

MINUTES

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' FISCAL COMMITTEE

SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY

May 11, 2009, 11:00 AM



GENERAL AND CEREMONIAL ITEMS:

1. CALL TO ORDER WAS MADE BY THE CHAIRMAN, MR. GAYLON OEHLKE AT 11:12 AM

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS CONDUCTED

3. ROLL CALL WAS MADE BY THE SECRETARY, MS. BAIAMONTE

**Board members present for this meeting are indicated with a checked box:*

Terry E. Baiamonte

A.D. Kollodziej, Jr.

Hector R. Morales

Jeffrey S. Neathery

Gaylon J. Oehlke

H. B. Ruckman III (arrived at 12 noon)

4. CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM WAS MADE BY THE SECRETARY, MS. BAIAMONTE

5. INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

Ms. Moreno announced that there were no visitors in the audience.

6. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Ms. Moreno announced that there were no citizens signed up to speak at the present time.

7. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE FISCAL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON APRIL 6, 2009

Staff recommended a motion to approve the minutes of the Fiscal Committee meeting held on April 6, 2009 as presented to the Committee.

Motion by Jeffrey S. Neathery

Second by Hector R. Morales

Motion passed unanimously

INDIVIDUAL AGENDA ITEMS:

8. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION REGARDING THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009/10 AND THE FIVE-YEAR FINANCIAL FORECAST

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Oehlke called for Agenda Item 9.

A short break was conducted at 12:01 p.m. and the committee reconvened at 12:14 p.m.

9. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT NO. 40 TO SEWAGE TRANSPORTATION, TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL CONTRACTS ESTABLISHING RATES/FEEES FOR THE SALATRILLO CREEK WHOLESALE WASTEWATER SYSTEM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009/10

Staff recommended a motion indicating Fiscal Committee support for and recommending to the Board of Directors an Ordinance amending the sewage transportation, treatment and disposal contract and establishing impact fees and wastewater service charges to become effective July 1, 2009, for the Salatrillo Creek Wholesale Wastewater System.

Motion by H.B. Ruckman III

Second by Jeffrey S. Neathery

Motion passed unanimously

10. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING RATES/FEEES FOR THE SALATRILLO CREEK RETAIL WASTEWATER SYSTEM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009/10

Staff recommended a motion indicating Fiscal Committee support for and recommending to the Board of Directors an Ordinance establishing impact fees and wastewater service charges to become effective July 1, 2009 for the Salatrillo Creek Retail Wastewater System.

Motion by Jeffrey S. Neathery

Second by Hector R. Morales

Motion passed unanimously

11. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION ESTABLISHING A CHARGE FOR RECLAIMED WATER AT THE SALATRILLO WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Staff recommended a motion indicating Fiscal Committee support for and recommending to the Board of Directors an Ordinance authorizing and directing the General Manager continue the program for the sale and delivery of treated municipal wastewater (reclaimed water) at the Salatrillo Creek Wholesale Wastewater Plant to become effective July 1, 2009.

Motion by Jeffrey S. Neathery

Second by Hector R. Morales

Motion passed unanimously

12. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING RATES/FEEES FOR THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY WASTEWATER SYSTEM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009/10

Staff recommended a motion indicating Fiscal Committee support for and recommending to the Board of Directors an Ordinance establishing impact fees and wastewater service charges to become effective July 1, 2009 for the San Antonio River Authority Wastewater System.

Motion by H.B. Ruckman III

Second by Hector R. Morales

Motion passed unanimously

13. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION ESTABLISHING RATES/FEEES FOR THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY WATER SYSTEM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009/10

Staff recommended a motion indicating Fiscal Committee support for and recommending to the Board of Directors an Ordinance establishing water service charges to become effective July 1, 2009 for the San Antonio River Authority Water System.

Motion by H.B. Ruckman III

Second by Jeffrey S. Neathery

Motion passed unanimously

14. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING SELECTION OF AUDIT FIRM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2009

Staff recommended a motion recommending to the General Manager an audit firm, to be named after discussion and the unsealing of the bids, for contract negotiations with the San Antonio River Authority.

After discussion and unsealing of the bids, the Board decided on Padgett Stratemann & Co, LLP and requested that staff negotiate a discount of 10% off the proposed price for the audit.

Motion by H.B. Ruckman III
Second by Jeffrey S. Neathery
Motion passed unanimously

15. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING FISCAL YEAR 2009/10 ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT REGIONAL WATER AND WASTEWATER LABORATORY ANALYTICAL FEE SCHEDULE AND CHANGE IN PROCEDURE FOR FUTURE LABORATORY ANALYTICAL FEE SCHEDULE APPROVAL

Staff recommended a motion indicating Operations Committee support for the Board of Directors to adopt the 2009/10 Environmental Sciences Department Regional Water and Wastewater Laboratory Fee Schedule.

Motion by Jeffrey S. Neathery
Second by Hector R. Morales
Motion passed unanimously

16. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE SARA WASTEWATER SYSTEMS CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND PROPOSED FINANCING AND BUDGET

Mr. Oehlke announced that this item would be tabled until the Special Board Meeting to be held on June 3, 2009.

17. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE REVISED PARK SERVICES DEPARTMENT WORK PROGRAM AND BUDGET FOR FY 09/10 INCLUDING POTENTIAL FUTURE OPERATIONAL AGREEMENTS WITH CPS ENERGY REGARDING BRAUNIG AND CALAVERAS LAKE PARKS

No action was taken on this item, so Mr. Oehlke called on Agenda Item 18.

18. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION REGARDING A CHANGE IN ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Oehlke called for Agenda Item 19.

19. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

- UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR,
- FUTURE BOARD AND/OR COMMITTEE MEETINGS,
- MEETINGS INVOLVING THE ATTENDANCE OF ONE OR MORE BOARD MEMBERS.

Ms. Scott discussed the calendar of events with the Board and highlighted the Special Meeting (Budget Workshop) to be held on June 3, 2009 and asked that the Board anticipate the mailing of three budget books in preparation for that meeting. She also gave notice of the Museum Reach ceremonies to be held on May 30, 2009.

Ms. McCoy-Huber gave notice of the following meetings to be scheduled:

June 2009

- Special Board Meeting: Budget Workshop, Wednesday, June 3, 2009
- Regular Board Meeting: Adopt Fiscal Year 2009/10 Budget, Wednesday, June 17, 2009

August 2009

- Fiscal Committee Meeting: Discuss Tax Rate, Monday, August 10, 2009
- Regular Board Meeting: Vote to Publish Proposed Tax Rate, Wednesday, August 19, 2009

September 2009

- Special Board Meeting: Public Hearing and Adopt Tax Rate, Tuesday, September 1, 2009

October 2009

- Fiscal Committee Meeting: Annual Review of the River Authority Investment Policy; Presentation and Discussion on the Audited Financial Statements for the Year Ending June 30, 2009, Monday, October 12, 2009
- Regular Board Meeting: Ordinance Adopting Investment Policy; Presentation and Discussion on the Audited Financial Statements for the Year Ending June 30, 2009, Wednesday, October 21, 2009

20. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION REGARDING ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION BY THE FISCAL COMMITTEE

This item was addressed under Agenda Item # 19: General Manager's Report.

21. NEXT MEETING DATE

Mr. Oehlke announced that the next Fiscal Committee meeting date will be Monday, August 10, 2009, at 12:00 p.m.

22. ADJOURN

There being nothing further to report, Mr. Oehlke called the meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

PREPARED AND RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY THE MANAGER.

SUZANNE B. SCOTT, General Manager

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' FISCAL COMMITTEE AT THE MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 10, 2009.

GAYLON J. OEHLKE, Chairman

ATTEST:

TERRY BAIAMONTE, Committee Secretary