

NORTH LITTLE ROCK  
WASTE WATER TREATMENT COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2009

A meeting of the North Little Rock Waste Water Treatment Committee was held on Tuesday, January 13, 2009 at the administrative offices located at the Faulkner Lake Treatment Plant.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Matthews at approximately 12:10 p.m. Those in attendance at the meeting were: Mr. K.W. Matthews, Mr. Ed Nelson, Mr. Jim Glover and Mr. Clark McGlothlin. Also in attendance were Mr. Gary Mills, Director, Mr. Marc Wilkins, Assistant Director, Ms. Gina Briley, Mr. Ric Roll, Mr. Bill Staggs, Mr. Vince Hotho with Garver Engineers, LLC, Mr. Mark Halter with Hilburn, Calhoun, Harper, Pruniski & Calhoun, Ltd., and Dawn Harmon. \

The Committee first reviewed the minutes of its December 16, 2008 meeting. Mr. Mills asked the Committee to amend the minutes to reflect that the staff used a figure of 2% increase in operating expenses as opposed to the 1 % figure originally discussed. Mr. Mills further stated that even with the 2% operating expense increase, the budget is still balanced. A motion was made by Mr. Glover, seconded by Mr. McGlothlin, to amend the operating expense set out in the December 16, 2008 minutes to 2%. The motion carried unanimously.

Upon motion made by Mr. McGlothlin, seconded by Mr. Nelson, the Committee unanimously approved the minutes of the December 16, 2008 meeting as amended.

The Committee then reviewed the voucher disbursements for December 2008.

After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Nelson, seconded by Mr. McGlothlin, to approve the voucher disbursements for December 2008 reflecting total cash disbursements of \$911,671.91 and fund transfers of \$859,916.39. The motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Nelson, seconded by Mr. Glover, the Committee unanimously approved the Financial Statement for December 2008 as submitted.

Next, the Committee discussed the design phase completed by Garver Engineers, LLC in 2006 for the gravity interceptor from the Faulkner Lake Sewer Treatment Plant along the 1440 corridor to Faulkner Lake Road. The purpose of the interceptor was to allow decommissioning of two (2) pump stations and to augment the capacity of the Galloway Force Main. Construction of the project has been delayed since July 2006 due to the postponement of the Cypress Bay Development. The recent announcement of Caterpillar, Inc. to locate its North American Headquarters for motor graders at the former Deluxe Video site renews the urgency for construction of this interceptor. The staff projects the construction cost to be in the range of \$3,000,000 to

\$3,500,000. Mr. Mills stated that it should take about 400 days to complete the project. A motion was made by Mr. Glover, seconded by Mr. McGlothlin, to authorize the staff to renew the contract with Garver Engineers, LLC for engineering services and to advertise for bids for construction of the 1440 interceptor. The motion carried unanimously.

The Commission then discussed the baffle curtains at the Five Mile Creek Sewer Treatment Plant. Modifications to the Five Mile Creek Sewer Treatment Plant were made in 1995 and included the installation of three (3) baffle curtains in the polishing pond. The normal life expectancy of baffle curtains is ten (10) years. One (1) of the curtains has collapsed and another has begun to sink allowing for short-circuiting of the wastewater. Mr. Mills noted that in a recent inspection by ADEQ, they requested the curtains be replaced. A motion was made by Mr. Nelson, seconded by Mr. McGlothlin, to authorize the staff to advertise for bids and enter into a contract for replacement of baffle curtains at the Five Mile Creek Sewer Treatment Plant not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$55,000.00. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Matthews and Mr. Mills then updated the Committee on a meeting they had with the Sherwood Mayor regarding the possibility of merging the two utilities. After discussing the pros and cons of a possible merger, a motion was made by Mr. Glover, seconded by Mr. Nelson, to request that Mayor Hays approach UALR about a feasibility study. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. McGlothlin, seconded by Mr. Glover, to excuse the absence of Ms. Julian. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further action to come before the Committee, a motion was made by Mr. McGlothlin to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:40 p.m.