

Tampa Bay Water
May 16, 2011 Minutes

The Board of Directors of Tampa Bay Water met in their offices, 2575 Enterprise Road, Clearwater, Florida 33763.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Present: Chairman – Commissioner Ann Hildebrand, Pasco County
Vice Chairman – Commissioner Susan Latvala, Pinellas County
Commissioner Neil Brickfield, Pinellas County
Mayor Robert Consalvo, City of New Port Richey
Councilman Charlie Miranda, City of Tampa
Commissioner Sandra Murman, Hillsborough County
Council Member Karl Nurse, City of St. Petersburg
Commissioner Ted Schrader, Pasco County
Commissioner Mark Sharpe, Hillsborough County

Absent:

Staff: Gerald J. Seeber, General Manager
Rick Lotspeich, General Counsel

A list of others present who signed the attendance roster was filed in the permanent files of Tampa Bay Water.

Chairman Hildebrand called the Special Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and welcomed Mayor Consalvo from the City of New Port Richey to the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment was duly recorded and is filed in the permanent files of Tampa Bay Water.

A1. South-Central Hillsborough Wellfield Pumps Replacement Project - WellMasters, Inc. v. Tampa Bay Water - Bid Protest, Settlement Agreement

Mr. Lotspeich stated agenda items A1 and A2 relate to the South-Central Hillsborough Wellfield Pumps Replacement Project. He briefly explained the circumstances surrounding a bid protest filed by WellMasters, Inc. in February, 2011 in response to Tampa Bay Water's notice to award the contract to Diversified Drilling Corporation.

Mr. Lotspeich stated that a settlement agreement has subsequently been reached between WellMasters, Inc., Tampa Bay Water and Diversified Drilling Corporation. This agreement will allow WellMasters, Inc., an opportunity to demonstrate the reliability of their pumps at the Cross Bar Ranch Wellfield.

Mr. Lotspeich stated staff recommends approval of this agreement. In response to a question from Councilman Nurse, Mr. Lotspeich stated the pumps will be tested for a six (6) month period.

Motion: Commissioner Latvala moved approval. Commissioner Sharpe seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously (9-0).

A2. South-Central Hillsborough Wellfield Pumps Replacement Project - Award Contract No. 2011-031 to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder, Diversified Drilling Corporation

Mr. Lotspeich advised that this agenda item recommends approval of awarding the South-Central Hillsborough Wellfield Pumps Replacement Project Contract to Diversified Drilling Corporation.

Motion: Commissioner Schrader moved approval. Commissioner Latvala seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously (9-0).

B1. Regional Reservoir Renovation Project – Presentations by Three Shortlisted Design-Build Teams for the C.W. Bill Young Regional Reservoir Renovation

Mr. Jon Kennedy, Senior Manager, Engineering & Projects, reminded the Board that only a long-term fix to address the cause of cracking at the reservoir will assure that:

- The reservoir can be filled and drained when needed without operational interruptions,
- That FDEP will not limit our fills and withdrawals, and
- That the new 200-million-dollar expanded surface water treatment plant and associated pumping station can be used effectively.

Mr. Kennedy stated that the procurement process has produced proposals from 3 qualified teams. These teams will present to the Board today providing an overview of their team structure and qualifications, their base proposal to renovate the facility and alternate proposal for additional storage. He stated the teams would be presenting in alphabetical order: Granite, Kiewit Infrastructure Group, and The Skanska Team.

Mr. Kennedy stated that following the Board presentations the proposers will be meeting with the Selection Committee. The proposals will then be evaluated and scored on technical criteria as well as lifecycle cost. He reminded the Board that the Reservoir Renovation procurement process is a “best value” approach to secure the best long-term fix at the right price.

Representatives from the three teams presented information to the Board concerning the team’s composition, their local and national presence, financial strengths, proposed technical solutions, and increased capacity options. They responded to Board questions concerning such things as:

- The use of soil cement
- The use of articulated concrete block
- The possibility to add the extra capacity in the future
- The technical expertise of the on-site work force
- On-time completion of the project
- On-time completion with the addition of extra capacity
- The need for a permanent fix

Upon completion of the three presentations, Mr. Kennedy outlined the following next steps:

- June 18, 2011 Board approval to negotiate with Best Value Design-Build Proposer
- August 15, 2011 Board approve negotiated agreement
- September 1, 2011 Notice to proceed for design & permitting
- September 1, 2012 Notice to proceed for construction

C1. A Special Attorney/Client briefing session between the Tampa Bay Water Board of Directors and legal counsel pursuant to Section 286.011(8), Florida Statutes, to discuss settlement negotiations and strategy related to litigation expenditures in Tampa Bay Water v. HDR Engineering, Inc., et al. Case No: 8:08CV2446T27 TBM, United States Middle District Court of Florida, Tampa Division

At 10:35 a.m. the Board adjourned the meeting for the private Attorney/Client briefing.

The Board reconvened at 11:10 a.m.

Adjournment:

The Board adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Attest: Gerald J. Seeber
Gerald J. Seeber, Secretary

Date: June 20, 2011