

ORANGE WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

NOVEMBER 10, 2011

The Board of Directors of the Orange Water and Sewer Authority (OWASA) held a regular business meeting on Thursday, November 10, 2011, at 7:00 P.M., in OWASA's Community Room at 400 Jones Ferry Road, Carrboro.

Directors present: Gordon Merklein, Chair; Alan Rimer, Vice Chair; Amy Witsil, Secretary; Fred Battle; Terri Buckner; Will Raymond; Dana Stidham; and John A. Young. Director absent: William Stott.

OWASA staff: Ed Kerwin; John Greene; Mason Crum; Stuart Carson; Patrick Davis; Greg Feller; Ed Holland; Heidi Lamay; Andrea Orbich; Stephen Winters; and Robert Epting, Esq., Epting and Hackney.

Others present: Ben Poulson, Associate Director of Energy Services, and Meg Holton, Water, Wastewater, and Stormwater Manager of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; and Jake Klein, UNC Journalism student.

There being a quorum present, Chair Gordon Merklein called the meeting to order.

MOTIONS ACTED UPON

1. Alan Rimer made a motion to approve the Minutes of the October 27, 2011 Closed Session of the Board of Directors for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter; the motion was seconded by Fred Battle, and carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM ONE: ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Gordon Merklein said any Board Member who knows of a conflict of interest or potential conflict of interest with respect to any item on the agenda tonight is asked to disclose the same at this time. There were none.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Gordon Merklein said that the Outreach and Education Committee will met on Thursday, November 17, 2011 at 9:00 A.M. in the OWASA Boardroom to continue review of the Public Engagement Program.

Mr. Merklein also said that the Natural Resources/Technical Systems Committee will meet on Tuesday, November 29, 2011 at 3:30 P.M. in the OWASA Boardroom to discuss the Water and Sewer Management, Planning and Boundary Agreement and the Upper Neuse Clean Water Initiative.

ITEM TWO: PUBLIC PETITIONS AND REQUESTS

Gordon Merklein asked for petitions and requests from the public; there were none.

ITEM THREE: BOARD PETITIONS AND REQUESTS

Terri Buckner petitioned the Board to invite Mr. Tom Fransen, Deputy Director of the North Carolina Division of Water Resources, to a future Board meeting to discuss the Jordan Lake allocation process.

The Board referred this petition to its Natural Resources/Technical Systems (NRTS) Committee, which will meet on November 29, 2011 and then make a recommendation back to the full Board. In the meantime, staff agreed to compile a list of Board members' questions for consideration by the NRTS Committee and possible referral to Mr. Fransen.

ITEM FOUR: STAFF PETITIONS AND REQUESTS

Gordon Merklein asked for petitions and requests from the staff; there were none.

ITEM FIVE: SEMIANNUAL STATUS REPORT FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS INCLUDING QUARTERLY REPORT ON COMMUNICATION PLANS FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS

The Board received this item as an information item.

ITEM SIX: MINUTES

Alan Rimer made a motion to approve the Minutes of the October 27, 2011 Closed Session of the Board of Directors for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter; the motion was seconded by Fred Battle, and carried by unanimous vote. Please see Motion No. 1 above.

ITEM SEVEN: PROPOSED PEPAYMENT OF WATER METER, SERVICE INSTALLATION AND SERVICE AVAILABILITY FEES FOR THE HISTORIC ROGERS ROAD AREA

Without objection, the Board agreed with staff's recommendation that Orange County set up a reserve fund for installing the necessary infrastructure to deliver water service to 67 property owners of the Historic Rogers Road neighborhood that were identified in an October 3, 2011 Board of County Commissioners meeting. Orange County and OWASA staff will work

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together to establish a process that will be as simple as possible for property owners to take advantage of the County's offer to fund connections to water service.

Ed Kerwin will contact Frank Clifton, Orange County Manager, regarding the Board's decision.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.