

Rogers Waterworks and Sewer Commission

January 18, 1999

The Rogers Waterworks and Sewer Commission held its regularly scheduled meeting at 4:00 PM, Monday, January 18, 1999, at the Rogers Water Utilities Training Center. Commissioners Beck Scott, Dick McLelland, Jerry Pittman, Lon Pepple, and Donnie Moore were present. Others in attendance were Rogers Water Utilities staff Tom McAlister, Joyce Johnson, Don Roberts, Mark Johnson, Earl Rausch, and Mike Lawrence, Tom Sissom of the Morning news, Tonya McKievor and Jeana Walker of the Daily Record, and Joe Tarvin and Pat King with McClelland Engineering. Chairman Moore called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM.

There was a motion by Pittman, second by Pepple, to approve the minutes from the November 1998 meeting (the December meeting was cancelled). All in favor, motion carried.

Moore recognized Mark Johnson, Utilities Engineer. Johnson said that most of the projects started last year were complete except the widening of Dixieland Road, where a lot of utilities had to be relocated. Johnson presented the Commission with bid tabulation for a 6600-ft sewer extension, known as the Old Wire Road Sewer project. Johnson said that the project was designed and bid in-house because the Commission had agreed to cooperate with Walter Schrader, developer of Hardwood Heights II, to provide an off-site sewer for the development. Schrader had paid the Commission \$40,000 to offset the cost of the sewer. The low bid was from DECCO Contractors, for \$136,425.20. There was a motion by McLelland, second by Pittman, to approve the low bid. All in favor, motion carried.

Moore recognized Joyce Johnson, Controller for the Utilities. Johnson presented financial statements for November and December of 1998. She pointed out that the water department had acquired a \$3.6 million debt for the bond issue dated December 15, 1998. As a part of the same bond issue, the sewer department had issued \$6.4 million in bonds. The monies were set aside to pay for water and sewer improvements as set forth in the staff's capital improvement plan, approved by the Commission last summer. There were no exceptions taken to the statements.

There was a motion by Pittman, second by Pepple, to go to executive session to consider the Utilities Manager's salary. All in favor, motion carried. All left the meeting except for the Commission and McAlister. The Commission readjourned to the regular meeting a short time later, and announced that no action was taken regarding the Manager's salary.

The meeting Adjourned at 4:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom S. McAlister, Acting Secretary
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