

MINUTES
KING COUNTY WATER DISTRICT No. 125

Wednesday August 27, 2008

Commissioner Thornton called the meeting of the King County Water District No. 125 Board of Commissioners to order at 10:00 a.m. at the District Office located at 3460 S 148th ST STE 110, Tukwila, Washington.

Present:

Commissioners: Jerry Thornton, President, Jim Rick, Secretary and John Thompson, Commissioner **Staff:** Shane Young, Office Manager, Mark Parsons, Superintendent,

Agenda: The agenda was unanimously approved as amended.

Minutes: Commissioner Rick made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2008 Board Meeting as amended. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Vouchers: Maintenance vouchers numbered 22388 – 22402 in the amount of \$123,739.74 were presented for review. Commissioner Rick made a motion to approve the vouchers; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson and was carried unanimously.

Sound Transit: Parsons reported that Sound Transit has started crossing Tukwila International Blvd with the 10' main in 18' casing. Crews are working at night to avoid traffic conflicts however the contractor is only installing an average of 36ft of main per night and the project may take longer than expected. Parsons presented pictures of the construction.

Parsons noted that Amendment #2 for the Sound Transit reimbursement agreement has been accepted by the Sound Transit. Young will have legal council review the amendment to be approved at the following board meeting.

Contract 08-02 / 146th ST: Parsons noted the project is not yet ready to bid but he should have a full update for the Board by the first board meeting in September.

Burien Rezoning: Parsons informed the Board that the City of Burien is rezoning a small portion of the District from 136th and Des Moines Way to 146th ST. The area is being rezoned as commercial.

2007 Financials: Young presented a report from accountant Tom McAuliffe explaining the 2007 financials delay. McAuliffe and Young are currently working with Sound Transit on reconciling the amount still owed to the District for reimbursement costs. There is also a discrepancy in the building cost spreadsheet prepared by Page and Beard that needs to be reconciled before the 2007 financials can be closed.

New Building Phone Service: Commissioner Thompson reported on his attendance of Valley View's August 19, 2008 Board meeting. Commissioner Thompson noted that Valley View's commissioners were upset that Water District 125's Commissioners approved

switching phone providers without communicating directly with them prior to the decision. Commissioner Thompson added that the decision increases Valley View's phone bills on a monthly basis and their Commissioners believe that we should consult them before making a decision that costs their District more money. Commissioner Rick explained that every month the District continues to use Integra the District is costing Water District 125 rate payers more money for a service that is less than satisfactory. Commissioner Thompson noted that he had a conversation with Commissioner Rick Forschler about possibly holding a condo meeting to discuss the issue. Young stated that on Monday August 25, 2008 the District received invoices from Valley View for phone service provided from January through July of 2008. Young presented a breakdown of what the Water District currently pays for phone service and how much Valley View phone invoices will increase per month. He also added that depending on the number of lines ordered the District can save \$100 to \$200 dollars a month by switching phone providers. Commissioner Thompson added that he no longer feels a condo meeting is necessary. The Board directed Young to continue switching the phone services for Water District 125 from Integra to AT&T as was directed at the August 13, 2008 meeting. After a brief discussion regarding the number of lines to be ordered, the Board directed Young to purchase at least 6 lines to supply phone service for both the administration building and the maintenance facility.

Switching Rates: Young informed the Board that Laura Marrone was successfully able to switch the existing billing rate codes into the newly approved tiered rates while Lauer was on vacation last week. Young added the week also included Marrone running monthly bills, past due invoices and handling all front office responsibilities. The Board acknowledged and thanked Marrone for the hard work while understaffed.

Excused Absence: Commissioner Rick was granted an excused absence from the September 10, 2008 Board meeting.

Port of Seattle: Parsons informed the Board he had a meeting with Pace Engineers and Bob York of the Port of Seattle about the District boundary lines. Commissioner Thompson asked if we received a letter from the port about not developing north of highway 518 and into our District. Parsons informed the Board that Susan Boyd of Pace Engineers is currently working on the ports comprehensive plan and that language will be included. He also added that he will speak with Bob Stanton about the Port getting a letter to the District.

VEBA: Commissioner Rick explained that he did not see enough of a benefit for the Commissioner to approve using VEBA for medical expenses. After a brief discussion Commissioner Rick made a motion that VEBA not be an option for District Commissioners as of this time. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Comprehensive Plan: Stanton requested approval to have Susan Boyd begin updating the comp plan to be resubmitted as was discussed at the June 25, 2008 board meeting. Commissioner Rick made a motion authorizing PACE Engineers to update and resubmit the District's Comprehensive Plan for approval. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

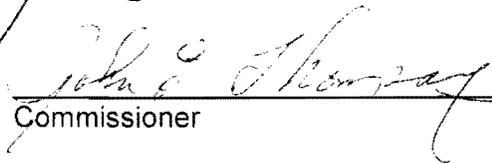
Fall Conference: Parsons informed the Board that staff attending the Fall Conference will be flying over to Spokane. Parsons noted that he found plane tickets for \$103.00 a person round trip. Young noted the cost of mileage for one person to drive round trip to Spokane is over \$330.00.

Cedar River Watershed: The Board of Commissioner and Parsons will be attending the Cedar River Watershed tour on September 4, 2008 at 12:00.

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 11:38 a.m.



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