

MINUTES
KING COUNTY WATER DISTRICT NO 125

Wednesday, April 12, 2006

Commissioner Thornton called the regular meeting of the King County Water District No. 125 Board of Commissioners to order at 10:00 AM at the District Office located at 2849 South 150th Street, SeaTac, WA.

Present:

Commissioners: Jerry Thornton, President; Jim Rick, Commissioner; and John Thompson, Secretary **Staff:** Russ Austin, District Superintendent and Rose Lauer, Assistant Office Manager **Consultants:** Bob Stanton and Susan Boyd, PACE Engineering

Agenda: The agenda was approved as amended

Reports:

Consultants:

Rate Study: Susan Boyd gave a summary of the rate study presented at the special board meeting on April 5th, 2006. A brief discussion ensued. Commissioner Rick made a motion recommending a 10% increase be presented at a public hearing. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion, it carried unanimously. The Board decided on the next regular meeting date, April 26th, 2006, to hear public comment about the rate increase. Commissioner Thornton requested an announcement be published in the Highline Times and posted on our website in regard to the increase.

Ms Boyd suggested the Board consider doing a Cost of Service Rate Analysis in the near future. This would be an in-depth study put together by an independent organization to ensure rate equity between the customer classes of the District.

The Commissioners complimented Ms. Boyd on the excellent work she has done on behalf of the District on the rate study.

2006 Water Main Replacement Project: Bob Stanton passed out bid results for the 2006 Water Main Replacement Project. Skyrocketing costs due to increases in fuel and steel have made it necessary to hold back on completing all three schedules of the project. Mr. Stanton suggested awarding only Schedules A & B of the project at this time. Schedule C could be completed through change orders or when additional funds are available. Mr. Stanton recommended the Board award the project to the low bidder, Buno Construction. Commissioner Rick made a motion to award the 2006 Water Main Replacement Project, Schedules A & B only to Buno Construction. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Old Business: Commissioner Thornton brought up the WASWD Sewer and Water Mutual Aid Agreement. It was agreed to include it on the next meeting's agenda for discussion.

Staff:

New Building: Superintendent Austin advised he has had several meetings with the architects, Val Vue Sewer District and others regarding phone systems, security, co-ax

and other details. He advised the Commissioners of an east/west lot line adjustment on the property. Mr. Austin further informed the Commissioners of Val Vue's desire to put up a four-stall carport on the property. With the lot line adjustment this would require an easement for the carport from the District as it would extend over on our side. The Commissioners discussed this point and decided not to grant the easement to Val Vue.

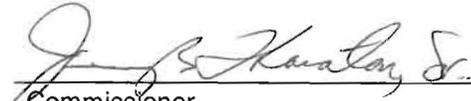
Mr. Austin is also looking into the options to paint or reside the maintenance shop. He would like it to compliment or match the new building. Val Vue will be doing the same with their existing buildings.

Mr. Austin requested permission to attend the AWWA Convention in Spokane, WA in May. The Commissioners agreed to send him.

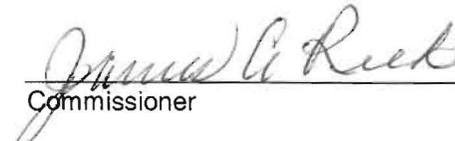
Commissioners: Commissioner Thornton presented two letters he had received from the State Boundary Review Board regarding changes in boundaries for SW Suburban Sewer District. He was advised these notices are sent out to all neighboring agencies giving them a right to comment on the changes. No Board action was necessary for these changes.

Commissioner John Thompson reported on the Water Supply Association meeting and the Homeland Security meetings he attended.

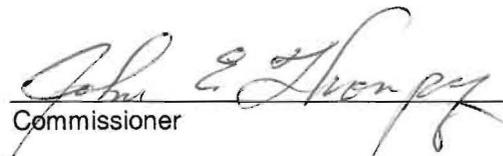
Adjournment: Commissioner Thompson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rick and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 AM.



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