

**WATER AND SEWER EXPANSION AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Date: June 11, 2008
Time: 2:00 P.M.
Location: City Hall, Committee Room A

Attendees:

Jeanell Wilson, Chair
John Craddock, Vice Chair
Lawrence Jones
Harriet McDonald
Al Sinclair

Chair Wilson called the meeting to order / quorum determined. The Board approved the minutes from the May 14, 2008 Board Meeting.

General Update

1. Nutrient Quantification Study- Representatives from WSEA, the Mayor's Office and SJRWMD met last week to discuss future funding. \$7 million has been preserved for the river. Small CIBR grant may have gotten cut, per the Mayor's office, and will be confirmed soon.
2. BJP S.T.P.O. Oakwood Villas-Pre-construction meeting held last week. The pre-construction video work is in progress. Construction equipment will be on site within the next 10 working days.
3. Lincoln Villas Pilot Project- Purchase Order for Phase 1 has been issued to Mittauer & Associates.
4. Municipality Study- Draft report was presented by CMC to WSEA last Wednesday. Follow up workshop scheduled for Thursday.
5. SSI Data Management-Draft Report presented by CMC last Wednesday. Follow up workshop scheduled for Thursday, June 12.
6. Spend Plan- WSEA is under budget, but moving forward with expenditures and encumbrances.
7. SJRWMD-Kirby Green plus two of his senior representatives were present at the meeting last week with the WSEA. Meeting went well and SJRWMD is on board to help find more funds for WSEA. All money goes through SJRWMD except federal and WRDA funds.

Other Items for Discussion

Fred Odom stated that the board would need to approve next year's budget at the July board meeting. Jeanell Wilson requested for all members to receive a copy of the budget in advance for review.

Jeanell Wilson also asked if other committees are going for the same \$7 million for the river funding. Jenny McCollum stated that the city will decide who receives funding depending on how a committee can help the river. Harriet McDonald asked how the city will know which septic tanks are impacting the river. Fred Odom stated that they do not look at specific septic tanks but areas in Duval County which are impacting the river. The Nutrient study will show specifically where these areas are located. Mr. Sinclair asked if there is any database that shows where septic tanks are located along the river. Mr. Odom explained that all septic tanks have been located including along the river. A map showing this information will be included at next month's board meeting. Mr. Craddock questioned the accuracy of the location of septic tanks. Mr. Odom explained that the data has been captured to the best of the WSEA's ability, using the GIS database as well as other supporting systems. Mr. Odom and Mrs. McCollum also stated that the Nutrient study will focus on septic tank failure areas as well as where the tributaries lead to.

Request for Public Comment

Mr. Chris Lenahan from the audience asked which areas are impacted most by failing septic tanks. Mr. Odom explained that most failing areas are located in lower income areas with poor drainage. Mr. Lenahan asked if those failing areas are located near the river. Mr. Odom stated that most all failing areas are close to tributaries which impact the river.

Next Meeting

July 9, 2008- City Hall Committee Room A

Meeting adjourned