

Date 12/19/2007

Public Hearing 2008 Boothbay Harbor Sewer District

PRESENT:

Alden Jordan

Robert Muller

Chris Higgins

Jon Ziegler

OPEN MEETING: Alden Jordan opened meeting at 6:00PM

REVIEW OF FINAL DRAFT 2008 BUDGET: The final Draft of the 2008 Budget was reviewed. Alden Jordan made motion to accept 2008 Budget as presented. Robert Muller seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

REVIEW OF 2008 2009, 2010 RATE INCREASE: After review of the final 2008, 2009, 2010 rate calculations and projections, Robert Muller made motion to accept the rate increases as proposed (2008 7.75%, 2009 3.0% and 2010, 3.0%). Alden Jordan seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Jon Ziegler was present on behalf of the Boothbay Region Water District. Jon praised the District as a very efficient operation. Jon said he understood the need for a rate increase, but wanted to know what the impact of the increases would mean for the Water System. Jon was in the process of setting the District's 2008 budget and needed a monetary amount. Chris informed him that his rate would increase from 5.80 to 6.25 per 100 ft<sup>3</sup> and that the filter factor would not change and would remain 0.032 of the finished water total. The monetary increase will approximately amount to 50,500. Per year. Jon Ziegler thanked the Board for their time.

Kitty Hartford called Chris Higgins and asked to have her comments entered in the record because she could not attend the Public Hearing. Kitty was concerned that the Ready to Serve Fee was an unnecessary charge and that the fee was unfair to people. Also, she indicated that the fee was a deterrent for some potential buyers of real estate. The Board of Trustees noted Ms. Hartford's concerns.

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ADJOURN MEETING: Alden Jordan made motion to adjourn the Public Hearing. Robert Muller seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous. Public Hearing ended at 6:50 pm.

#### REGULAR TRUSTEE MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Alden Jordan called the meeting to order at 6:51 PM.

REVIEW MINUTES of 12/5/07 after review of the minutes of 12/5/07, Robert Muller made motion to accept minutes as presented. Alden Jordan seconded the motion. Vote to accept was unanimous.

EXECUTE WARRANT #1102: after review of warrant 1102 Robert Muller made motion to execute warrant 1102 as presented. Alden Jordan seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

ENTRANCE APPLICATIONS-HODGDON & BOTTI: The Trustees executed the entrance applications for James Botti, 3 Kenniston Way of Boothbay and Florence Hodgdon of 85 Eastern Ave in Boothbay Harbor.

TRANSFER FUNDS FROM ENTRANCE FEE ACCOUNT TO REGULAR CHECKING TO PAY FOR CAPITAL ITEMS-\$48,070.99: Alden Jordan made motion to transfer \$48,070.99 from Entrance fee account to the Regular checking account to cover the cost of capital improvement expenses.(see attached schedule). Robert Muller seconded motion. Vote was unanimous.

ACCEPTANCE OF SEWER LINE GIFT-JUDGE: Alden Jordan made motion to accept the gift of 165' of sewer force main located on McKown Point Road, specifically, from intersection of Massachusetts Road to 77 McKown Point Road. Robert Muller seconded motion. Vote was unanimous. The line was installed to District Specifications (see file).

BY-LAW RATIFICATION: The final amendments to the by laws were reviewed. This was the third review of the by laws. Robert made motion to accept the amended by-laws as presented. Alden Jordan seconded motion. Vote was unanimous. A copy of the By-laws was forwarded to Bill Logan (District Counsel) for review prior to tonight's meeting. (See file).

*Robert Muller*

PERSONNEL POLICY AMENDMENTS: The final draft of the Personal Policy was reviewed. As per Trustees order, Chapter 6 was amended, Chapter 5, Sections 5-5 and 5-8 were amended. After review, Alden Jordan made motion to accept the amendments made to the personnel policy. Robert Muller seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous. (See file).

OLD BUSINESS: Chris reported that the preliminary cost analysis of the centrifuge was complete. Chris has asked Weston and Sampson to include pricing for the Demo unit and a new unit if equivalent size. The analysis was performed on a new unit of the next larger size. The figures should be available by January 16, 2008.

NEW BUSINESS: None


CORRESPONDANCE: The Trustee reviewed the Dig Safe violation issued by the Public Utilities Commission. The violation was reported to MPUC by Elroy Russell of the MDOT. The cause for the violation was Marc Brewer negligently marked District infrastructure and did not mark a location. At all. The monetary violation was waived because the District held a mandatory training seminar which was put on by MPUC. (See file).

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURN MEETING: Alden Jordan made motion to adjourn meeting. Robert Muller seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 7:30PM.

\_\_\_\_\_ not present \_\_\_\_\_  
Paul Jarkiewicz, Clerk

We, the undersigned, do hereby waive notice of the above meeting and do agree to the business transacted.

   
Alden Jordan, Chairman Robert Muller, Treas.

\_\_\_\_\_ not present \_\_\_\_\_  
Paul Jarkiewicz, Clerk