

**CLARK REGIONAL WASTEWATER DISTRICT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES  
CONTINUED MEETING  
December 27, 2007**

The continued meeting from December 20, 2007 was held on December 27, 2007 at the District Conference Room, 8000 NE 52<sup>nd</sup> Court, Vancouver, Washington. Commissioner Harker called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

Those in attendance were: Commissioners Neil Kimsey, Denny Kiggins and Norm Harker.

District staff: Chuck McDonald, Ken Andrews, John Peterson, Hugh Findlay and Kim Thur.

Visitors Present for Special Presentations: Greg Kimsey, Clark County Auditor.

Visitors Present for Regular Meeting: Steve Wall with City of Ridgefield; Andrew Young with MacKay & Sposito.

**ADDITIONS & DELETIONS TO AGENDA:** None.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:** Oath of Office – Commissioner Neil Kimsey – Clark County Auditor Greg Kimsey presented the oath of office to Commissioner Neil Kimsey for his re-election in 2008.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Commissioner Kiggins moved to approve the Consent Agenda and authorize the recommended action, approving the December 6, 2007 continued meeting minutes; December 11, 2007 regular meeting minutes; claim vouchers #s 35534-35588, including voided voucher #34970, in the amount of \$268,674.25 from the Maintenance Fund and \$9,225.00 from the Capital Projects fund; approving the Inslee, Best, Doezie & Ryder rates for 2008 and 2009 and authorizing the President of the Board to sign the letter of agreement; appointing Commissioner Kiggins as president of the Board in 2008, Commissioner Kimsey as Secretary and Commissioner Harker as Vice President; and authorizing staff to schedule the Annexation 03-07 hearing on January 22, 2008 at 5:00 PM or as soon thereafter as possible.

Commissioner Kimsey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

**COMMUNICATIONS: Items from the Audience** – No one present wished to speak.

**REPORTS: Board Members:** None.

**Assistant Manager/Engineer: Engineering Project Status Report & Interim General Manager/Engineer Activities Report (General Manager Interviews; Clark County – Pete Capell Meeting; City of Vancouver – Brian Carlson Meeting; General Manager Phone Interviews; Local Limits Meeting with Ecology; December 18 Board of Commissioners Meeting; Sewer Summit Follow Up)** – Chuck McDonald briefly reviewed each item.

**Finance Director: Finance Director's Report (2003-2008 Washington Excise Tax Audit; 2008 Budget)** – Ken Andrews briefly reviewed each item.

**District Legal Counsel:** No report.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Memorandum of Understanding – North County Regional Wastewater Pipeline** – John Peterson briefly reviewed his memo, as well as the latest draft Memorandum of Understanding, which includes legal counsel's comments, as well as Battle Ground's latest revisions, which was sent earlier today.

Steve Wall, Ridgefield Public Works Director, presented the City's position on the matter.

Discussion occurred on who should be nominated to the Three Creeks Advisory Board by the District. Chuck McDonald suggested that the General Manager, a District Commissioner and Ron Lauser be nominated. District staff will prepare a letter for the Board's review and signature at the January 8 Board meeting.

Chuck McDonald presented a handout requesting the Board to determine their top 3 issues/concerns for 2008. Items included: Septic tank elimination program; regionalization; developing an annexation/assumption agreement with the City of Vancouver; Salmon Creek Treatment Plant; and relationships with other organizations. District staff requested to discuss this further at a work session on January 8 at 3 PM.

Discussion occurred on the General Manager recruitment. The Board stated that their ideal

General Manager candidate will focus on managing the day-to-day operations of the District.

Discussion occurred on the proposed salaries for the General Manager and District Engineer positions. Staff has concerns that the salaries may need to be adjusted upwards in order to obtain better qualified candidates if the Board is looking for someone to not only manage the day-to-day operations of the District but also the regional/annexation issues.

The Board expressed an interest in having the new General Manager manage the day-to-day operations of the District as well as be a partner in the regional issues, but not be the person leading the efforts for all of the agencies.

General discussion occurred on each Board member's vision for the District.

Hugh Findlay asked for further direction from the Board on the current General Manager candidates. The Board concurred with staff contacting all candidates except the candidate on the short list and advise them that the Board is no longer interested in moving forward with them in the process.

Commissioner Kimsey moved to continue the meeting until Tuesday, January 8, 2008 at 3:00 PM at the District office.

Commissioner Kiggins seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

At 5:54 PM, Commissioner Harker continued the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary