

NORTHERN KENTUCKY WATER DISTRICT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
July 12, 2004

A regular meeting of the Board of commissioners of the Northern Kentucky Water District was held on July 12, 2004 at the District's Aqua Drive office. Commissioners Collins, Jackson, Koester, Veatch, Wagner and Sommerkamp were present. Also present were Ron Lovan, Ron Barrow, Richard Harrison, Bari Joslyn, Bill Wulfeck, Mark Lofland, Don Gibson, Frances Robinson, Amy Kramer, Bob Buhrlage, Andy Remlinger, Mary Carol Wagner, Debra Decoursey, Frank Armstrong, Joe Lippert, Mark Tischner, Brett Wanner and Michael DeFrank.

Mr. Wagner called the meeting to order.

Mr. Wagner led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Lovan acknowledged District employees Frank Armstrong, Joe Lippert, Mark Tischner and Brett Wanner for their participation in the rodeo competition. Tim Messmer and Dave Powell also participated in the competition but could not be in attendance.

The Commissioners reviewed correspondence received and news articles published since the last regular meeting.

After review and on motion of Mr. Veatch, seconded by Mr. Koester, the Commissioners unanimously approved the minutes for the regular meeting held on June 10, 2004 and the special meeting held on June 25, 2004.

After review and on motion of Mr. Collins, seconded by Dr. Sommerkamp, the Commissioners unanimously approved the expenditures of the District for the month of June 2004.

Mr. Wulfeck of the District staff presented bids received for certain chemicals used in the water treatment process at the District's three treatment facilities. After review and discussion and on motion of Mr. Jackson, seconded by Dr. Sommerkamp, the Commissioners unanimously agreed to award the bids to the lowest and best bidders based on the chemicals having been shown to be the most cost effective for achieving the District's treatment goals.

Amy Kramer of the District staff presented for consideration the water main extension and upgrade project along Garvey Road in the City of Elsmere. Richard Harrison of the District staff excused himself from the discussion of the project due to the fact that his family owns property along Garvey Road. After review and discussion and on motion of Dr. Sommerkamp, seconded by Mr. Koester, the Commissioners unanimously agreed to authorize the upgrade and participation with the City of Elsmere and Kenton County Fiscal Court's in the water main extension project along Garvey Road.

Mr. Harrison of the District staff presented bids for the 8-inch water main relocation project on Four Mile Pike. After review and discussion and on motion of Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Jackson, the Commissioners unanimously agreed to authorize the execution of the contract documents to award the project to Rose Excavating and Development, Inc., the lowest responsible bidder.

Mr. Harrison of the District staff presented bids for construction of a 20-inch emergency interconnect from Memorial Parkway to Waterworks Road in Ft. Thomas. After review and discussion and on motion of Mr. Koester, seconded by Dr. Sommerkamp, the Commissioners unanimously rejected the bids received for the project because the bids significantly exceeded the engineer's construction estimate.

Mr. Harrison of the District staff presented bids for the 16-inch water main replacement project in Latonia. After review and discussion and on motion of Dr. Sommerkamp, seconded by Mr. Jackson, the Commissioners unanimously agreed to authorize the execution of the contract documents to award the project to Larry Smith Contractors, Inc., the lowest responsible bidder, and authorize the increase of the project budget to \$872,758.

Mr. Harrison of the District staff presented for consideration a bid award withdrawal for the Subdistrict K water main extension project along Klette, Rice and Marshall Roads. After review and discussion and on motion of Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Koester, the Commissioners unanimously agreed to void and annul the award of contract for the Subdistrict K water main extension project to Brackney, Inc. because the Kentucky Public Service Commission delayed the approval of the project until June 14, 2004, which led to additional material costs due to the long delay and the bids expired in January, 2004.

Mr. Harrison of the District staff presented bids for the construction of a water meter pit pursuant to the Agreement Relating to Emergency Water Supply between the District and the Airport. After review and discussion and on motion of Mr. Veatch, seconded by Dr. Sommerkamp, the Commissioners authorized the execution of the contract documents to award the project to Jack Gemmer & Sons, the lowest responsible bidder.

The Commissioners reviewed the District Finance Reports.

The District reviewed the Department Reports. Mr. Lofland of the District staff made special note of the excellent work performed by the District's staff in implementing the new customer information and billing system, and noted that the staff worked an entire weekend to ensure a smooth transition from the old billing system. Mr. Lovan noted that he discussed with the Sanitation District the capabilities of the District's new customer information and billing system and offered to share information regarding the system and work with the Sanitation District to achieve efficiencies and savings if the Sanitation District is so inclined. The intent was to explore opportunities as the Sanitation District considers future upgrades to their system, and not to propose a combined system.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.