

E&O Minutes of Meeting held on December 7, 2011

Present:-- Ike Herrick, Chairman; Frank Black, Member; Jacob Angelo, Member; Don Walden, Member; Jerry Hietpas, Board Liaison; Earl Foster, General Manager; Christianne Castleberry Engineer; Ramzi Deeb, Secretary. Audience attendance - Nick Renneker

Ike called the meeting to order at 1:35 P.M.

1. Critical evaluation of 2012 capital projects.

Evaluations were not yet final, committee deferred item until the January meeting to allow Earl adequate time to complete the evaluations.

2. Update on barges B-3 (LMUD) and B-4 (LCRA).

Two bids received by District for replacement of floatation devices on B-3 and B-4 varied widely. Earl will determine if similar specifications were given to each bidder before naming a successful bidder.

Merrigan Electric was the successful bidder for extension of control cable on the B-4 at bid of \$4148. Merrigan was also successful bidder for anchor cable work on B-4, with bid of \$1420.

Earnest money has been paid to LCRA for B-4. Details of easements and title transfer must be completed before transfer of B-4 to the District.

3. Tallstar odor control noise problem and follow up.

Replacement of T-joint with sweep did not solve the noise problem--in fact noise increased. Earl will coordinate with contractor for possible solutions.

4. M-2 Update.

Christianne reported that progress is as planned and structure is expected to be complete by December 23, 2011. Committee reviewed pay application to Fazzone Construction Co. Inc. in amount of \$21856.09. This is already approved by District.

5. Progress with Highlands negotiations.

The Highlands and the District reached an agreement to use the figure of 253 gallons per LUE. A full agreement is being worked on and is currently in progress, with Earl having weekly meetings. A lengthy committee discussion about how the original rates with Highlands were calculated took place. Committee suggested Earl contact local resident to determine if he has any historical knowledge on subject.

6. Energy Audit report.

Christianne reported that this is a free service provided to see how District efficiency can be improved. The report showed that the District is very efficient and qualifies for City of Austin Award. Recommendations from District to improve efficiency will be forthcoming, after a complete review of Energy Audit by staff. Christianne will send the report to E&O for review.

Meeting adjourned at 3:05 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Ramzi Deeb