

WATER COMMITTEE
JANUARY 10, 2007
MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chuck Watkins, Chairman
Dr. George Patton, Vice Chairman
Tony Parrott
Chris Venice
Pete Frisina

NON-VOTING MEMBERS:

David Jaeger

ABSENT:

Bill McNally

STAFF PRESENT:

Dennis Davenport
Russell Ray

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Chuck Watkins at 8:00 A.M.

I. ELECTION OF CHAIR.

Dr. George Patton nominated Chuck Watkins as Chair of the Water Committee. Tony Parrott seconded and there was no opposition.

II. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR.

Tony Parrott nominated Dr. George Patton as Vice Chair of the Water Committee. Chris Venice seconded and there was no opposition.

III. APPROVAL OF 2007 MEETING SCHEDULE.

Tony Parrott made the motion to recommend to the Board of Commissioners to approve the 2007 meeting schedule as presented. Vice Chairman Dr. George Patton seconded and there was no opposition

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MEETING ON DECEMBER 13, 2006.

Tony Parrott made the motion and Vice Chairman Dr. George Patton seconded, to approve the minutes from the meeting on December 13, 2006. There was no opposition.

V. DISCUSSION OF HOLDING POND AT CROSSTOWN WATER PLANT.

David Jaeger reported after the last Water Committee meeting he forwarded a letter to Mr. John Crosby, the airport manager at Falcon Field. The letter included the proposal for monitoring well installation by Piedmont Geotechnical Engineers between the raw water holding lagoon at Crosstown Water Plant and across the north end of the runway at Falcon Field. Piedmont's proposal was for \$12,020.00 to do installation of six monitoring wells, plus some monitoring time. Mr. Jaeger estimated an additional \$2,000.00 in time from their office to assist. The Water Committee had requested that we approach the airport about sharing the cost of the investigation and monitoring. Depending on what that shows, whether it

is the relationship between the water level in the lagoon and the ground water that is occurring on the airport property, the County, the airport authority or a shared situation would occur as far as paying for the study. At this point, they have not determined any remedial work that will be done, or the cost associated with it. We are just talking about the cost of the installation of the monitoring wells and the actual time spent doing the monitoring.

Mr. Jaeger went on to say that he met yesterday afternoon with Mr. Crosby and the engineers that they are using for their proposed project to extend their taxi way. They basically went over again, the same issues, and explained to them that the Water Committee is just looking for some agreement between the County and the Airport as far as responsibility for the cost of the money spent doing this investigation, based on what the investigation shows. Mr. Crosby indicated that he would be meeting Thursday with the full Airport Authority Board to discuss this. He would get back to him after that meeting, after getting some direction from his Board. Beyond that, there was some general discussion about the issue.

Mr. Parrott asked if he knows how close they are going to be to the property line with the runway. Mr. Jaeger replied that it sounds like it is going almost to the end. But he has not seen a drawing, yet.

Mr. Jaeger indicated to Mr. Crosby that he would be meeting with the Water Committee this morning and again in two weeks. He requested that Mr. Crosby try to get some type of response in time for the next meeting, so he could report back to the Water Committee. Then we could take appropriate action on this request.

VI. DISCUSSION OF WATERLINE RELOCATION ON HIGHWAY 74 SOUTH.

Mr. Parrott explained that DOT is going to four lane Highway 74 South Phase II, starting at Cooper Lighting, going south. They have already started clearing the northern part. Kerry Gore with DOT wanted to know if the County would be interested in them bidding the waterline relocation work with their project and have their road contractor handle the waterline relocation. He went on to say that 8,000 feet of it, in one stretch is in a easement outside the right of way, and 100% of it has to be moved with their four lane work. It would be easier for the road contractor to be responsible for the waterline contractor. Since they will be paying for the relocation of the two 20" waterlines, he does not have a problem with it. We would still have someone inspect the job on a daily basis, and they would still have to coordinate with us on cutting water off. This would need Board approval if this is the way they want to handle it. We still haven't reached the stage of knowing how much this will cost the Water System because there is a portion of the waterline from Millpond Manor south to the entrance going into Starr's Mill that we would be responsible for one line. This one line is not in an easement. It will still be a certain amount of cost involved to the County.

Mr. Parrott went on to say there is a large power line that runs through there, we have the waterlines, and part of the way down Peachtree City Water and Sewerage Authority has an easement outside our easement that has a sewer line in it. It is going to be an interesting job with the relocations. Mr. Parrott stated that he believes the County picks up the biggest benefit by letting the DOT do this. That way, if there are over runs, and weather delays, they are picking up the cost. We are not.

Mr. Parrott commented that during several bridge projects, we have had the waterline done with the DOT contractor. They always worked smoothly.

Tony Parrott made the motion to recommend to the Board of Commissioners to allow the Department of Transportation to add the waterline relocation to their project and let the road contractor handle the waterline relocation. Vice Chairman Dr. Patton seconded and there was no opposition.

There being no further business, Chairman Chuck Watkins adjourned the meeting at 8:10 A.M.

Chuck Watkins

The foregoing minutes were approved at the regular Water Committee meeting on the 24th day of January, 2007.

Lisa Quick