



WATER AND SEWER EXPANSION AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: December 14, 2005
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Location: JEA Board Room, Tower 8

Attendees:

Jeanell Wilson, Chair
John Craddock, Vice Chair
Dr. Chester Aikens
Lawrence Jones
Harriet McDonald
Susan Rudd
Al Sinclair

Chair Wilson called the meeting to order / quorum determined. The Board approved the minutes from the November 9, 2005 Board Meeting.

General Items/Discussion/Questions

Program Delivery Team (PDT)

The top firm is now selected; the WSEA team is still in negotiations with that firm, which is Global Infrastructure Resource Management, LLC (GIRM). Mr. John Geise, who is President/CEO of Global Water Resource Management, LLC partnered with experts (GIRM) for this project work. Mr. Geise has an extensive background of completing City/JEA projects with dollar savings. Construction management and finance is Mr. Geise's areas of expertise.

Funding Update

Mr. Odom is absent today; he is in Washington DC meeting with Representative Corrine Brown and others to discuss achieving requested WSEA Grants. Distribution of WSEA Grants Status, December 14, 2005, highlights the following:

- Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) - \$25 Million
- State and Tribal Assistance Grant (STAG) – Future - \$2 Million
- State Revolving Fund (SRF) - \$2 Million

Interlocal Agreement

The draft agreement remains in the hands of the city. Mr. Odom will meet with a representative of city on December 15, 2005 to inquire the status of the agreement.

Partnership with EQD / Health Department / TAT

Will also bring in the Planning Department, and will consider including others that may benefit the group. Monthly meetings will occur. The group to ensure consistency will review rules and regulations. There will be suggestion for legislation to make rules/regulations more stringent. Board members can attend the monthly group meetings; however, Ms. Hall must receive advance notice due to public notice requirements. All permitting regulations will be brought back to the Board to provide greater clarification.

New Project Presentation

Hendricks Day School – Sewer – District 4 – Additional information provided for review:

- This project was presented to the Board last month. New information arrived at the WSEA late afternoon December 13, 2005. The WSEA Finance Committee will meet January 11, 2005 to discuss the project.

Cannon Street – Water (District 10)

New project – request Board approval to continue. Highlights of project:

- 400 LF of 4” water main
- Three interested homeowners
- Preliminary total cost estimate: \$21,120
- Estimated cost per homeowner (after 30% subsidy): \$4,928
 - Council Member Mia Jones stated she has a constituent within this area with concerns of why he has not been contacted to join in the project when others in the neighborhood were contacted. Council Member Jones stated to vote on the project today and requested Ms. Hall to contact the constituent to discuss the matter.

Motion to approve the Resolution of Project Approval for the Cannon Street Project was given by Mr. Sinclair, seconded by Ms. Rudd, and voted in favor of all Board Members.

Status of Current Projects

Triangle Estates – Sewer – restoration work is in the completion phase; finalizing total costs.

Lavilla Sportsman Club – Sewer – contracts finalized; construction nearing completion. Work should be done in January 2006.

Wagner Road – Water and Sewer – on hold – waiting to hear back from church (Hope Chapel) about methods to utilize. WSEA will mail a letter outlining all attempts to have them contact the WSEA.

Iroquois/Milam and Country Club/Forest Park – Sewer – bid results due on December 20, 2005. Beginning to prepare contracts with just the dollar amounts and such to be filled in.

Pine Forest – Sewer – project is under construction. The project is going very well, and is 40% complete.

McGlothin/Buttercup – Water – finalizing construction loan agreement.

Shakir Economy Motel – Sewer – finalizing contract documents.

Unitarian Universalist Church – proceeding for standard council approval.

Media Update

Florida Times Union, November 27 “Septic Tanks: What Stinks?” Copy of article distributed for review and file. Comments:

- Great article = good press
- Council Member Jones: working on stopping septic tanks in the areas already determined as failure/nuisance area:
 - o Looking at the current rules and regulations for appropriation.
 - o There are concerns for some residents that if new septic tanks are put in those areas, it lowers the need for that area to be classified as failure.

River Impact Subcommittee Update

Reviewed and determined that the focus of the subcommittee is nothing other than septic tanks, and that the need for education to the public for awareness of concerns is most important.

Other Items for Discussion

Next Board Meeting is scheduled for January 11, 2006, City Hall Committee Room A.

Request for Public Comment

None.

Meeting adjourned.