



TRAVIS COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 17

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A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Travis County Water Control and Improvement District No. 17 was held at the District office located at 3812 Eck lane on Thursday, September 18, 2008, at 6:00 p.m. This meeting was scheduled and conducted in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

I. CALL TO ORDER.

Director Steed called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

II. ESTABLISH A QUORUM.

Directors Steed, Roberts, Moran, and Tuerff were present. Director Ward was absent. General Manager Deborah Gernes, General Counsel Lauren Kalisek and David Klein, and District Engineers Pat Lackey and Will Pena were also present.

III. MANAGER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS.

In addition to the written report, the manager gave the following updates:

- WCID #17 helped the City of Somerville during the aftermath of Hurricane Ike by loaning two generators for their use during the initial power outage. The Board recognized the good job by staff.
- The electrical emergency plan is nearing completion. As soon as the system is in place, a test of the water plant will be run by creating a shutdown and bringing the plant back up with planned generator power. This is expected to happen in November. It is projected that the plant will be able to produce about 50% of its capacity (4 mgd to 5 mgd) while operating on generators. In regards to wastewater, all lift stations and treatment plants currently have back up generators in place.
- Ms. Gernes and Mr. Pena met with the neighbors on River Road to discuss the possibility of extending water service to that area and to see if there was an interest. The engineer's estimate for this project is \$253,456. With so few homeowners in that area, the construction cost would be around \$20,000 per owner. The residents were very interested and some are willing to pay construction fees to enable fire protection. Director Steed asked for this item to be placed on the October agenda.
- The Water Conservation Committee met and discussed in length the goals and plans for the District over the next year. Recommendations will be made to the Board during New Business. Notes from the committee meeting are attached to further explain the conservation goal and plans.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. APPROVE PAY ESTIMATES/CHANGE ORDERS FOR VARIOUS CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN THE DISTRICT:

1. Hudson Bend Area Water Line Improvements, Pay Estimate #1, M.B. Bender Co., Inc.
2. Big Dave's Pump Station and Water Line Improvements, Pay Estimate # 11-Final, Excel Construction.

B. APPROVE PAYMENT OF CURRENT INVOICES.

C. APPROVE MINUTES.

The August 21, 2008 minutes were presented for approval.

Motion: Director Moran to approve Consent Agenda as presented and to also include the invoices from River City Engineering that were not included in the Board packet.

Second: Director Tuerff.

Ayes: 4

Noes: 0
Unanimous.

V. **PUBLIC COMMENT, 6:30P.M.**

Director Steed opened Public Comment at 6:45 p.m. John Westervelt of the McCormick Mountain neighborhood addressed the Board to thank them in advance for allowing their neighborhood group to hold a joint "National Night Out" with the McIntyre and Timothy Road neighborhood group at the District office. They are expecting 40 neighbors to gather and celebrate Crime Watch for the neighborhood on October 7. Mr. Westervelt further thanked WCID #17 for the waterline upgrade going into the Hudson Bend area. Director Tuerff, also a resident of the same area, thanked the Board as well.

Scott Skillman, property owner on Thunder Trail, thanked Debbie Gernes and Henry Marley for their efforts of working to help get a waterline in and service to his lot on Thunder Trail. Mr. Skillman said he hopes any ill will can be put behind everyone and the neighbors get along again.

Ken Schroeder addressed the Board to give an update on the Steiner Ranch Bond #13. The TCEQ application has been reviewed and the staff memo has been completed; however, the application is awaiting peer review by a senior engineer. It could be next month, but still working for completion sooner.

Director Steed left the Public Comment open to allow for anyone that arrived late the opportunity to address the board.

Motion: Director Moran to close Public Comment.

Second: Director Roberts.

Ayes: 4

Noes: 0

Unanimous.

Director Steed closed Public Comment at 7:20 p.m.

VI. **PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE 2008 TAX RATES FOR THE DISTRICT-WIDE TAX, THE STEINER RANCH DEFINED AREA TAX, THE FLINTROCK RANCH ESTATES DEFINED AREA TAX, 6:45 P.M.**

Director Steed opened the Public Hearing at 6:50 p.m. to discuss the tax rates to be adopted this evening. Ms. Terrell presented the proposed tax rate for the District-wide Operation and Maintenance tax of \$0.0575 per \$100 assessed valuation, a tax rate of \$0.5494 per \$100 assessed valuation for the Steiner Ranch Defined Area, and a tax rate of \$0.3982 per \$100 assessed valuation for the Flintrock Ranch Estates Defined Area. Notice of this hearing was posted in the September 11 issue of the *Lake Travis View*, and posted agenda made available Friday, September 12. No one came forward to address the Board on tax rates at the public hearing. Director Steed left the Public Hearing open for anyone that arrived late the opportunity to address the board.

Motion: Director Roberts to close Public Hearing regarding tax rates.

Second: Director Moran.

Ayes: 4

Noes: 0

Unanimous.

Director Steed closed Public Hearing regarding tax rates at 7:20 p.m.

VII. **OLD BUSINESS:**

A. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER/TAKE ACTION ON THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009 OPERATING BUDGET.**

General Manager Gernes explained the changes made to the budget since last month's review. Changes were made to include the additional revenue and expenses of the North Lakeway Village wastewater system; the Commander's Point wastewater system to be acquired; addition of the Clearwell tank maintenance project which was recently bid; and minor changes throughout the budget based on the latest financial information.

District Accountant Terrell went through the budget summary pages and explained the fiscal operating budget assumptions 1-13 and distributed the balances of the various impact fee funds. Capital outlay items and construction projects for Hudson Bend Waterline and Area Waterline Projects were discussed. Two additional projects were discussed to be included in the 2008-2009 budget: Oklahoma St, General Williamson, Lariat Trail, Swing Lane and Storm & Stroup; and line replacements of 6230 feet for La Hacienda, Awalt & Phillips Cove.

Motion: Director Moran to adopt the budget as presented.

Second: Director Steed.

Ayes: 4

Noes: 0

Unanimous.

B. DISCUSS/CONSIDER/TAKE ACTION ON THE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2008 TAX RATES FOR THE DISTRICT-WIDE TAX, THE STEINER RANCH DEFINED AREA TAX, THE FLINTROCK RANCH ESTATES DEFINED AREA TAX, AND THE SERENE HILLS DEFINED AREA

The Board discussed the Operation and Maintenance budget's relation to our current tax rate. WCID #17 tax rate is \$0.0575 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

Motion: Director Roberts to approve the Resolution adopting the 2008 tax rates as presented.

Second: Director Moran.

Ayes: 4

Noes: 0

Unanimous.

Director Tuerff wanted it noted that the Board could have voted to raise the District-wide tax rate as allowed by law, but instead voted to keep the tax rate the same as the previous year at \$0.0575 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

C. DISCUSS/CONSIDER/TAKE ACTION ON RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY FOR APPROVAL OF ENGINEERING PROJECT AND THIRD FLINTROCK RANCH ESTATES DEFINED AREA BOND ISSUE BASED UPON HPK VENTURES, LTD.'S REVISED COST ESTIMATE FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO BE INCLUDED IN SUCH APPLICATION.

General Manager Gernes stated that an agreement has been reached on the appropriate reimbursable amount for the irrigation and effluent pond facilities, and the engineering report has been submitted by the developer's engineer. The difference in the amount from the last approved resolution resulted from the addition of reimbursable funds for Flintrock Lift Station A for which the developer paid 100%. She said we are now ready to approve this bond application to TCEQ in the amount of \$5,150,000. Ms. Kalisek stated that due to the nature of all the development agreements previously made for the Flintrock area, an agreement between HPK Ventures Ltd. and Hills II of Lakeway, Inc. clarifying which entity will be reimbursed from the bond sales, and for which facilities reimbursement will be made, has been signed. Copies of the agreement were distributed to the Board.

The District engineer handed out a summary memo which outlined the total costs for these facilities, the capacity in each facility, and the defined area and District's share of each. These figures will be the basis for reimbursement payments to HPK and Hills II of Lakeway for the oversizing built into the facilities to allow for connections

outside of the defined area. Director Roberts asked how we will repay for wastewater LUEs outside the defined area. GM Gernes replied that the District will pay HPK the total amount of the FREDAs share upon sale of the Bonds. At that time, the District will pay Hills II a portion of the District share, based on the number of LUEs currently sold outside the defined area. The District will continue to reimburse the Hills II as additional LUEs are sold outside the District. Mr. Lackey pointed out that the actual cost of the central wastewater facilities including the wastewater treatment plant (\$1650), irrigation system (\$1946), and effluent pond (\$2503) totaled \$6,099 per LUE due to cost overruns. Because the District has been charging the originally calculated \$5,250 per LUE, Mr. Lackey recommended changing to the impact fee to reflect these additional costs.

Director Steed asked River City Engineering to prepare a revised wastewater impact fee study and make any recommendation at the October Board meeting. Ms. Kalisek stated that the Impact Fee Advisory Committee would need to meet, review the proposal, and make recommendation to the Board. Proper notification of fee changes would also need to be made.

Motion: Director Tuerff to approve the resolution authorizing the filing of the third Flintrock Ranch Estates Defined Area bond issue in the amount of \$5,150,000.

Second: Director Moran.

Ayes: 4

Noes: 0

Unanimous.

Ken Heroy thanked WCID #17 for all their work.

D. DISCUSS/CONSIDER/TAKE ACTION ON RESOLUTION REGARDING ACCEPTANCE OF PROEJCT AND REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FINAL PAYMENT FOR THE BIG DAVE'S PUMP STATION AND WATER LINE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.

Mr. Pena, of River City Engineering, stated that this resolution was a requirement of the TWBD upon completion of the project since the TWBD issued bonds to fund the project. Mr. Pena recommended approval of the resolution to accept the project and authorize final payment for Big Dave's pump station and water line improvements.

Motion: Director Moran to approve resolution of acceptance of Big Dave's Pump Station and Waterline Improvements Project and request for release of final payment as presented.

Second: Director Tuerff.

Ayes: 4

Noes: 0

Unanimous.

E. DISCUSS/CONSIDER/TAKE ACTION ON PROPOSED CHANGE ORDER FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MURFIN ROAD SUBTERRANEAN WATER PIPELINE PROJECT FROM J.C. EVANS.

Mr. Pena explained that the negotiations of JC Evans (JCE) have resulted in using Apollo Trenchless, Inc. instead of TAUG for the bore on the Murfin Road Project. By using Apollo, the construction cost has increased, but JCE will absorb a portion of the increase and the increase to the District will be \$52,000. Using Apollo should decrease overall liability.

JCE is preparing to start preliminary work in the area with the actual bore under Lake Austin starting around January, 2009. Director Steed noted that we have River City Engineers recommendation to accept this Change Order No. 1.

Motion: Director Moran to approve Change Order No. 1 for the Murfin Road Project.

Second: Director Roberts.
Ayes: 4
Noes: 0
Unanimous.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. DISCUSS/CONSIDER/TAKE ACTION ON REQUEST COMPLAINT BY LINDA AND BRENT JONES.

Director Steed requested that Ms. Gernes identify the items needed to resolve the issues surrounding the Jones' properties. Ms. Gernes explained that the Jones' have an open permit at 16117 Spring Branch Trail that has expired. Ms. Gernes said that she had told the Jones' that WCID #17 could pull the meter to save them monthly billing, or they needed to complete the Customer Service Inspection (CSI) for this meter service to continue. Ms. Gernes also noted that a letter from the Jones included in the Board packets (Jones Letter) complained that Henry Marley gave the Jones approval of the septic tank location for 16117 Spring Branch Trail. However, they were required to move the septic tank by LCRA who disapproved the location. Ms. Gernes explained that Mr. Marley would not have approved the location since that issue is within the jurisdiction of the LCRA. She also noted that a final inspection by WCID # 17 is required for continuation of service. Ms Gernes also described a second issue regarding 16019 and 16023 Thunder Trail where the current owner has bought the property from the Jones with the understanding that water service was available, but has since learned that an easement is needed for WCID#17 to install a line and service to the property. Ms. Gernes discussed a third issue regarding 1204 Buffalo Gap where the property was sold without having a final inspection completed. Ms. Gernes noted that the District is working with the current owners to get this resolved. The fourth item noted by Ms. Gernes was the vacant lots addressed as 16012, 16016 and 16020 Thunder Trail. Ms Gernes explained that these lots can be served by WCID # 17 once the easement for waterline is obtained and the waterline is extended at the owners' expense. Ms. Gernes discussed the final issue regarding 16011 Thunder Trail where Henry Marley had made a site visit to the area for the proposed waterline and noticed hoses running to and from the house and garage. He inquired about the hoses and decided that a CSI would be needed to determine that there were not potential cross connection hazards that could adversely affect WCID # 17's water system. She stated that the Jones' are accusing Mr. Marley of trespassing on their property at 16011 Thunder Trail.

Ms. Gernes asked Henry Marley for any comments he would like to add. Mr. Marley stated that while he was in the roadway surveying the area for service to 16019 and 16023 Thunder Trail, he noticed a water hose running to/from the garage at 16011 Thunder Trail with the garage door open. He walked up to the gentleman working there to inquire about the hose and what was going on inside the garage, having a friendly conversation. Mr. Marley stated that he learned that they were cutting granite with a wet saw. As he turned to leave, the gentleman came to him and accused him of trespassing. Mr. Marley simply told him that he was concerned that if the hose was hooked up to any equipment, it could create a cross connection and harm WCID # 17's water system.

Director Steed asked if the only issues for the Jones' properties were to pull the meters at 16117 Spring Branch Trail and 16011 Thunder Trail or to have a CSI finalized. Ms. Gernes confirmed that these were the remaining issues at hand.

Director Steed asked Brent and Linda Jones to please address the Board with their concerns. The Jones' handed out three items; a letter dated August 22, 2008 from the Jones to WCID #17, Attn. Deborah S. Gernes, GM; a response letter dated August 27, 2008 from Ms. Gernes to Ms. Linda Jones; and an email with the last date of August 29, 2008 from Scott Skillman to Debbie Gernes and Linda Jones.

Ms. Jones went through the letter she wrote identifying several issues that she had with WCID # 17. She said WCID # 17 is causing ill will throughout the neighborhood by informing property owners of plumbing deficiencies on properties that had recently been purchased from the Jones. Ms. Jones also stated that Mr. Marley had made threatening comments to her son regarding turning off the water to protect the water table during the site visit at 16011 Thunder Trail. Ms. Jones stated that apologies were made by Mr. Marley, Ms. Gernes and herself at the District office when she went to meet with them regarding the events of that day, but now things have worsened.

Ms. Gernes responded that facts were given to the owner of 1204 Buffalo Gap when they came into the District office to find out how to get final inspection and were told what needed to be fixed with no intention of causing ill will. Ms. Jones stated that the letter from Ms. Gernes, dated August 27, was harsh and unacceptable. She pointed out that Ms. Gernes had used the word "illegal" to describe the Jones' action and she felt that this was an incorrect characterization. Director Steed called the meeting to order and said he will review all letters again and the issues with WCID # 17 staff. Director Steed explained to the Jones' that it is important that WCID # 17 enforce its regulations to protect the integrity of its' water system, including service disconnected for non-compliance. He then requested that the Jones' have the CSI done or service will be disconnected He asked if there were any other questions. There were none and the discussion concluded.

B. DISCUSS/CONSIDER/TAKE ACTION REGARDING PROPOSED RATE CHANGE TO DISTRICT'S WATER RATES FOR HIGH VOLUME RETAIL CUSTOMERS.

General Manager Gernes reported that the Conservation Committee had met and would like to recommend to the Board to keep the rates as they are currently. When the committee met, there was not a unanimous consent to hold the rates for the high users, but after the General Manager shared with the Committee what actions are currently in place, as contained in the minutes of the meeting, the Committee realized that the District is a leader for other Districts in our area in the conservation efforts that are being implementing. Director Steed noted that if we meet our goal of a 10% deduction of water usage, it will be a first for the District. Ms. Gernes explained the water audits being done for our high consumption users and how beneficial they are proving to be. She thanked Leslie Terrell, Henry Marley, Jesus Herrera and Lisa Vickery for their hard work and dedication to getting the water audits completed.

Director Steed asked Ms. Gernes to compose a letter to Leander ISD Board of Directors introducing the Conservation Plan and to let them know we will be contacting their grounds keeper in the near future to help them save not only water, but money. Director Steed also wanted a letter sent to Lake Travis ISD (LTISD), but after Ms. Gernes explained how well LTISD is working with our water audit plan, it was decided to wait on sending them a letter. Director Steed wants Ms. Gernes to continue working with LTISD in helping to develop their specific plan. Once the school districts are on board we will go to a school board meeting to acknowledge our appreciation for their help in conserving water consumption. Director Roberts pointed out that we may receive some resistance in the Leander ISD because only a few of their schools are in our service area.

There was no further action on this item..

C. DISCUSS/CONSIDER/TAKE ACTION ON PETITIONS TO ANNEX PROPERTY INTO THE BOUNDARIES OF THE DISTRICT AND THE FLINTROCK RANCH ESTATES DEFINED AREA:

1. R2 Development Properties, Ltd. (Amended Petition for Heller Tract).
2. Travis County WCID No. 17 (Pond Site).

Ms. Gernes stated that the District had received a request last year for the Heller Tract to be annexed into the Flintrock Ranch Estates Defined area and thought that this

tract had already been included in the District boundary at the time of the annexation request, but has found out that this was not the case. Ms. Kalisek stated that there are two petitions needed to annex this tract into District 17; one for the majority of the Heller Tract and the second for the pond site that is now owned by the District. Ms. Kalisek recommended approval of these two petitions contingent upon receipt of the City of Lakeway's consent to the annexation and the additional Lien Holder Consent that may be necessary for R2 property.

Motion: Director Moran to approve executing the two petitions before the Board for annexation of Amended Heller Tract and pond site, pending approval of City of Lakeway.

Second: Director Tuerff.

Ayes: 4

Noes: 0

Unanimous.

D. DISCUSS/CONSIDER/TAKE ACTION ON UPDATE TO DISTRICT INFORMATION FORM AND BOUNDARY MAP.

Leslie Terrell reviewed the District Information Form which contains the updated information regarding the amount of bonds that have been issued, the amount of bonds remaining to be issued and the tax rates for each of the defined areas and the District. Ms. Terrell stated that the boundary map has been updated to include all the annexation that have taken place since last year's update.

Motion: Director Roberts to approve the revised District and Flintrock Ranch Estates Defined Area boundaries, as well as the District Information Form that includes the updated Notice to Purchaser Form.

Second: Director Moran.

Ayes: 4

Noes: 0

Unanimous.

E. DISCUSS/CONSIDER/TAKE ACTION ON FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT FOR WHOLESALE WASTEWATER UTILITY SERVICE FOR THE COMANCHE CANYON RANCH EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT.

Ms. Gernes stated this revision to the City of Austin (COA) Wastewater Contract is to include property owned by Joe Lucas (CTE) that has been sold to the County. There is one LUE assigned to this property and this amendment will allow Mr. Lucas to have it transferred to another nearby property he owns. COA has to approve re-assignment. CTE has been added to this amendment only because of the LUE assignment swap requested, and will not be a part of any other contract items.

Motion: Director Moran to approve the Fourth Amendment as presented.

Second: Director Tuerff.

Ayes: 4

Noes: 0

Unanimous.

F. DISCUSS/CONSIDER/TAKE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING CONTRACT AWARDS:

1. Lake Travis Elementary School Wastewater Line Project.

2. Refurbish Project for Clearwell Tanks #1 and #2.

Ms. Gernes stated that the Lake Travis Elementary School wastewater line project was not ready due to alterations to the project and it will be bid on September 30th.

Clearwell Tanks #1 & #2 refurbish project received two bids turned in out of seven plan sets reviewed. Mr. Lackey recommends awarding the contract to Payton Construction with the lowest bid of \$393,900.

Motion: Director Roberts to award and approve Payton Construction for the Clearwell Tanks project.

Second: Director Moran.

Ayes: 4

Noes: 0

Unanimous.

G. DISCUSS/CONSIDER/TAKE ACTION ON ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS REAL PROPERTY PARCELS LOCATED WITHIN THE DISTRICT'S BOUNDARIES.

No action on this item. Item will be reviewed in Executive Session.

- IX. THE BOARD WILL MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DELIBERATE THE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE DISTRICT'S BOUNDARIES AND TO RECEIVE ADVICE FROM ITS ATTORNEY REGARDING SUCH PURCHASE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 551.071 AND 551.072.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:15 p.m. Director Steed closed the Executive Session at 8:52 p.m. The Board heard from their attorney and General Manager on prospective real estate transactions. There was no action taken on this item.

- X. THE BOARD WILL MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO SEEK ADVICE FROM ITS ATTORNEY REGARDING THE FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT FOR WHOLESALE WASTEWATER UTILITY SERVICE FOR THE COMANCHE CANYON RANCH EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.071.

This session was not required. No action.

- XI. ADJOURNMENT.

Motion: Director Tuerff to adjourn the meeting.

Second: Director Moran.

Ayes: 4

Noes: 0

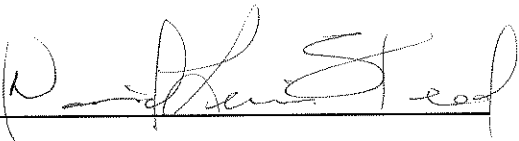
Unanimous.

Director Steed adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

Approved this 23rd day of October 2008, with a motion

by Director Roberts and a Second by Director Moran.

Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstained _____



Presiding Officer



Secretary

Memorandum

To: Deborah Gernes

From: Patrick Lackey, P.E.

Re: Flintrock Falls Golf Course Facility Summary

Enclosed is a summary memorandum of key control facilities for wastewater storage and disposal of the project. This serves as the basis for calculations of bond reimbursement for the Flintrock Ranch Defined Area (FRDA). The calculations are compared to the District's current wastewater impact fee calculations. It appears that based on the actual cost of this project these fees should be adjusted. The calculations are rounded to reflect approximate numbers, based on the \$5.15M August 28, 2008 FRDA bond issue.

Flintrock Falls Golf Course Facility Summary

1. Existing Spray Irrigation - 113.8 acres

- 2.64 AF/A/YR = 268,208 GPD
- 250 GPD/LUE = 1072 LUE's
- Reserve 550 LUE's for FRDA (51%)
- Leaves 522 LUE's for WD17 (49%)

2. Existing Storage – Net Volume 13,187,638 Gallons

- Without bottom 4' upper pond and bottom 10' lower pond
- Pond storage at 70 days @ 250 GPD/LUE = 17,500 G
- FRDA 550 LUE's x 17,500 G/LUE = 9,625,000 G
- WD17 203 LUE's x 17,500 G/LUE = 3,552,500 G

Therefore, existing storage is (73%) FRDA and (27%) WD17 – 203 LUE's

3. Existing Irrigation Easement – 178.4 acres

Constructed Spray Irrigation (Net) – 113.8 acres (64%)

4. Ponds and Modifications (B1,2)	\$ 1,639,357.00
Engineering and Inspection (14.9%)	<u>\$ 244,264.00</u>
Subtotal	\$ 1,883,621.00
At 753 LUE's Capacity	\$ 2,501.50/LUE
FRDA Share (550 LUE's, 73%)	\$ 1,376,925.00
WD17 Share (203 LUE's, 27%)	\$ 506,696.00
5. Irrigation (B3,4)	\$ 1,956,040.00
Engineering (14.9% of 3)	<u>\$ 130,439.00</u>
Subtotal	\$ 2,086,479.00
at 1072 LUE's Capacity	\$ 1,946.35/LUE
FRDA Share (550 LUE, 51%)	\$ 1,070,484.00
WD17 Share (522 LUE's, 49%)	\$ 1,015,995.00

6. Flintrock Wastewater Plant

\$3,300,000 @ 2000/LUE's \$ 1,650.00/LUE

7. Revised Impact Fee Calculation

		<u>Original</u>
Storage	\$ 2,503/LUE	\$ 1,869.00
Irrigation	\$ 1,946/LUE	\$ 1,727.00
WWTP	<u>\$ 1,650/LUE</u>	<u>\$ 1,654.00</u>
	\$ 6,099/LUE	\$ 5,250/LUE

8. FRDA Share

Storage	\$ 1,376,925
Irrigation	<u>\$ 1,070,484</u>
	\$ 2,447,409

9. WD17 Share

Storage	\$ 506,696
Irrigation	<u>\$ 1,015,995</u>
	\$ 1,522,691

Water Conservation Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: September 10, 2008

Time: 4:30 PM

Attendees: Jeff Roberts, Kevin Tuerff, Debbie Gernes

Notes by: Linda Sandlin

Travis County WCID #17 Rate Comparison was reviewed. Utility districts reviewed were Anderson Mill, Hurst Creek, Lakeway, Brushy Creek, River Place, LCRA (Bee Cave), City of Austin, City of Cedar Park, City of Georgetown, City of Hutto, City of Leander, City of Round Rock and WCID #17.

- Of the thirteen providers of water and wastewater, WCID #17 has the 5th highest rates and is the only entity with a rate for use over 100K gallons per 1,000.
- After review and discussion, it was recommended that we ask the Board not to raise WCID #17 rates at this time.

A discussion was held regarding reaching our goal to cut usage by 10% this year. We will run reports on a per capita basis using the number of meters from last year compared to this year. A review was made of our customers using more than 100,000 gallons of water consumption between 8/1/08 and 8/31/08. Debbie Gernes went through the audit program that has been set up.

- Individual letters are being mailed to 100,000+ gallon users stating that an audit is being performed because they are using more than 100,000 gallons.
- Doug Christenson of Accord Irrigation has been hired to perform audits.
- The letter lets them know that Doug Christenson will be contacting them for a free water audit of their watering system and to suggest irrigation adjustments.
- Christenson is showing them charts of their daily usage for the past quarter.
- This customer education is going a long way in awareness and planning.
- As of 8/28/08 fifteen audits have been performed on site with customers.

Discussion was held regarding LTISD water plan.

- We are working on a defined school plan.
- Roberts asked if there was an opportunity to get the school to reuse water, but Gernes explained that when she discussed this with the ISD they felt the capital construction cost were too high and there was a question about the availability of enough effluent.
- Christenson has been working with the grounds keeper and educating them on how much water is being used in each zone.

Committee Recommendations

WCID #17 not change the rates at this time

WCID #17 participate with City of Austin and LCRA in any water conservation programs they have to the extent feasible

WCID #17 continue to follow the two day watering schedule as the other surrounding entities do with additional enforcement in the form of fines

WCID #17 continue to pursue the programs currently being followed

- Continue education in the form of brochures, mail outs, bill notices, signs and HOA talks
- Holding annual Waterfest
- Performing individual audits of 100,000+ gallon users and lower number of excessive users as possible.
- Participating with other local government agencies in information and data gathering such as panels and task forces
- Targeting school district to optimize irrigation and reduce usage by 10-15%.
- Continuing annual leak detection contract for ¼ of the waterlines each year

Conservation Plan and Goals for 2008-2009 are being worked up.