

**EAST WENATCHEE WATER DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

December 17, 2008

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the East Wenatchee Water District was held in the District's Office at 692 Eastmont Avenue at 3:00 PM. Members present: John Sterk, Mike McCourt and Terry Barnes. Others present: Greg Brizendine, Mike Arch, Randy Asplund, Vince Johnston, Jennifer Leonhardt and Dave Smith. Guests arrived at 4:10pm: Don Boxford, Tony Yancey and Lana Granger

The meeting minutes of December 10, 2008, regular board meeting were presented. A motion was made by Commissioner Barnes to accept the meeting minutes as presented and seconded by Commissioner Sterk. Motion carried unanimously.

Voucher No. 4852 to 4907 in the amount of \$86,128.81 were presented. Commissioner Sterk made a motion approving the vouchers. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner McCourt made a motion nomination Commissioner Barnes as Secretary of the Board for 2009. Commissioner Sterk seconded the motion. Commissioner McCourt made a motion nominating Commissioner Sterk as President of the Board for 2009. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion. Commissioner Sterk made a motion nominating Commissioner McCourt as Vice President of the Board for 2009. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion. All motions carried unanimously.

Dave gave an update of the District insurance. Due to underwriting issues with Asuris, the District must have all employees with Asuris or with the new proposed plan PEBB. The District cannot split the two insurances among the employees. There was a discussion and Commissioner Sterk made a motion that the District use PEBB starting January 1, 2009. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Randy gave Greg the scope and budget agreement for the 35th St NW watermain replacement. This Douglas County project will be on 35th St NW between SR28 and Cascade. The cost of the scope and budget is \$23,180. Commissioner Sterk made a motion authorizing Greg to sign the agreement. Commissioner McCourt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Greg went over a Sewer District letter regarding their sewer main project in the vicinity of Columbia & 23rd St NW. The District owns a one acre parcel on 23rd and the local facilities charge is \$40,044.94. We do not have to connect to the sewer system nor pay the assessment until time of connection. There was a discussion and the interest for 10 years is 1½%. Greg said that the District will likely sell or surplus this property in the future and the assessment would likely be paid at the that time. The Commissioners agreed.

Greg said that during the summer the Stoneridge condos at 1380 Eastmont Ave had some water use on their detector check meter. After further investigation, it was discovered that they were running eight irrigation stations off their private fireline. This water has not been metered. A few of the condo owners met with Greg and offered to pay \$8,000 (the approx cost of the water for the last two years) and not fix the problem. The Commissioners do not agree with that. The problem should be resolved. The Commissioners would like Greg to tell the condo owners that we will charge them the cost of water plus 25% for the last two years, which would approximately be \$4,000 and they need to remove the irrigation connections from the 8" fire line to resolve the problem.

Greg informed the Commissioners that Douglas County moved one of their projects on 23rd to 27th on Baker to 2009 instead of 2010 or 2011. This will increase add to the anticipated projects on page 3 of our budget. The Commissioners agreed with this.

Commissioner Sterk made a motion to start executive session at 4:15pm to discuss union negotiations. Commissioner McCourt seconded the motion. Commissioner McCourt made a motion to resume regular session at 6:05pm. Commissioner Sterk seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. No decisions made.

The next regular meeting will be January 7, 2009 at 3:00pm. Commissioner McCourt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:10pm. Commissioner Sterk seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mike McCourt, President

John Sterk, Vice President

Terry Barnes, Secretary