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## His Brain, Her Brain

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## Woodmoor Water and Sanitation District, Nov. 14 Manager says rates must increase

*By Bernard L. Minetti*  
During the Woodmoor Water and Sanitation District (WWS) Nov. 14 board meeting, District Manager Jessie Shaffer proposed a 4 percent-plus increase in residential water rates, while a consultant suggested the need for a 6.8 percent increase.

John Gallagher, a representative of Raftelis, a financial consulting company, emphasized the need for a 6.8 percent rate increase.

Shaffer said that rates “must go up!” He later said that only residential ratepayers should experience an increase of about 4 percent-plus, but he emphasized that the increase would exempt commercial water users. He did not explain why commercial users would be exempt. Later, board members discussed the possibility of dividing the increase into two parts across 2014 and 2015. No decision was reached at this meeting.

### New medical facility to serve “underserved population”

Jake Garro, a representative of the Boldt Co., a Milwaukee-based real estate developer, said the company was planning the construction of a 50,000-square-foot medical office building adjacent to the Tri-Lakes YMCA. The Tri-Lakes Community Health Village would provide medical care to the “underserved population.” He noted that the services to be performed extended from “pre-op” to “post-op” and associated procedures and disciplines. The structure would be physically connected to the YMCA facility. Garro came to the meeting to answer any board questions concerning his company’s request that the WWS provide the water needs for this structure.

The company seeks an additional 4 acre-feet of potable water a year, with an option to purchase another 7 acre-feet on an annual basis. The proposed



**Above:** Don Uhl, former Monument mayor and present part owner of the Monument Country Club, asked the district board to review the club’s water contract because a possible buyer wants assurances about water rates. *Photo by Bernard Minetti.*

facility would increase drinking water demand for the expanded building to more than the adjudicated amount of groundwater available for the lot. The additional water rights would come from currently unused WWS groundwater or renewable water reserves that the Boldt Co. would have to buy from Woodmoor to get district and Town of Monument approval for the project. The board asked many questions regarding the facility, but there was no resolution to the additional water request.

### Ratepayer calls for “fairness” in fees

A ratepayer who wished to remain anonymous requested a “fair and equitable” application of the Renewable Water Investment Fees (RWIF) to ratepayers. The RWIF is a fixed fee that is applied to all ratepayer bills to finance a bond issue for transport and treatment of the district’s renewable water for use by Woodmoor’s customers. He noted that the fees were determined by the type of a ratepayer’s structure rather than proportionate water

use. He stated that it would be fairer to ratepayers to apply the RWIF on a water-consumption basis.

Board President Barrie Town said he would take the matter under advisement. The anonymous ratepayer asked how the board arrived at the present RWIF rate payment structure. Town responded that their “consultants” advised them to do it this way. The explanation by Town apparently did not satisfy the anonymous ratepayer.

### Monument Country Club might be sold

Don Uhl, who said he was the Monument mayor from 1978 to 1982 and part owner of the Monument Country Club, advised the board that the club might be sold to an investor who was willing to put a considerable sum of money into the site providing there was a workable contract for water. He asked the board to consider this request. Town was noncommittal in his reply but indicated that the request would be examined.

### September water report

WWS provided 25.2 million gallons of potable water in September. “Unaccounted water” amounted to 3.2 million gallons. A net water amount of 19.7 million gallons was billed to ratepayers. No explanation was provided to justify the “unaccounted water,” which is part of the cost of water production and is part of each ratepayer’s bill.

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The next meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 12, in the WWS building located at 1845 Woodmoor Drive in Monument. Meetings are normally held on the second Thursday of each month. For further information regarding the meetings, contact the WWS office at 719-488-2525, Extension 0. Email updates may be obtained by signing up at [www.woodmoorwater.com](http://www.woodmoorwater.com).

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## Monument Sanitation District, Nov. 21

# \$400,000 in revenue bonds approved for new equipment

*By Jim Kendrick*  
On Nov. 21, the Monument Sanitation District board unanimously approved issuing \$400,000 in revenue bonds to pay for the district’s one-third ownership share of the \$2 million planning/engineering/construction cost (\$669,000) for installation of new phosphorus removal equipment at the Tri-Lakes Wastewater Treatment Facility.

Construction of this chemical treatment expansion will start in 2014 and must be completed, including operational testing, by May 2016 as a condi-

tion of the state’s \$1.08 million in nutrient grants for this project. Monument’s share of the state nutrient grants is \$360,000. The district’s revenue bonds will be issued in December while the district still retains its enterprise status. The grant total of \$360,000 exceeds the district’s TABOR grant limit of 10 percent of its \$500,000 annual operating budget revenues—\$50,000.

This facility expansion has been mandated by the state Water Quality Control Commission’s new nutrient Control Regulation 85 that the commission approved

in June 2012. Regulation 85 created an unprecedented statewide wastewater treatment facility discharge permit limit of 1.0 milligram per liter (mg/l) for total phosphorus starting in 2017 for all eight geographic regions in Colorado. The Tri-Lakes facility already meets the total inorganic nitrogen discharge permit limit of 15.0 mg/l in Regulation 85 starting in 2017.

### Financing options for new requirements

The Tri-Lakes facility operates as a separate public utility and is