

IMMOKALEE WATER & SEWER DISTRICT

1020 SANITATION ROAD

IMMOKALEE, FLORIDA 34142

(239) 658-3630

REGULAR MEETING
December 16, 2009

Call to Order:

Mr. Thomas called the meeting to order.

(CALL TO
ORDER)

Directors present:

Mr. Raymond Holland, Mr. Fred Thomas, Mr. Robert Halman, Mr. Richard Rice,
Mrs. Sandra Freeman and Mrs. Veronica Barnhart.

(ROLL CALL)

Staff present:

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

Others present:

Please see sign in sheet.

Adoption of Agenda:

Mrs. Deyo asked to add 4. A. DEP Contract and Mr. Ferrante asked to take off the
Consent Agenda 3.G.

(MOTION TO
APPROVE
AGENDA)

Mr. Rice made a motion to approve the Agenda with the additions made.

Mr. Halman seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

Employee recognition:

Mrs. Deyo asked for the Employee of the Month to be brought back in January,
due to employee not being here.

PUBLIC CONCERNS:

Mrs. Janet Whidden brought in a letter requesting final bills and cut off list.

STAFF GOOD CAUSE ITEMS:

There were none.

BOARD CONCERNS:

Mr. Holland asked if the meter replacement program was on schedule.

Mrs. Deyo explained that it was and that it's expected to be finished in 2 years.

Mr. Holland asked if staff has been keeping up with the interest rates from the banks.

Mrs. Deyo stated that the District had a set rate for 2 years.

Mr. Holland suggested, since the District is getting stimulus money, the District should have a shovel ready project to do renovations on the Administrative building.

The Board discussed ideas for the stimulus money the District is receiving.

Mr. Ferrante stated that he has to file his report by the end of March, 2010, for loans through USDA for reclaim water and that there is some money for Administration buildings as long as the building is being built for expansion purposes or if the building is being shared.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Thompson stated that Mr. Lewis and his staff did some research and advises the Board to hold in advance the language which says that the new tenant has to pay any prior tenant bills. Because Federal Law states that, it is unconstitutional and violates the 14th Amendment for due process.

The Board discussed the issue in detail.

The Board discussed bad debt in detail.

Mr. Rice made a motion to form a committee with both within and outside our system to come up with a recommendation on how to handle the bad debt.

Mrs. Barnhart seconded the motion.

(MOTION TO
FORM
COMMITTEE
FOR BAD
DEBT)

Mr. Thompson stated that if there is a Board Member on the committee they can violate the Sunshine Law. That the committee could only do fact finding.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Holland made a motion to provide services to Mrs. Vasquez.

(MOTION TO
TURN ON
SERVICES
FOR MRS.
VASQUEZ)

Mr. Rice seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Holland made a motion to ratify the actions of Executive Director in calling for assistance to the attorney Terry Lewis and that Mr. Lewis will be charging about \$2,300.

(MOTION TO
PAY MR.
LEWIS FOR
SERVICES)

Mr. Rice seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was none.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mr. Rice made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

(MOTION TO
APPROVE
CONSENT
AGENDA)

Mr. Halman seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION AGENDA:

Mr. Thompson explained the DEP Contract in detail.

(APPROVAL
OF DEP
CONTRACT)

The Board discussed the contract in detail.

Mr. Holland made a motion to approve contract upon of review by Mrs. Jean Mangu.

Mr. Rice seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION AGENDA:

There is none.

(MEETING
ADJOURNED)

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned.

Reviewed by:

Mr. Richard Rice, Secretary

Date