Environmental Health Board conducted a meeting, in the Planning Commission Meeting Room at the Blackstocks Government Center.

Present Were:

Lucinda Lull, Chairperson	Crystal Lambert, Building and EH Official
Eddy Balch, EH Board Member	Charlie Dominguez, EH and Building Inspector
Steve Glazer, EH Board Member Alternate	Beth Baker –Administrative Assistant
Jeff Sallen, EH Board Member	
Rodney Due, EH Board Member	

Absent Were: Ed Bavouset and Larry Parachini

Other attendees as listed in text.

Call to order: A quorum was determined by Lull. The meeting was properly noticed and verified by Lambert. Steve Glazer as an alternate was seated as a voting member for the meeting.

Approval of Minutes: Approval of Minutes from the September 2, 2015 meeting. **Moved by:** Balch, Seconded by Glazer to approve the September 2, 2015 meeting minutes as amended. Voting Yes; Board Members Lull, Balch, Glazer, Sallen and Due.

Unscheduled citizens: Glazer and Due updated the Board members concerning the Standard Mine at Mt. Emmons. Due said there had been a 2,400 gallon spill on October 6, 2015. There will be an EPA briefing with the Crested Butte Town Council concerning the spill. Due noted the spill did not appear to be dangerous although the PH level was determined to be higher following the spill. Glazer said the crew is back and working.

Lull requested clarification on the State plumbing code and the permitting of outhouses in the County. Lambert explained that outhouses are permitted but only when there is a “dry cabin,” with no running water to the cabin.

The Board and Lambert briefly reviewed the County regulations concerning pit privies.

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Lambert explained the staff had been directed by the Environmental Health Board to draft revisions to the Gunnison County OWTS regulations, Article 19: *Crested Butte Watershed OWTS District*, and provide information concerning the cost of various septic system treatment options.

The Board and Lambert reviewed the information prepared by Lambert. Lambert noted the State has approved eight TL2 type systems. The State has approved two TL3N type systems.

Lambert explained the approximate costs to the treatment systems;

- TL1 systems vary in price from \$7,000 to \$15,000
- TL2 systems vary in price from \$15,000 to \$25,000
- TL3 systems vary in price from \$25,000 to \$45,000

Lambert explained that staff had previously proposed the highest level treatment system available, that being TL3N. She has since reconsidered that recommendation. She noted the TL3N systems require access to reliable electricity and are very expensive.

Lambert has researched the available options and now recommends allowing at a minimum the TL2 systems or applying the current Gunnison County OWTS regulations- looking at the site, soils and requiring a permit.

Due said that a TL2 would be the better option. He added that allowing a TL1 would be going backward. Balch agreed with Due.

Balch asked if there were currently any TL2 systems in the Town of Irwin; Lambert said there is one permitted, but the owner does not have a certificate of occupancy yet.

Lambert said the TL2 requires a site specific design and a monitored maintenance program. It is the owner's responsibility to have the system inspected every six months if there are mechanical parts; once a year if there are no mechanical parts.

Lambert explained there will now be required inspections of existing systems in the CB Watershed. They will be conducted on an annual basis, no later than September of each year.

Moved by: Due and Seconded by Balch to accept the staff recommendation of the Revisions to the *Gunnison County OWTS Regulations, Article 19: Crested Butte Watershed District*- to include the insertion in Section 19-104A1, a minimum of TL2 or better. Replace the date August 15, 2014 in Section 19-105A with the date August 20, 1996. The motion passed unanimously, with Lull, Due, Glazer, Sallen, and Balch voting Yes.

The Board of County Commissioners will review this recommendation of the Environmental Health Board, in a public hearing conducted at a later date.

Moved by Balch Seconded by Sallen to adjourn the October 7, 2015 meeting of the Environmental Health Board at 2:30 P.M. The motion passed unanimously with Lull, Due, Glazer, Sallen, and Balch voting Yes.

/S/ Beth Baker
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