

# IMMOKALEE WATER & SEWER DISTRICT

1020 SANITATION ROAD

IMMOKALEE, FLORIDA 34142

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## REGULAR MEETING

May 20, 2009

### **Call to Order:**

Mr. Thomas called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. Mr. Thomas asked for a roll call.

(CALL TO ORDER)

### *Directors present:*

Mr. Raymond Holland, Mr. Fred Thomas, Mr. Everett Loukonen, Mrs. Anne Goodnight, and Mrs. Sandra Freeman.

(ROLL CALL)

### *Staff present:*

Mr. Kenneth Thompson, Mrs. Eva Deyo, Ms. Norma Ramirez, Mr. Zacarias Herrera and Mr. Gary Ferrante with AECOM.

### *Others present:*

There were none.

### **Adoption of Agenda:**

Mrs. Goodnight made a motion to approve the Agenda as it has been submitted.

(MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA)

Mrs. Freeman seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **Employee recognition:**

The Board recognized Mr. Zacarias Herrera as Employee of the month for March.

**Public Concerns:**

Mr. Thomas announced the two new Board Members as Mrs. Veronica Barnhart and Mr. Robert Halman.

The Board decided not to have a Board meeting in June due to the Executive Director being on vacation.

Mrs. Deyo announced the winners for the Dropsaver conservation contest and their awards.

**STAFF GOOD CAUSE ITEMS:**

There were none.

**BOARD CONCERNS:**

There were none.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The Board discussed the breakdown of \$72,000 owed by landowners and non-landowners in detail.

Mr. Thomas recommended staff wait on write offs until further notice.

Mr. Holland asked what the status was on the stimulus package for the District.

Mr. Ferrante stated that the District was not going to receive any monies for the waste water but that there was going to be a hearing in August for the water plant to see if the District would be able to get some monies.

Mr. Holland made a motion to authorize the Executive Director to utilize the existing \$313,796 for existing projects and not to exceed \$314,000.

Mrs. Goodnight seconded the motion.

Mr. Loukonen asked if the \$313,796 was part of the stimulus money.

Mr. Ferrante stated that, the District has about \$200,000 left over from grant money. The \$313,000 is the average for the bid prices received from originally opening the bids for the projects.

Motion carried unanimously.

(MOTION TO  
AUTHORIZE  
EXECUTIVE  
DIRECTOR TO  
UTILIZE  
EXISTING  
MONIES)

Mr. Ferrante spoke about stimulus ready projects.

Mr. Holland asked how much is the District asking for.

Mr. Ferrante stated \$3 million.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

There were none.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Mrs. Goodnight made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Loukonen seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

(MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA)

**ACTION AGENDA:**

Mrs. Goodnight made a motion to authorize the Executive Director and the District Attorney to complete the negotiations with the engineers and sign the contract as long as it meets the criteria that has been discussed with the Board and then bring the contract back to the Board at the next available Board meeting.

Mrs. Freeman seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND SIGN ENGINEERS CONTRACT)

**DISCUSSION AGENDA:**

Mr. Thompson advised the Board that there was some utilities are currently paying their Board members and providing Health Insurance.

Mr. Thomas asked Mr. Thompson to bring back more information on Board members getting paid and getting Health Insurance.

**Other Public Interests:**

There were none.

**Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned 4:18 p.m.

(MEETING ADJOURNED)

**Reviewed by:**

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**Mr. Richard Rice, Secretary**

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**Date**