

**EAST WENATCHEE WATER DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

June 16, 2010

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 3:00pm. Members present: Mike McCourt, Terry Barnes and Brian Egan. Others present: Greg Brizendine, Randy Asplund, Chuck Zimmerman, Vince Johnston, Jeff Johnston, Dave Smith and Jennifer Leonhardt. Guests included: Jim Robins-DCSD, Dave Bremmer and Martin Davy.

The meeting minutes of June 2, 2010, regular board meeting and special board meeting June 9, 2010 were presented. A motion was made by Commissioner Barnes to accept the meeting minutes and seconded by Commissioner Egan. Motion carried unanimously.

Vouchers No. 6591 to No. 6592 in the amount of \$27,440.65 and Vouchers No. 6593 to 6600 in the amount of \$66,594.35 and Vouchers No. 6601 to 6642 in the amount of \$26,497.05 were presented. Commissioner Egan made a motion approving the vouchers. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

As directed by both Boards, Jim Robins and Greg had a proposed scope and fee estimate done for a merger feasibility study by Inslee Best & FCS Group. The estimated cost for this is \$35,000 to \$45,000. Commissioner Egan asked if there were other consultants (legal & financial) that do this type of work. Jim and Greg are not aware of any others, but will check into that. The Commissioners agreed, at Jim Robins' request, to meet with the Sewer Commissioners on July 14, 2010 at 3:00pm to discuss the proposal for the merger feasibility study.

Greg presented Resolution No. 611—Approving the District to make payment of certain bills prior to board approval. Chuck went over the provisions in the Resolution. Commissioner Barnes made a motion approving the Resolution as written. Commissioner McCourt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Greg told the Commissioners that Martin Davy is developing 38 one-acre lots south of 12th ST SE. Commissioner Egan recused himself from the discussion and left the room, as he is friends with Dave Bremmer, one of the owners of this area. Martin indicated the developers have purchased and are attempting to transfer a water right to the property in order to develop a 'Group A' water system. Martin said that the application for the water right transfer has been denied by the Dept of Ecology and they are in the process of appealing that decision. Martin told the Commissioners that the first 14 lots can be served by an exempt well. Martin would like the District to provide a letter of water availability for the development in case he is unsuccessful in transferring the water right. Following a lengthy discussion, the Commissioners indicated a willingness to work on a recordable agreement acceptable to the District on the following conditions. The water availability will be contingent upon the developer showing that carriers for the potential future installation of 8" ductile iron pipe (minimum District Standard) can be located appropriately in the first phase. There will be a requirement that all lots be connected to the District water system if the District's water is initially used. If not connected initially, there will be a requirement to connect to the District's water system when a District mainline serving the property is within 2000 feet of the property. The developer would be required to reimburse the District for all attorney and/or engineering time expended on the letter of water availability and drafting the agreement. No formal action was taken by the Board on this matter.

Randy gave an update of the Baker Flats ULID. The contractor is still finishing up the punch list. Greg said that there are two change orders left to approve. Change order No. 11 is a credit for \$15,000. Change order No. 12 is the final change order for the \$26,000 and 21 additional working days that were negotiated earlier to satisfy the disputed claims. Commissioner Barnes made a motion approving the change orders. Commissioner Egan seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Randy handed out a preliminary final project cost summary for the Baker Flats ULID. Randy said that it looks like we are still slightly under the original projected cost for the project. The assessment for the property owners in the ULID will likely be around \$7,000 and the costs and final assessments will be refined over the next few weeks. Greg said that the District is planning on finalizing the ULID in August instead of July in order to give more time to property owners to review the assessments and schedule time to attend the final assessment hearing, if they elect to.

Greg and Randy will also review the properties where the property owners notified the District that they objected to their property being assessed. This will be given to the Commissioners for review.

Greg said that RH2 has a professional service agreement for 2010 small main replacements. There are four main replacements to be bid as single contract and RH2 proposes a not to exceed contract in the amount of \$82,977 for their services. Commissioner Egan made a motion authorizing Greg to sign the agreement. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Greg also told the Commissioners that NCW Land Surveying will do the survey work for our small main replacement areas. The cost of the survey work is \$9,500. Commissioner Barnes made a motion authorizing Greg to sign the agreement with NCW Surveying. Commissioner Egan seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Greg told the Commissioner that Hammond, Collier, Wade, Livingstone did the material testing for Grant Rd. The agreement for the testing is hourly and as of this date, it has cost \$1,700. Commissioner Barnes made a motion authorizing Greg to sign the agreement. Commissioner McCourt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Greg told the Commissioners that he received change order no. 2 for the Grant Rd project, in the amount of \$3,355.83, from Pipkin. This change order was discussed at the last regular meeting regarding the utilities that were unknown and not marked. Commissioner Barnes made a motion authorizing Greg to sign the change order. Commissioner Egan seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Greg informed the Commissioners that Pipkin encountered several areas of unknown and unmarked utilities, additional traffic control due to the rainy weather and additional asphalt placed because the original asphalt was deeper than expected. The District is waiting for Pipkin to complete their work and provide the written documentation for the additional costs. The District's inspector has witnessed all the additional work.

The WASWD Section 1 meeting is this Friday, June 18, 2010 in Moses Lake. Commissioner McCourt will attend.

Greg reminded the Commissioners that interviews for potential attorneys are June 30, 2010, 9:00am.

Commissioner Egan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:40pm. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The next regular meeting will be July 7, 2010 at 3:00pm. Greg and Vince will be on vacation.

Mike McCourt, President

Brian Egan, Vice President

Terry Barnes, Secretary