

Highlights from Northampton MUD Board Regular Meeting
8/18/2008

(Note: These are unofficial notes drafted by Alisa Moore and edited by Director E.C.Thomas intended for speedy dissemination of significant items discussed and acted upon by the Board. Official minutes will be posted once drafted, reviewed and approved by the Board.)

All board members were present. Also present were the District's Attorney, John Wallace of Bacon & Wallace, Robb Clark of Hays of Hays Utilities, Greg Ordeneaux of Tax Tech, Inc., Cindy Schmidt the District's Bookkeeper, Joshua Lee and Ed Shackelford of Jones & Carter, Inc, District Manager Jim Sheffield, and Webmaster Lisa Moore. Additionally, Mr. Doug Eibsen of Peramco, Inc. was present.

We approved the Minutes of July 21, 2008 and the August 4, 2008 minutes as amended.

Mr. Ordeneaux, of Tax Tech, Inc. presented the Tax Assessor's Report which we approved. Ms. Cindy Schmidt then presented the District's Bookkeepers Report. We discussed the purchase of easements for the enlargement of the waste water treatment plant. We approved payment of District bills and the Investment Report. We also approved the Depository Pledge Agreement with Texas State Bank.

Mr. Robb Clark presented the Operator's Report. After reviewing the fire hydrant survey, Mr. Robb recommended that 6 hydrants need to be raised. Mr. Black noted that the last hydrant refurbishment was recent and was surprised that these hydrants were not raised at that time. We approved necessary repairs of fire hydrants.

Mr. Jim Sheffield presented the General Manager's Report. He informed the Board that Residential Recycling of Texas has asked for a 15 cent increase. We approved the increase.

He also reported that he and Hays Utility located and repaired manholes on the Ward property. He also informed the board that he met with Mrs. Ward and she has offered payment of the delinquent water bill. Additionally, she is working to provide the District with a plat, but due to a lien against the property she is unable to secure one. The District will accept the payment and provide utility service to the property, but maintain the lien on the property until Jones & Carter is able to review the plat before it is re-submitted to the City of Houston. If the City of Houston approves the plat as agreed to by Jones & Carter, the Board will consider removing the lien at that time.

Josh Lee of Jones & Carter reported on the status of wastewater treatment plant, the M102 Ditch project and the agreement with Oakmont PUD concerning the interconnect. The board discussed the water line purchase from Oakmont. We approved the purchase with contingencies; Director Nelsen abstained.

Josh Lee of Jones and Carter presented Root Rd drainage improvements drawings to the Board. After much discussion, the Board decided not to pursue this project since it had doubled in price since it was included in the bond issue. The Board admonished the engineers to check the values in the bond issue before taking any engineering project to final drawings stage in the future. Projected cost over-runs of this magnitude are not acceptable.

The District's attorney, Mr. John Wallace reviewed the Arbitrage Rebate Analysis on 10 bond issues. The Board requested a meeting with the company who prepared the analysis. Mr. Wallace will make the arrangements. Arbitrage Rebate Analysis is required by the IRS.

We rescheduled the next recreation meeting for September 8, 2008 due to the Labor Day Holiday falling on our regular meeting date.

We adjourned at 9:15 PM.