

BRUNSWICK REGIONAL WATER & SEWER H2GO
SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY MAY 15, 2024

OFFICIAL MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Ronnie Jenkins called the meeting, located at the Brunswick Regional Water and Sewer, H2GO Reverse Osmosis Water Treatment Plant, Training Room, to order at 4 p.m.; a quorum was present. The assembly was led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Present from the Board of Commissioners were members Ronnie Jenkins, Chairman, Barry Laub, Vice Chairman, Rodney McCoy, Secretary, Bill Beer, and Steve Hosmer, present from H2GO was Bob Walker, Executive Director, Russ Lane, Assistant Executive Director, Operations, Scott Hook, Assistant Executive Director, Administration, Ken Brown, Finance Officers, Jennifer Phillips, Deputy Finance Officer, Adrianna Weber, Engineering Director, Sara Myer, Human Resource Director, Lloyd Brown, IT Director, and Deana Greiner, Clerk to the Board. Mr. Steve Coble with Coble Law Firm arrived late.

H2GO ADMINISTRATION AND FIELD OPERATIONS COMPLEX:

Mr. Walker presented to the board a spreadsheet with the cost analysis regarding the H2GO Administration and Field Operations Complex. Mr. Walker explained that the project could be designed and bid out to allow for options; he explained that this project would be broken out to a base bid and added options such as the fleet maintenance building; car wash station, etc. Mr. Walker explained that by doing the project this way it would give us more options in figuring out what is needed now and what could wait. Mr. Walker explained that he wanted to suggest that we self-perform site work where we can; he said the engineering department was capable in these areas and that it would save us a little money and time. Mr. Walker explained that the design plans; regardless of if we chose to build out or phase the project out; that the plans would be good so long as the building codes remained; he explained that if we phased out items that we would not have to re-design those items later. The Village Road office was mentioned; it was said that we would utilize the office in planning whichever route we went on. It was said that for example if we did not build the fleet maintenance building, the Village Road office could be utilized for that purpose.

Chairman Jenkins asked the question of why the complex was needed. Ms. Weber stated that it was needed for efficiency, togetherness, and stability. Ms. Weber explained that certain functions would work more efficiently if the departments were under one roof; it would allow for better workflow and communication.

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS, PURSUANT TO NCGS 143-318.11 (A)(5)

Commissioner Beer made the motion for the board to enter Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations, pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a)(5); a vote was called, and the motion was carried unanimously.

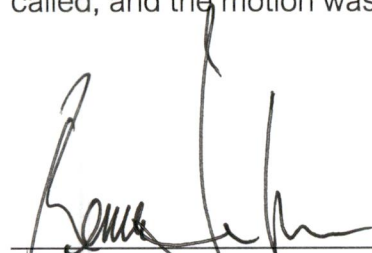
Commissioner McCoy made the motion for the board to re-enter open session; a vote was called, and the motion was carried unanimously.

It was said that there was nothing to report in open session.

Commissioner Hosmer presented to the board a handout he created; he explained how the cost of construction is expected to increase over the next 20 years.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Hosmer made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:54 p.m.; a vote was called, and the motion was carried unanimously.



Ronnie Jenkins, Chairman



Rodney McCoy, Secretary



Deana Greiner, CMC
Clerk to the Board

6/26/24

Date of Approval