



WATER AND SEWER EXPANSION AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: July 12, 2006
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Location: City Hall, Committee Room A

Attendees:
Jeanell Wilson, Chair
Susan S. Rudd, P.E.
Lawrence Jones
Harriet McDonald
Al Sinclair

Chair Wilson called the meeting to order / quorum determined. The Board approved minutes from the June 14, 2006 Board Meeting.

Program Delivery Team Update

Mr. Odom explained that the PDT is fully engaged. The expectations have been exceeded of progress already made. A Task Authorization has been issued in order to gain funding. TA1 is a 60-day program to put deliverables of entire contract together. The full budget is not available as of yet but more progress has been made than expected so far. The WSEA's fiscal budget runs out on September 30. Mr. Odom's trip to DC last month was very successful and was able to pick up \$500,000 in extra funding. WRDA funding has been held up in congress. Mr. Odom is optimistic that we will receive the WRDA funding soon.

River Accord

An invitation went out to 500 recipients for the Mayor's river initiative announcement on July 27. The program has been evolving within the last six months. The PDT is instrumental in helping with the River Accord. The resolution to the Mayor's office that Mrs. McDonald headed up was very well received. The EPA Regional Administrator, Mr. Jimmy Palmer, will be present at the event. After July 27, Mr. Odom will present in detail what the entire River Accord is specifically about.

Mr. Odom introduced Fred Forbes, the new City Council Auditor who will be working closely with the WSEA.

New Project Presentations

Beauclerc Bay Apartments (water) - requesting loan in the amount of \$176,000. Mr. Sinclair could not recommend approval for the project to proceed forward. Several factors for this include: a large loan the project has already borrowed, the value of the property and a questionable appraisal. With more updated financial statements and an appraisal by a reputable, commercial appraiser, Mr. Sinclair would be willing to take another look at the project. Deferred until next month.

Shakir Economy Motel (water)- requesting a loan in the amount of \$20,000. Mr. Sinclair reviewed loan application from May 2005. He was impressed by the cash flow and net income after 2005 in addition to adding 11 new rooms and not using them due to not having proper sewage facilities. He recommends approving \$20,000 for Mr. Shakir. **Mrs. Wilson motioned to approve loan for \$20,000 to Mr. Shakir. Motion was seconded by Mr. Sinclair and voted in favor by all other members present.**

Status of Current Projects

- Forest Park-sewer-Under construction. Expected completion date is March 2007.
- Pine Forest-sewer-Construction is complete. Homeowners are beginning to connect to the system.
- McGlothin/Buttercup – Water – Construction is complete. Homeowners are connecting to system.
- Shakir Economy Motel-sewer- Lift station has been installed and the property is being connected this week.
- Hendricks Day School –sewer -Contracts were sent to school in May. They have returned their survey but are still working on their title search.
- Unitarian Universalist Church –sewer- Contracts were sent to the church last month. They have not yet been returned. They are working on an updated survey to submit with the contracts.
- Church Fellowship Worship- sewer- Contracts were sent to the church last month. They have not yet been returned.
- D&W Electric-water and sewer-Approved by the Mayor’s Budget Review Committee and is scheduled for final council vote on August 8th.
- Metto and Glendale Roads (water)-Letters of intent were mailed last month but have not yet been returned. Once we receive the signed letters we will proceed for council approval.

Other Items for Discussion

Cheryl Drive Update- Mrs. McDonald voiced her concern for the septic tanks on Cheryl Drive. Installing a low pressure system is not an option therefore the only other option is a gravity system, which is very costly. Mrs. McDonald is concerned about the homes along the river on septic tanks and not having a way financially to eliminate them.

Items for Next Meeting

Next meeting will be at 2 p.m. on August 9, 2006, City Hall Committee Room A

Request for Public Comment

None.

Meeting adjourned.