

UNION COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 9, 2007

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Sidney Sandy.

Members present were Sidney Sandy, Irene Broaddus, Donnie Baucom, Butch Zimmerman, and Darryl Mabe. Alternates present were Phil Loudermilk and Bob Saks. Members absent were Carlton Tyson, Chris Boggs, Larry Smith, and Ed Huntley.

Motion to approve the minutes as sent out was made by Donnie Baucom, approved without dissent.

Motion to approve the agenda as sent out was made by Butch Zimmerman. Agenda was amended by the Chairman to reflect the fact that Kai Nelson was not available to speak tonight, and approved unanimously as amended.

Phillip Tiewater with IMG gave an update on the work plan of the audit. The lack of a standard written operating procedure for training and reference was noted as a needed improvement.

Next Phillip reported on the operational assessment and staff interviews, looking at the major functions, key findings, and issues requiring further assessment. Progress has produced growing pains, some of which will be resolved by technology.

Interim County Manager Dick Black indicated that staff is working on a Water Allocation Policy, which will need our input before completion.

Dick also indicated that we are about to move to Level 3 Mandatory Restrictions on water, possibly as early as tomorrow, and Christie indicated that we might want to consider exempting some types of businesses and uses from these restrictions. After some discussion the board agreed that we needed to consider some exemptions, but we felt unprepared to do that at this time. It was agreed that Christie would get us a list of adversely affected business types to be considered, and possibly some information about usage by those types. We would additionally encourage contact from the public and owners of affected businesses. At our next scheduled meeting on October 23, we would consider these possible exemptions and make a recommendation to the Board of Commissioners.

Irene Broaddus brought up the final portion of the sewer allocation plan, which explains the appeals process for those developments not listed on any of the lists as having sewer capacity saved for them. Those who appeal that decision to Christie and are denied seem to have an unlimited window to appeal her decision to Dick Black, who also has an undefined time frame to respond to that appeal. Christie indicated that they had already identified this as a problem and were planning to address it. She will be getting with the legal folks and clarifying the time frames and procedures, and a letter explaining those

clarifications will be included with the notices that go out to those who are being denied in that initial 30-day procedure.

Sidney brought up the scheduling of meetings, and whether we should consider any changes, but none were suggested. The joint meeting with the BOC has not been scheduled at this time.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Irene Broaddus, Secretary to the Board