

**JACKSON COUNTY WATER
AND SEWERAGE AUTHORITY**

WORK SESSION

May 1, 2008

Chairman Hunter Bicknell called the work session to order at 5:35 p.m. Members present included Chairman Hunter Bicknell, Vice Chairman Randall Pugh, and Board Member's Alex Bryan and Andy Goodman. Also present: Manager Eric Klerk, Attorney Paul Smart, GIS Analyst Mike Johnson, Chief Engineer Fred Alke, Engineer Rob MacPherson, Chief Operator Mark Dudziak, Water Supervisor Stacy Jenkins, Financial Director Judy Davis, and Board Secretary Denise Nation. Visitors included Mark Beardsley with The Main Street News and Duane Schlereth of Bates Carter & Co.

AGENDA ITEMS DISCUSSED

Presentation of the 2007 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

Duane Schlereth, Accountant, presented the 2007 annual report to the board. Duane commended Financial Director Judy Davis for the outstanding job she had done in preparing all the financial reports over the past year for them. He further stated that it made things much easier for them. Duane also stated that our financial report for 2007 looked very good and also there were no findings this year and only one adjustment to be made.

No action was taken at this time.

Wholesale Water Rates

Chairman Bicknell stated that the Authority needed to sell more water but without running out of water this summer. He further stated there was a conservation program in place and that should help keep us from running out of water.

Chairman Bicknell stated that he had spoken to Braselton and they still were interested in buying water from the Authority. They will continue to buy the majority of their water from Barrow County, but would like to buy from us if we can sell to them at a better price than what they can buy from Gwinnett.

The Board further stated that a commitment to buy a set amount at a certain price would need to be made. He stated that Braselton would want to buy around 3000,000 gallons/day. This is what they are buying from Gwinnett in a restricted level at the present.

Authority manager Klerk stated Tim Grog, a consultant, is coming in to give us a recommendation of what would be best for the Authority in selling water to Braselton. He further stated we needed to sell water to other counties at what we can as long as it is a win/win situation.

Chairman Bicknell stated that they would wait for Mr. Grog to make his recommendations before making any commitments to other counties.

No action was taken at this time.

Master Contract with Prime Engineering

Manager Klerk stated the present contract with Prime Engineering is almost used up and the Authority needed to write another new contract with them.

After some discussion it was decided that Manager Klerk would get with Authority Attorney Paul Smart and Prime Engineer Rob MacPherson to draw up an Agreement to present to the Board for approval.

No action was taken at this time.

Ridge Mill Manor Pressure

Manager Klerk stated that Ridge Mill Manor Subdivision off Hoods Mill Road designed roughly in 2002 and approved in 2003 by former staff, which was probably not a good decision at that time, is now having problems with water pressure.

All the houses in that subdivision are two story houses. The homeowners are complaining that there is not enough water pressure to get water to the upstairs bathrooms to take a shower.

Manager Klerk stated that they are just meeting the state standards. The state standards do not address the people taking showers upstairs in their homes. People are complaining and want something done.

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Manager Klerk further stated that adding a small buster station at the entry way of the subdivision would help maintain their pressure at 50 PSI in the subdivision. This will allow the pressure needed to pump the water to the homes and then have the pressure to take showers upstairs.

Rob MacPherson with Prime is doing some initial engineering designs and will present to the board at a later date.

No action was taken at this time.

Bank RFP

Financial Director Judy Davis stated that over the past 4 to 6 months the Authority has been solicited by several banks in the area for our service.

Ms. Davis asked the board to authorize Manager Klerk, herself and one board member to serve on a committee to talk with and have these bank managers to come in and present a 20 minute presentation on their services and what they can do for us.

Chairman Bicknell stated the board would make a recommendation at the next regular board meeting.

No action was taken at this time.

Water Service to Norman & Williams Roads

No one from these two roads showed up for the meeting.

Chairman Bicknell will get with Commissioner Dwayne to see what can be done for the people living on these two roads that have no water.

No action was taken at this time.

There being no further items of discussion, this work session as adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Denise P. Nation, Board Secretary