

EASTOVER SANITARY DISTRICT
MINUTES
BOARD MEETING January 27, 2009

Chairman, Morgan Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and Marilyn Johnson opened the meeting with prayer.

Present: Morgan, Liz Reeser, Helen Crumpler, John Jackson, Bill Berry, Kevin Lindsay, Adam Riggsbee, Marilyn Johnson and Dan Matthews.

The Public Forum was opened. Danny Matthews asked if he could ask one question. He wanted to know when he would be able to hook up to the sewer system. Morgan stated that PWC would have to release that section and he would contact him as soon as we had the go ahead. With no further discussion, the Public Forum was closed.

- I. Approval of Agenda. Liz made a motion to approve the Agenda, Helen seconded, and it was unanimous.
- II. Consent Agenda consisting of the November 25, 2008 Minutes and the Financial Statements of November 30, 2008 and December 31, 2008 were approved. Liz moved, Helen seconded and it was unanimous.
- III. Ratification of expenses were previously approved by board members via e-mail and provided to the finance officer for payment. This ratification confirms, for recorded purposes, that payments were approved.
 - The Yarborough Law Firm, dated December 15, 2008, in the amount of \$1,820.00;
 - The Yarborough Law Firm, dated January 2, 2009, in the amount of \$1,500.00;
 - The Yarborough Law Firm, dated January 18, 2009, in the amount of \$600.00.

 - Hobbs-Upchurch & Associates, dated December 23, 2008, in the amount of \$4,810.00;
 - Hobbs-Upchurch & Associates, dated December 23, 2008, in the amount of \$50,000.00.

There were no other invoices for payment at this time.

- IV. Update of ESDII Water System.

Letters and Applications:

Morgan stated that 1,274 news letters and application forms have gone out to prospective customers. He said the customer could mail the application along with the \$125.00 made payable to ESD or go to the PWC office. PWC would record the payment and establish a list of paid customers. As per an agreement between PWC and Bob Tucker at the County Finance Office, an escrow account for ESDII Water System customers will be established. Bob reports the income on the monthly ESD statements. PWC will forward applications to Morgan for tracking. Morgan will maintain a current list of the total customer base and note who has paid. This will become the list for future mailings.

Water Tank:

Kevin stated he was working on the site plan drawings and would contact Charles and Kenny McLaurin, owners of the property site, as soon as he could for approval.

Design:

Kevin also stated he was working on designs for the water system and should be finished within a couple of weeks for review.

V. Update of Sewer System: Phase I
Overall system is complete.

Easements for sewer lines:

Kevin reported that there are three short dirt roads, and one short paved road that are still private roads. They are: Gilbert McLaurin Rd., Destiny Road, Oak Hill Dr (dirt), and School Rd. (paved). Kevin said he has been in contact with the NCDOT and they will accept the roads as public roads and maintain them. ESD must prepare and record them. This will be much better and faster than obtaining individual easements. Kevin said it would cost about \$2,000 to \$3,000 per road. Morgan requested Kevin prepare a scope of work and cost estimate for approval by the Board. Kevin agreed.

Beard Road construction with/CWMTF money.

Morgan said that ESD received a letter from Richard Rogers of the CWMTF stating they would not support the Beard Road extension at this time. Morgan said the money is there and we should send a letter to our State Legislatures asking for their help in obtaining the funding to complete the extension while we could.

Activation of System: Status of PWC acceptance:

Morgan stated ESD was waiting for PWC's response.

VI. Delinquent ESD accounts:

John stated he had collected several delinquent accounts. Some of the accounts were paid in full and others wanted to pay on a monthly basis. Morgan stated we might want to consider dropping the amount owed from \$500.00 to the \$300.00 range so customers wouldn't get so far behind in delinquency.

VII. ESD Advertising and Information Systems:

Website update:

Liz stated that she would be meeting with Howard Piland, Jr. on February 9, at 7:15 p.m. to discuss website and email address possibilities for ESD customers to have easier access to information.

Telephone recording system:

Morgan stated that because of the volume of calls coming in from ESD customers, we might want to consider a telephone recording system. He said he would get prices together and present them at our next meeting.

Morgan also suggested we consider purchasing a lap top and printer for better record keeping and for instant access.

VIII. Annual Audit:

Morgan moved that we accept the annual audit, Liz seconded and it was unanimous.

There was no further business.

In accordance with NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) a closed session was declared for attorney-client privilege at 8:15 p.m. Morgan moved, Liz seconded and it was unanimous.

The meeting was reopened with no further business. Morgan moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Liz seconded and it was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Crumpler, Secretary

Morgan Johnson, Chairman