

#### TAYLOR COASTAL WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT POST OFFICE BOX 174 PERRY, FL 32348 850-838-2674

#### MINUTES OF REGULAR COMMISSIONERS MEETING January 16, 2001

- The meeting was held at the Keaton Beach Hot Dog Stand at 7:00 PM. Present were Travis
  Beach, Mike McKinney, Betty Towles, Melvin Bowden, Larry Murphy, Directors; Jim Gooding,
  Sandra Bolton, David Morgan and Bob Meissner, Staff; and Ms Ferguson, guest. A quorum was
  declared.
- 2. The minutes of the Commission Meeting on December 20, 2000 were approved. Motion by Murphy, second by Towles, unanimous.
- On December 21 we had \$1291.30 in the checking account. This balance is due entirely to contributions.
- 4. The commissioners reviewed the letter from Jim Dean concerning the need for Rural Development (RD) to have the Preliminary Application in their hands before money is expended for the Preliminary Engineering Study (PES) and the Environmental Report (ER) in order for us to be on the early list to receive reimbursements from the project proceeds. These studies will cost \$25,000. They will be made by Jones Edmunds & Assoc., (JEA). The SRWMD has already paid \$10,000 for the Feasibility Study and has agreed to pay \$15,000 toward the PES and ER. In order to show good faith we need to advance the remaining \$10,000 for the study. This will be discussed at the TCU meeting.
- 5. Travis Beach and Bob Meissner attended the Legislative Delegation Hearing on January 14. Floyd Ford made an excellent presentation of our project and asked for support from Senator Mitchell and Representative Kendrick. Dave Fisk of the SRWMD was asked to comment and he stated that the SRWMD strongly supports this project.
- 6. On January 24 Travis Beach and Bob Meissner will meet with Jerry Scarborough, the Director of the SRWMD to discuss funding scheduling and other matters. The need for the PES and ER to be completed as soon as possible will be the main issue.
- 7. The meeting was adjourned. Motion by Bowden, second by Towles, unanimous.

Robert W. Meissner General Manager

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#### Taylor Coastal Water & Sewer District

#### Minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting Sewer Project February 21, 2001

Quorum established and meeting called to order @ 7pm by Travis Beach.

Members in attendance:

Directors/Employees in attendance:

Jim Moody

Jim Gooding

Larry Murphy

**Bob Meissner** 

Bob Ballinger

Sandra Bolton

Mike McKinney

David Morgan

Betty Towles

Travis Beach

Minutes of last meeting circulated. Move to accept by Mike McKinney, Second by Larry Murphy.

Report by Floyd Ford on Sewer System Project:

Brief review of January meeting with legislative delegation from state that came to Taylor County for public forum.

On January 13, Jones, Edmonds Inc. submitted preliminary application to the USDC/EDA giving a breakdown of the business-related cost of the Wastewater treatment facility. This was identified as \$2.4 million of the total \$6.5 million project.

Bob Meissner and Travis Beach met with Jerry Scarborough on Jan. 24. SRWMD has submitted a draft of the Community Budget Issue Request to Rep. Kendrick.

A letter was received on Jan. 30 from Dr. Boland that documents the health risks associated with the district's coastal water contamination. This will lend support for grant applications.

Rep. Kendrick has submitted a "formal" Community Budget Request for a \$3.5 million Legislative Grant to the State Legislature. In addition, SRWMD submitted a Project Nomination Form "State & Tribal Assistance Grant" to Congressman Boyd's office requesting \$3.5 million funding grant administered through the EPA office.

Floyd circulated a letter he wrote as a private citizen and sewer project manager, to Gov. Jeb Bush detailing the need for a wastewater treatment system and the status of efforts to secure funding to date. Copies were sent to Sec. Struhs, Dr. Brooks, Rep Kendrick and Sen. Mitchell. Buddy Humpheries, Sandra Hatcher, and County Commissioneer Walter Rowell will send similar letters. Efforts to contact key people to lobby are continuing. Lynn Dixon, Staff Director, Gen. Gov't Appropriations Committee was contacted today.

Discussion: Efforts will be made to contact local residents and out of county/state property owners encouraging a letter writing campaign to their legislative representatives asking for support of the funding requests. In addition, TCW&SD will write an official letter urging support for the requested funding.

Motion to adjourn by Larry Murphy, seconded by Jim Moody.

Minutes submitted by Jo Ford Joen

#### **RESOLUTION NO.:**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Taylor County, Florida, have been advised of the request for funding for a sewage treatment facility in the Taylor Coastal Water and Sewer District, and

WHEREAS, the Board is in full support of the project to bring a sewage system to the beaches area of Taylor County, Florida, and

WHEREAS, the project will cost \$6.5 million dollars, and

WHEREAS, the Taylor Coastal Water Sewage District needs additional funding for the project.

**BOARD** OF COUNTY RESOLVED BY THE THEREFORE, BE IT COMMISSIONERS OF TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA that they are in full support of the District's request for funding from the State of Florida and hereby request the Honorable Jeb Bush, Governor of the great State of Florida to assist the Taylor Coastal Water and Sewer District to obtain said funding.

PASSED AND ADOPTED in regular session this 5th. day of March, 2001.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** 

TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA

ATTEST:

A TRUE COPY

ATTEST: Annie Mae Murphy Clerk Circuit Court

Taylor County, Florida

#### **Taylor Coastal Water & Sewer District Meeting**

Sewer Project March 21, 2001

Meeting called to order by Travis Beach at 7pm.

Members in attendance:

Staff in attendance:

Visitors:

Travis Beach

Bob Meissner

John Sutton (Ezell Beach)

Melvin Bowden

Jim Gooding

Jim Moody

David Morgan

Sandra Bolton

Lack of quorum noted. Travis has proxy privileges from Betty Towles who is absent.

Minutes of previous meeting circulated. Motion to approve by Melvin Bowden, second by Jim Moody. Minutes approved

Status of Sewer Project Funding:

Floyd Ford: Had communication with Tri County Electric. They can not support a grant request because it requires 20% matching funds from them and they are not in a position to do that.

Bob Meissner: There is some question about the 20% fee requirements and suggest TCW&SD keep them informed and stay in touch with Malcolm Page and Joe Burns (?) Travis also encouraged continued contact with them.

Floyd recapped the funding efforts to date. Sources for 3 million identified to date \$1 million from EDA (Willie Taylor), \$2 million from Rural Development. There may be another \$250 thousand from the Office of Travel, Trade & Economic Development.

A Legislative Grant for \$3.5 million from the state does not look promising for this year. The state included the \$3.5 million in the Tribal & State Grant (STAG) request to the federal government. We are # 1 in priority from a list of 15 counties with the STAG request.

David Fiske of SRWMD indicated that he is very optimistic about our chances for the STAG being approved this year. The governor is very much aware of the urgency of our need here in Taylor County.

At the federal level 300 Billion is to be earmarked over the next 3 years for similar projects. It will be October before we have a definite answer, which means we are looking at January 2002 for construction to begin.

Bob and Travis gave a brief review of the meeting in January with SRWMD in which their support was given and the intent for them to purchase the land needed for the spray fields.

Sandra Bolton reported three additional donations from individuals. Balance in account is \$1579.05.

Visitor John Sutton questioned the need for a mandatory requirement to hood up to the system since he has a working septic tank. He also wanted to know how much the monthly fee would be. Travis reviewed the steps taken to establish need and authority for the system. The monthly service fee is expected to be about \$30.00. There will be no charge for the present water customers to hook up but later hookups such as new construction could cost up to \$3,000.

Bob reported that the \$15,000 bill from Jones, Edmonds was forwarded on to SRWMD. There is enough in reserve to pay remaining the \$10,000 from the reserve account.

Move to adjourn by Melvin Bowden, seconded by Jim Moody. Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm

Minutes submitted by Jo Ford.

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#### MINUTES OF REGULAR DISTRICT MEETING April 25, 2001

- The meeting was held at the Beach Realty Office at 7:00 PM. Present were Travis Beach, Mike McKinney, Betty Towles, Melvin Bowden, Bob Ballinger, Larry Murphy, and Jim Moody Directors and Sandra Bolton, Jim Gooding, David Morgan, and Bob Meissner Staff. A quorum was declared.
- 2. The minutes of the District meeting on March 21, 2001 were approved. Motion by Murphy, second by Moody, unanimous.
- 3. Bob Meissner reported that TCWSD received \$9,000 from TCU as an advance toward the sewer project application preparation. TCWSD added \$1,000 to this money from the donations (advanced sewer service payments) received. \$10,000 was sent by TCWSD to Jones Edmunds and Associates, Inc., as agreed to several months ago by the Board.
- Travis Beach reported that the SRWMD is moving ahead with the purchase of land for the sewer system. Property about a mile east of Cedar Island East is being considered at present. It is on Loney Garden Road.

5. The meeting was adjourned. Motion by Bowden, second by Towles, unanimous.

Robert W. Meissner General Manager

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#### TAYLOR COASTAL WATER & SEWER DISTRICT MEETING May 16, 2001

Meeting called to order and quorum noted by Travis Beach at 7pm.

Members Present:

Staff Present:

Travis Beach

**Bob Meissner** 

Larry Murphy

David Morgan

Jim Moody Melvin Bowden Sandra Bolton Jim Gooding

Bob Ballinger

Mike McKinney

Minutes of previous meeting circulated. Motion to approve by Larry Murphy, second by Jim Moody. Motion carried.

Status of land acquisition for spray field given by Travis. Buckeye has offered to sell 120 acres located off Lonely Garden Road with no increase in price offered for parcel located off Jody Morgan Rd.

Report on funding given by Floyd Ford. The document for the STAG request to the federal congress was presented. He has written a letter to Congressman Boyd thanking him for sponsoring the grant request and updating him on the activity at the local level. Both Florida Senators are also sponsoring the request in the senate.

Claude Tankersly has notified Floyd that the estimate of 60,000 gal/day capacity for the system has been updated to 100,000 gal/day after reviewing the proposed impact from the business community in the area. This, along with the increase in pipe costs, will require the application to be updated. This update will cost about \$2,000. It is a possibility that SRWMD will pay for that. It is expected that by the time construction is complete the overall cost may be about \$7 million.

Travis reported that he spoke to Congressman Boyd and was assured he has help in getting the STAG request approved.

Mike McKinney reported that he had contact with Bob Graham's legislative assistant while in Washington attending a conference recently and will pass her name along to Floyd for follow-up.

Floyd reported briefly on the conference on water issues he attended recently in Tallahassee.

Bob Meissner reported that water quality tests results are presently in the satisfactory category.

Future plans are to continue follow-up efforts in support of grant funding.

Minutes submitted by Jo Low

Motion to adjourn by Larry murphy, second by Mike McKinney. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm.

<sup>\*</sup>Larry Murphy has proxy for Betty Towles who is absent.

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#### COMMISION MEETING AGENDA BEACH REALTY OFFICE June 20, 2001

- 1. Establish quorum
- 2. Approve minutes of last meeting
- 3. Report on funding progress by Floyd Ford.
- 4. runre Plans
- 6. Adjourn

#### Taylor Coastal Water & Sewer District Meeting June 20, 2001

Meeting called to order and quorum noted by Mike McKinney at 7 PM.

Members Present:

Staff Present:

Mike McKinney

**Bob Meissner** 

**Bob Balinger** 

Sandra Bolton

Melvin Bowden

David Morgan

Larry Murphy

Betty Towles

Meeting called to order by Mike McKinney. Minutes of last meeting circulated. Motion to approve by Larry Murphy, second by Betty Towles. Motion carried.

#### Report by Floyd Ford on funding efforts:

Floyd distributed copies of an article on Pressure Sewer Systems in use in Michigan, which is similar to the system planned for here. He reported that the local paper had published an article on the history and progress of funding efforts for the sewer system in this area.

SRWMD has approved money for studies of the proposed spray field area.

Through contact with Casey in Sen. Boyd's office, Floyd was told that the Grant request was still active in the Appropriations Bill. Both Florida Senators are supporting the Grant. If funding is approved, it is possible that money will be available by October 1, 2001 and groundbreaking would be between May and July of 2002.

#### Bob Meissner:

Health Department will do more comprehensive water testing in the Beaches area this summer. Problems are with the canals, not the marine life.

General discussion supported an effort to contact Craig Aubrey asking that the public be informed about safety of the water as it relates to the harvesting and consumption of scallops.

Bank account has a balance of \$564.70.

Plans are to continue with efforts to secure funding.

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Motion to adjourn by Melvin Bowden, Second by Larry Murphy. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Minutes submitted by Jo Ford.

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#### Taylor Coastal Water & Sewer District Meeting July 18, 2001

Members Present: Travis Beach Mike McKinney Betty Towles Larry Murphy Bob Balinger Staff Present: Sandra Bolton David Morgan Bob Meissner Jim Gooding

Meeting called to order and quorum noted by Travis Beach at 7 PM. The Board expressed sympathy to Bob Meissner and family for the loss of Stella Meissner.

Minutes of previous meeting circulated. Motion to approve by Mike McKinney; seconded by Betty Towles. Motion carried.

Report from Floyd Ford on status of funding efforts:

Bids are out from SRWMD for the required studies of the land designated for the treatment plant. The STAG Grant request is still in committee at the Federal level and support continues from the Florida senators. No answer is expected before Oct. 1, 01.

State Sen. Mitchell and Rep. Kendrick will be in Perry for a public meeting on August 20 at 10 am. As many members of Board that can are urged to attend. We will request funding in the State budget regardless of what happens at the Federal level since it is expected that costs will have increased by the time construction begins.

Claude Tankersly from Jones, Edmonds plans to attend the Board meeting on August 15.

Mike McKinney raised questions about hook-up for new developments not presently on water meters. Board reviewed plan that present water users and paid meter connections would hook-up at no charge. Subsequent users would be charged a fee, which has not been determined at this time. Developments will have mandatory hook-up and will be considered case by case as they come up.

Future plans: Continue ongoing funding efforts.

Sandra Bolton handed out information on a workshop to be held by Jones, Edmonds.

Motion to adjourn by Larry Murphy, seconded by Mike McKinney. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Minutes submitted by Jo Ford.

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#### MINUTES OF REGULAR DISTRICT MEETING August 15, 2001

- 1. The meeting was held at the Beach Realty Office at 7:00 PM. Present were Travis Beach, Mike McKinney, Betty Towles, Melvin Bowden, Bob Ballinger Directors and Sandra Bolton, Jim Gooding, David Morgan, and Bob Meissner Staff. A quorum was declared.
- 2. The minutes of the District meeting on July 18, 2001 were approved. Motion by Towles, second by Bowden, unanimous.
- 3. There was an extensive discussion of a recent situation regarding Jones Edmunds and the Steinhatchee Water Company. The Board agreed that this situation should not affect our relationship with Jones Edmunds. In order to protect our interests the Board agreed to ask Mike Smith to attend the meeting of the Legislative Delegation on Monday at 10:00 AM. Motion Ballanger, second Bowden, unanimous. The Board asked all present to avoid discussing this matter at this time.
- 4. The meeting was adjourned. Motion by Towles, second by McKinney, unanimous.

Robert W. Meissner General Manager

### Taylor Coastal Water & Sewer District Minutes of Meeting Sept 19, 2001 7 PM

**Members Present** 

Staff Present

Betty Towles Bob Balinger Larry Murphy David Morgan Bob Meissner Jim Gooding

Minutes of last meeting circulated. Motion to approve by Larry Murphy, second by Bob Balinger. Motion carried.

Report on funding:

Floyd Ford reported that he continues to be in periodic contact with congressional offices in Washington but there are no further developments to report at this time. The Community Budget request was re-submitted to the State legislature through Rep. Kendrick and Sen. Mitchell to be included in next years State Budget.

A letter from Bob Sheffield requesting the Board supply him with a letter stating that water and sewer would be provided for a planned subdivision in this area was read.

Floyd reminded the Board that USDA does not fund new development. Rural Development money can only be used for existing homes and businesses.

The decision was made to invite Mr. Sheffield to the October meeting for further discussion.

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Meeting adjourned at 7:25pm

Minutes submitted by Jo Ford

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FROM: PAPAJO

Taylor Coastal Water & Sewer District Minutes of Monthly Meeting October 17, 2001

Members Present:
Mike McKinney
Melvin Bowden
Jim Moody
Travis Beach
Betty Towles

Staff Present: Bob Meissner Sandra Bolton David Morgan

Quorum established and meeting called to order by Travis Beach. Minutes of last meeting circulated. Motion to approve by Mike McKinney, seconded by Melvin Bowden. Motion carried.

Report on funding by Floyd Ford:

No progress at this time on the STAG Request before congress. Floyd will be in Washington, D.C. on October 24-26 to receive an award on behalf of the TCW&SD for the work done on the sewer project. While there, he will meet with an Aide in Sen. Nelson's office to discuss the Governor's STAG request for TCW&SD. He circulated a report to present to Gov. Bush at a town meeting October 19 in Perry. In addition he will mention the large amount of money in the State Revolving Fund that cannot be used except for loans.

Travis reported that other representatives from the area would be at the town meeting on October 19 to further enhance the appeal to Gov. Bush.

Bob Sheffield attended to request the Board provide a letter stating that water and sewer would be supplied to a planned subdivision in the area. Board voted to provide him with a letter on sewage based on the Ordinance approved by the County Commissioners. Motion made by Betty Towles, seconded by Jim Moody. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Mike McKinney, seconded by Melvin Bowden. Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by

Jo Ford

#### Taylor Coastal Water & Sewer District Minutes of Monthly Meeting

November 29, 2001

Members Present: Travis Beach Jim Moody Betty Towles Bob Balinger Melvin Bowden Mike McKinney

Staff Present: Sandra Bolton Jim Gooding David Morgan Bob Meissner

Visitor: Russell Belcher

Meeting called to order by Travis at 7pm. Quorum noted. Minutes of previous meeting circulated, motion to approve by Melvin Bowden, second by Betty Towles. Motion carried.

- Bob Meissner stated that an audit of the Sewer Project would be done.

Floyd Ford reported that there is no change in funding efforts. DEP is responding to inquiries by EPA to get money into the economy by release of money from the State Revolving Fund. The county government has also made requests in Tallahassee on behalf of the sewer project.

Target date for purchase of the spray field by SRWMD is February 2002

A letter was sent to the City of Perry Commissioners requesting that David Morgan be given the opportunity to receive "hands on" training in sewer system operation in order to complete the requirements for his certification. The Commissioners expressed support and will draft an agreement for the TCW&SD and City Commissioners to review.

Motion to adjourn made, seconded and carried.

Minutes submitted by Jo Ford

FROM : PAPAJO FAX NO. : 8505782756 Dec. 21 2001 12:00m1

#### TAYLOR COASTAL WATER & SEWER DISTRICT Minutes of Monthly Meeting December 19, 2001

Members Present: Travis Beach Jim Moody Betty Towles Bob Ballinger Mike McKinney

Staff Present: Sandra Bolton Bob Meissner Jim Gooding David Morgan

Meeting called to order by Travis Beach. A quorum of members present was noted. Minutes of previous meeting circulated. Motion to approve by Jim Moody, seconded by Bob Ballinger; motion carried.

Floyd Ford presented the Board with a plaque from the Rural Community Assistance Program that was awarded to TCW&SD in October for the efforts to develop a sewer system along the coastal areas of Taylor County.

He also reported that funding of the sewer system is being made available through the USDA Appropriations Bill passed in congress recently. The exact amount and conditions of that funding is unknown at the present time. Jerry Scarborough and staff members at SRWMD will be meeting with Chuck Clemens, the USDA Regional Director, to determine the details of the funding. A follow-up meeting between SRWMD and TCW&SD is scheduled for Jan. 11 @ 10 am at SRWMD in Live Oak.

The request that was made by realtor Bob Sheffield at a previous meeting for water and sewer services to a planned development has been withdrawn.

The audit of TCW&SD is presently underway.

A vacancy on the Board exists due to the recent death of Larry Murphy. Floyd Ford was nominated by Mike McKinney, seconded by Bob Ballinger to fill that vacancy. The vote in favor of the nomination was unanimous. A member of the Board will present this recommendation to the County Commissioners at the next Commissioners' meeting.

Motion to adjourn by Mike McKinney, seconded by Bob Ballinge, Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by Jo Ford.

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