

April 19, 1999

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Northern Kentucky Water Service District was held on April 19, 1999 at the Aqua Drive office. All Commissioners were present. Also present were Mr. Willaman, Mr. Barrow, members of the District staff, Mr. Pangburn, Mr. James Sparrow of Rankin, Rankin & Company and Mr. Larry Humpert of Humpert Wolnitzek Architects.

Dr. Sommerkamp called the meeting to order. On motion of Mr. Hatfield, seconded by Mr. Hemmer, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 16, 1999.

The Board recognized Bob Gabbard of the District staff for his receipt on March 29, 1999 of the State of Kentucky Mitchell Award for outstanding service to the water industry. The Board also recognized Mr. Ken Knipper and Mr. Ron Schneider of the Campbell County Office of Emergency Management for their assistance in the issuance and lifting of a boil water advisory during the first weekend of April 1999.

The Board reviewed correspondence received during the month of March 1999.

Mr. Sparrow presented the results of an audit of the District's financial statements for the year ended December 31, 1998 and a management letter to the Board. After review and on motion of Mr. Keeney, seconded by Mr. Veatch, the Board unanimously accepted the audit report, the management letter and the District's annual report.

Mr. Gabbard of the District staff provided an update on the painting of the Lumley Tank in Fort Thomas. Mr. Gabbard informed the Board that the Facilities Committee had awarded the contract in accordance with the authority previously given the Committee by the Board.

Mr. Gabbard presented the bids received for annual pump inspection services. After review and on motion of Mr. Hemmer, seconded by Ms. Almoslechner, the Board unanimously awarded the contract to Reynolds, the lowest compliant bidder.

Mr. Willaman presented an update on current and future projects.

Mr. Willaman presented a request from the Judge/Executive of Pendleton County requesting that a 16 inch main be substituted for a proposed 12 inch main in connection with a portion of the Subdistrict C project. The Board directed that Mr. Willaman meet with representatives of Pendleton County to discuss the financing of the upgrade.

The Board reviewed the bids received for the Kennedy Road and Rivard Drive water main project. On motion of Mr. Veatch, seconded by Mr. Hatfield, the Board unanimously awarded the contract to Howell Contractors, the lowest compliant bidder.

The Board reviewed the bids received for the Highland Pike (Orphanage to Reeves) water main project. On motion of Ms. Almoslechner, seconded by Mr. Keeney, the Board unanimously awarded the project to Paul Rack Excavating, the lowest compliant bidder.

Mr. Harrison of the District staff reported on the City of Lakeside Park's roadway replacement project along Williams Avenue. After discussion and on motion of Mr. Hatfield, seconded by Mr. Hemmer, the Board unanimously agreed to authorize the replacement of the water main along Williams Avenue.

The Board reviewed a proposal to install a 12 inch water main from the U.S. 27 pump station to the Fort Thomas treatment plant. After review and on motion of Mr. Keeney, seconded by Mr. Veatch, the Board unanimously agreed to authorize the design for the project.

Mr. Lofland of the District staff delivered a presentation on a proposed Managed Customer Information and Billing System for the District. After discussion and on motion of Mr. Keeney, seconded by Mr. Veatch, Messrs. Hatfield, Hemmer, Keeney and Veatch voted to award a contract for the System to Convergys, the sole entity to submit a bid. Dr. Sommerkamp and Ms. Almoslechner both abstained from voting.

The Board discussed the possible need for a cost of service study and agreed to refer the issue to the Finance Committee for review.

After review and on motion of Mr. Veatch, seconded by Mr. Hatfield, the Board unanimously approved a resolution to authorize the Chair of the Board to execute a pipeline crossing agreement with CSX Transportation, Inc.

Mr. Humpert provided a report on the possible use of the Aqua Drive property for a Central Facility for the District. On motion of Mr. Veatch, seconded by Ms. Almoslechner, the Board unanimously agreed to proceed with a geotechnical and environmental study of the property.

Mr. Harrison presented a proposal to complete the GIS project for the Campbell County service area. On motion of Mr. Hemmer, seconded by Ms. Almoslechner, the Board unanimously authorized the retention of Woolpert LLP for the completion of the project.

Ms. Frances Robinson of the District staff presented a report on planned activities for National Drinking Water Week.

The Board reviewed Department reports.

After review and on motion of Mr. Veatch, seconded by Mr. Keeney, the Board unanimously approved expenditures for the month of March 1999.

Other business of a general nature was discussed.

On motion of Mr. Hatfield, seconded by Mr. Veatch, the Board unanimously agreed to go into executive session under the provisions of KRS 61.810(1)(c) to discuss proposed and pending litigation.

The Board returned to open session. On motion of Mr. Hatfield, seconded by Mr. Veatch, the Board unanimously approved a resolution to enter a proposed Settlement Agreement and Release with Fru©Con Construction Corporation and Black & Veatch, LLP and a proposed Funding Agreement with Black & Veatch, LLP in connection with the Ohio River Intake project. The resolution also authorized the Chair of the Board and/or the General Manager to execute both agreements on behalf of the District.

On motion of Ms. Almoslechner, seconded by Mr. Keeney, the Board authorized the retention of Carlos Miller of Kenvirons as a consultant to the District.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting of the Board will be held on Tuesday, May 18, 1999 at the Aqua Drive office.