

July 13, 2009

Sanitary District #1

The Sanitary District meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m.

Present: Randy Leiker, Mike Woods, Tom Becher, and Dan Garber. Andy Peters was excused.

The agenda was properly posted.

Review and approve the June Sanitary District minutes.

Mike Woods made a motion to approve the June meeting minutes. Tom Becher seconded the motion and it was carried.

Review and approve the July Sanitary District vouchers.

Dan Garber made a motion to approve the July vouchers. Tom Becher seconded the motion and it was carried.

Public participation – comments and/or questions.

Jeff Kellner spoke about the water tank bid at last meeting. He brought up about the alternate bid for the spheroid tank which cost less than the composite. Is there justification for the composite tank? Jeff feels there is no advantage for the composite over the spheroid tank and we were misinformed. Randy Leiker stated we decided to go with the composite tank based on the recommendations given to us. The bottom of the composite tank can be used for storage of things inside the base and also for ongoing maintenance costs over time. Jeff stated that from an outside observation we were led down the wrong path. Randy stated the Board was involved in extensive research months before the decision was made. There are many variables that were presented. Mr. Kellner's Company had worked on a proposal on the project for the engineering services.

Authorization to direct staff and Ehlers to request loan application forms from the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands to finance water system improvements in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000.

Dave Wagner from Ehlers stated the District could apply for Build America Bonds. We did not get stimulus money through the Safe Drinking Fund. The next plan was to sell tax exempt bonds. Payments would be under \$200,000 for 20 years. The weighted average rate would be in the mid fours. There is also the State Trust Fund which has some advantages and it is pretty flexible. We could also go with the State Trust Fund combined with a stimulus package which would give us a rebate on our rate. We would get 35% of the interest back. There are some administrative costs. Someone has to file every year to get the interest money back being either through Ehlers or in house. It must be done and not forgotten. It would amount to just under \$350,000 over 20 years. It would be about \$17,000 per year. Other communities have used this. The limit on the State Trust fund has been lowered to \$2.5 million. Because of demand it dropped from \$5 million to \$2.5 million.

Risk factors: We would need a bond council opinion and will probably pay a bit more than a tax exempt bond. This package runs out at the end of 2010. There is always the risk of whether or not the Feds run out of money and start cutting somewhere. Timing is a risk. It has to be set up right and the paperwork needs to get filed to get our rebate on time. If the IRS would feel we have not complied with some tax exempt rules, they may hold it up. All the rules have not been finalized. Mr. Wagner feels the rules will get better and not worse. Dave Wagner is recommending we go in this direction. The loan resolution will have a Quarles and Brady companion resolution.

Randy Leiker feels it makes sense to do it this way. Mike Woods made a motion to do the Build America Bond Fund program with the State Trust Fund. Tom Becher seconded the motion with all members voting aye after being polled.

Consideration and possible approval of an engagement letter with Quarles & Brady to provide legal services in connection with the Build America Bond designation for the water improvement financing.

Tom Becher made a motion to approve the engagement letter with Quarles and Brady. Dan Garber seconded the motion and it was carried.

Review draft of an Ordinance to Conserve and Limit Outside Water Use for Lawns, Grass, Outside Plants, Trees, Shrubs, and Similar Plants and possibly send to public hearing.

Dave Tebo asked Don Schinke to put this on another agenda as a work discussion item. This is the same proposal as the one by the Heart of the Valley. Tom Becher made a motion to table until a work session meeting. Dan Garber seconded the motion and it was carried.

Superintendent's report – accept.

Tom Becher made a motion to accept the Superintendent's report. Mike Woods seconded the motion and it was carried.

Adjourn Sanitary District meeting.

Tom Becher made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mike Woods seconded the motion and it was carried and adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

Sanitary District #2 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:49 p.m.

Approve June Stormwater Utility minutes.

Mike Woods made a motion to approve the Stormwater meeting minutes. Tom Becher seconded the motion and it was carried.

Approve July Stormwater Utility vouchers.

Mike Woods made a motion to approve the July vouchers. Tom Becher seconded the motion and it was carried.

Monthly report on erosion control.

Tom Becher made a motion to accept the erosion control report. Dan Garber seconded the motion and it was carried.

Public Works Supervisor stormwater report – accept

Tom Becher made a motion to accept the Public Works Supervisors report. Dan Garber seconded the motion and it was carried.

Adjourn Stormwater Utility Meeting.

Mike Woods made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom Becher seconded the motion and it was carried and adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Deborah Wagner,
Town Clerk