

# WATER AND SEWER EXPANSION AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date:June 8, 2011Time:2:00 p.m.Location:City Hall/Don Davis Room

#### Attendees:

Al Sinclair, Susan Rudd, Lawrence Jones, Heather Duncan and Chris Creed

Al Sinclair called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. with quorum. The board members approve the minutes from the May board meeting. The chairman, Al Sinclair passed the floor to Fred Odom, Executive Director for a WSEA. The update is listed below in detail.

#### **General Update**

- 1. Lincoln Villa Pilot Project 1 and 2: no change from last meeting
- **2.** Sunset of WSEA is on target for June 30, 2011, and has been a very smooth transition with the help of COJ, JEA and especially OGC.

#### **Other Items for Discussion**

Al Sinclair- Introduced Mark Mummaw, Executive Director, for the Tree Hill Nature Center. He introduced himself and explained he had worked for Tree Hill for the past 15 year. Thanked the board for concessions over the past few years, and asked if the board would consider dissolving the Tree Hill loan or reduce the fee again as they have done in years past. He believed that the loan was a mistake from the beginning. He stated that they had planned to build the amphitheatre, and plans for the projected had shown an existing sewer stub out. So they decided to move forward with that project, only find that there wasn't a stub out there. That was when they came to the WSEA board to see if there was anything they could do to help with their situation. They believed it was a misunderstanding that forced them to move forward with the loan in the first place. He made clear that Tree Hill was in the green on the books, and they were up to date on all other bills. However, they are running on a very tight budget and would like to be able to dissolve this loan so they can use that money to do other things that will benefit Tree Hill Nature Center. Al Sinclair explained to Mr. Mummaw that this was the last WSEA board meeting, and as a group, they no longer had the authority to make this decision. The WSEA board said they would pass this information onto the Mayor's office and City Council to see if there was anything they would like to do moving forward. Fred Odom stated that they were current on their reduced loan of \$500 a month, and encouraged them to continue to pay that amount until forward consideration was made by COJ. Mr. Mummaw acknowledged that and agreed.

# Request for Comment

None

### **Closing statement for the last WSEA Board Meeting**

Fred Odom closed the meeting by thanking and recognizing the board for all their hard work and dedication over the years. He said that WSEA had made some sincere accomplishments over the past 8 years, and was proud of what they had achieved. He thanked Nancy Kilgo (who was present) and Kerri Stewart for the early involvement and formation of the WSEA. He thanked Sherry Hall (who was present) for the dedicated years she worked with the authority, as well as the current staff (Jenny McCollum and Danny Turner) for their continued involvement and role in making the authority what it is today.

## Meeting adjourned.