

UNION COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES OF MEETING ON JUNE 26, 2007

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Rick German. Members present were Rick German, Irene Broaddus, Donny Baucom, Carlton Tyson, Darryl Mabe, Butch Zimmerman, Chris Boggs, and alternates Phil Loudermilk and Bob Saks. Members absent were Larry Smith, Sidney Sandy, and Chris Boggs.

Bob Revesz had come as a citizen to comment on the water restrictions, specifically that the restrictions should be usage-based.

Donny Baucom made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, which was approved unanimously. Donny then made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, which motion was also approved unanimously.

The upcoming meeting to be held on Thursday, June 28 to recommend an auditing firm was discussed. The initial presentations were presented by six audit firms at the earlier meeting, and the audit firm search committee narrowed these down to two firms: Red Oak and Infrastructure Management Group. A decision between these two needs to be made on Thursday so that it can be presented to the Board of Commissioners at their July 2 meeting. It was decided that Donny, Phil, Rick, Butch and Darryl would attend this meeting, with Donny acting as secretary.

Christie Putnam was available to discuss water and sewer issues. First under considerations were the current restrictions. Several possible alterations to the restrictions were discussed. Rick German moved that we allow commercial pressure washers to operate their business at residential and commercial locations that use county water from 9AM to 5PM daily. This was approved without dissent.

Bob Saks moved that we keep the time restrictions as originally approved: watering of landscaping allowed from 9pm to 5AM only, due to transmission issues during peak usage times. This was approved with Irene and Phil opposed.

Rick German moved, seconded by Phil, to allow residential carwashing using a hand held spring-loaded nozzle. (Commercial carwashing is not currently restricted.) This was approved with Bob and Darryl opposed.

There was additional discussion of the halt in issuing of commitment letters for water service by the county. This specifically applies to residential subdivisions and high-use industrial or commercial applicants, rather than to individual homeowners. It has been requested that the letters be again issued for a period of time to allow those in the planning stages to move forward. Christie indicated that all those who are in the works at the county, at any level, are still being considered. Irene moved, seconded by Phil, that the public works department take no more than 60 days to develop a plan by which the

county can consider restoring the issuance of letters for commitment of future water service. This passed with Carlton and Donny opposed.

There followed a discussion of water tank locations in the Weddington area. Christie presented a map and description of costs for the current options. After discussion of the advantages and issues with each site, it was indicated that option #1 was actually now #1A because it needed to move slightly. Irene moved, seconded by Phil, that this board recommend that the county move forward with option #1A as the best alternative of the sites presented.

At our next meeting, on July 10, we will discuss the options for the Northern Waste Water Treatment Plant site. We will also address the Capital Improvement Plan and make recommendations on three items: the water source from the Yadkin Basin, the sewer discharge location into the Rocky River/Yadkin basin, and the decision on providing sewer service to Clear Creek or replacing the Tallwood plant.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Irene Broaddus, Secretary to the board.