



MINUTES

The Key Largo Wastewater Treatment District Board of Commissioners met for their regular scheduled meeting at 4:00 PM. Present were Chairman David Asdourian, Commissioners Norman Higgins, Stephen Gibbs, Andrew Tobin and Robert Majeska. Also present were General Manager Paul Christian, Chief Information Officer Rob Bulkiewicz, General Counsel Ray Giglio, Finance Manager Connie Fazio, Ed Castle with Weiler Engineering, District Clerk Mariela Montedeoca, and other appropriate District Staff.

Commissioner Stephen Gibbs led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Commissioner Tobin made a motion to approve the agenda and Commissioner Higgins seconded the motion. The motion passed without objection.

PUBLIC SPEAKER

<i>Name & Address</i>	<i>Subject</i>
Richard Barreto Key Largo, FL	Wastewater funding disparity
Dottie Moses Key Largo, FL	Wastewater funding disparity
Deb Gillis Islamorada, FL	Islamorada Salinity
Burke Cannon Key Largo, FL	Wastewater funding disparity and Islamorada Salinity

- Commissioner Majeska added an item to discuss the status of the Wastewater Disparity Report from Bishop Rosasco and status of the ILA with Monroe County.

BULK ITEM

Minutes of January 20, 2015.

Motion: Commissioner Gibbs made a motion to approve the minutes of January 20, 2015. Commissioner Majeska seconded the motion. The motion passed without objection.

GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT

Review of Settlement Charges for the purchased of 103355 Overseas Highway

Mr. Paul Christian presented the statement of settlement charges for the purchase of 103355 Overseas Highway and answered questions from the Board. Mr. Christian requested that the Board move to allow a wire authorization of \$642,813.28 for the closing.

Motion: Commissioner Gibbs made a motion to approve a wire in the amount of \$642,813.28 for the purpose of closing on 103355 Overseas Highway. Commissioner Tobin seconded the motion. The motion passed without objection.

Status Update 103355 Overseas Highway

Mr. Paul Christian presented options for the hiring of an architectural firm to design and prepare the plans and specifications for renovating the new administration building at 103355 Overseas Highway. He presented proposals from Dave Boerner, Architect, P.A. and Harum Architects.

The commissioners discussed the benefits of hiring an architect versus having a contractor design and build.

Motion: Commissioner Higgins made a motion to authorize the General Manager to enter into a contract with Dave Boerner, Architect; P.A. Commissioner Gibbs seconded the motion.

Vote on Motion

Member	Yes	No	Other
Commissioner Higgins	X		
Commissioner Gibbs	X		
Commissioner Tobin	X		
Commissioner Majeska	X		
Chairman Asdourian	X		

Motion passed 5 to 0

Monroe Park Town Hall Meeting

General Manager Paul Christian gave an update on the Town Hall Meeting with Monroe Park / Manatee Bay residents. Mr. Christian gave a brief summary of the topics covered and the questions asked. He then answered questions from the Board regarding the economic impact of this project.

Mr. Christian also informed the Board that the project was contingent on the acquisition of an easement for the old plant, which property is currently in foreclosure.

LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

Resolution to waive salinity charges

Commissioner Tobin gave a brief introduction to a proposed resolution to waive salinity charges for Islamorada for a limited period of time. Mr. Tobin asked Mr. Gene Hoffman, Construction Manager with Wade Trim, who was in the audience to answer questions on what Islamorada has done to mitigate salinity and to comment on how long it will take for the salinity issues to be fixed.

Commissioner Majeska expressed concerns regarding changing the Interlocal agreement and suggested that the District accept Islamorada’s interpretation of the calculation methodology in the existing ILA. He also indicated that he would like staff to work with Islamorada regarding the timing of the payments.

The Board discussed the proposed resolution and other possible alternatives.

Commissioner Tobin reiterated his belief that Islamorada should not be subject to salinity charges during the “start-up” phase.

Motion: Commissioner Majeska made a motion to accept Islamorada’s interpretation of the daily salinity rate and to charge Islamorada the daily surcharge for the salinity effective September 2014. Commissioner Gibbs seconded the motion.

Vote on Motion

Member	Yes	No	Other
Commissioner Majeska	X		
Commissioner Gibbs	X		
Commissioner Higgins	X		
Commissioner Tobin		X	
Chairman Asdourian	X		

Motion passed 4 to 1

Florida Keys Environmental Stewardship Bill

Mr. Paul Christian presented the final resolution supporting the Florida Keys Environmental Stewardship Act.

Motion: Commissioner Tobin made a motion to approve the Resolution endorsing the Florida Keys Environmental Stewardship Act. Commissioner Higgins seconded the motion. The motion passed without objection.

Small Commercial Unique Project Resolution

Legal Counsel, Ray Giglio presented his second draft on the Small Commercial Unique Project Resolution and answered questions from the Board and staff. General Manager Paul Christian advised the Board that the final resolution would be brought back for action at the next BOC meeting.

COMMISSIONERS'S ITEM/ ROUNDTABLE

Paid Apprenticeship

Commissioner Tobin recommended that the District sponsor a paid apprenticeship for a deserving graduate of Coral Shores High School.

Commissioner Tobin directed the District's legal counsel to draft a resolution for the commissioners to sign, which would establish this Apprenticeship program.

Wastewater Funding Disparity

Commissioner Majeska requested an update on the status of Bishop Rosasco's report on Wastewater funding disparity. Mr. Paul Christian stated that a draft of the report was sent to the County for verification of County figures. Commissioner Majeska asked the General Manager to give the Board an update of the ILA with Monroe County. Mr. Christian briefed the Board on his last meeting with County staff in Key West.

ADJOURNMENT

The KLWTD Board adjourned the Board Meeting at 6:34PM.

The KLWTD meeting minutes of February 3, 2015 were approved on February 10, 2015.



David Asdourian, Chairman



Mariela Montedeoca, Clerk