

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
RONALD WASTEWATER DISTRICT
FEBRUARY 22, 2011

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Ronald Wastewater District was convened at the District office at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 22, 2011 by Board President Wadekamper. In attendance were Commissioners Brian Carroll, Arnold Lind and Arthur Wadekamper. Also present were General Manager Michael Derrick, Maintenance Manager George Dicks, District Counsel Joseph P. Bennett was absent, and Scott Christensen, District Engineer. No members of the public were present.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Additions/Adjustments to Agenda?

- 5) Briarcrest 2 Change Order.
- 6) Dept of Revenue Tax Appeal Update.

Handouts

- A. Legal and Engineering Monthly Expenses Recap.

Minutes of the Board Meeting of February 8, 2011, Final. The Board reviewed minutes provided by Mr. Derrick for the regular meeting of February 8, 2011. Upon motion by Commissioner Carroll, and second by Commissioner Lind, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the February 8 regular meeting. The Commissioners then signed the approved minutes.

1. Vouchers. Mr. Derrick presented and the Board discussed the Vouchers. The Board then considered Vouchers in the aggregate amount of \$1,168,851.52 broken down as follows: (a) AP Vouchers #0110119 through #0110156 in the amount of \$1,110,942.00; (b) AP Voucher #0011014 (payroll) in the amount of \$166.24; (c) ACH Payroll of \$26,818.66; (d) Payroll taxes of \$9,636.94; and (e) Excise Taxes of \$21,287.68. Upon a motion by Commissioner Carroll, and second by Commissioner Lind, the Board approved all of the Vouchers presented by a vote of 3-0.

2. Journal Adjustments. Mr. Derrick presented the proposed Journal Adjustments of \$135.49 for December of 2010. Upon motion by Commissioner Carroll, and second by Commissioner Lind, the Board voted 3-0 to approve the Journal Adjustments in the amount of \$1,459.40. The Commissioners then initialed the adjustments.

3. Financial Report. Mr. Derrick distributed the pre-year end closing balance sheet summary as of December 31, 2010, and revenue and expense report summaries. He also distributed a copy of the King County Investment Pool report. He pointed out that the revenue increase for 2010 was the result of GFC revenue collected for the Echo Lake Development. He further stated that the report does not reflect the bond payment made in January 2011.
4. Accounts in Bankruptcy. Mr. Derrick presented a summary of the customer accounts that are currently in bankruptcy.
5. Briarcrest 2 Change Order. Mr. Christensen reported to the Board that the pipe bursting along NE 146th St had resulted in about 160 feet of sewer mainline being raised 7/10th of a foot above its previous level. He speculated that the existing ditch bottom and sides were undisturbed soil, thus quite hard, while the backfill above the pipe was native material that did not compact after the initial installation of the sewer main, hence being soft. As a result of these unknown and unforeseeable soil conditions, the HDPE pipe rose up rather than following the course of the existing and now displaced pipe.

Mr. Christensen recommended that the HDPE pipe be dug up and replaced with PVC at the proper line and grade. The cost submitted by Landis and Landis, the contractor, to do this work is approximately \$46,000.00. On motion by Commissioner Carroll, and seconded by Commissioner Lind, the Board approved the change order of approximately \$46,000.00 and authorized the General Manager to sign the Change Order. Mr. Derrick also brought to the Board's attention that the cut and cover work required by the change order would result in higher asphalt restoration costs. The increase would be approximately \$5,000.00 but would be covered under the contract bid item, asphalt restoration.

Regarding the Echo Cove Bypass Project, Mr. Christensen presented to the Board an application submitted by CHS Engineers to the American Society of Engineers, Seattle Chapter for the Echo Cove Bypass Project. CHS Engineers believes the project is worthy of winning the Civil Engineering Project of the Year.

6. Department of Revenue; Tax Appeal. Mr. Derrick reported that the tax appeal would be going before the Administrative Law Judge tomorrow, February 23, 2011. He would keep the Board informed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

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LEGAL REPORT

None.

RESOLUTIONS

None.

PERSONNEL

None.

MAINTENANCE REPORT

None.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Commissioner Lind expressed concern about and opposition to HB 1407 and SB 5248 that propose to take away the peoples' right to vote when a city proposes to acquire by purchase a water system from another city. The other Board members concurred. They expressed a determination to contact their legislators and express their concerns.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Derrick reported that the District would be making a panel presentation at the WASWD Fall Conference. He, Mr. Christensen, and a Board member would make the presentation. Commissioner Carroll expressed a willingness to be part of the panel. Mr. Derrick said the details of the presentation would be developed soon.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

None.

CONCLUSION

There being no further business, President Wadekamper concluded the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

APPROVED in open meeting: This ____ day of February, 2011.

Arnold H. Lind,
Secretary/Commissioner

Brian T. Carroll,
Vice-President/Commissioner

Arthur L. Wadekamper,
President/Commissioner