

**BRUSHY CREEK REGIONAL UTILITY AUTHORITY, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2009 AT 7:00 p.m.
ROUND ROCK COUNCIL CHAMBER
221 EAST MAIN STREET
ROUND ROCK, TEXAS 78664**

DIRECTORS

Mitch Fuller, President
George White, Vice-President
John D. Cowman, Secretary/Treasurer

DRAFT MINUTES

1. CALL BOARD MEETING TO ORDER – 7:00 p.m.

President Fuller called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: President Mitch Fuller
 Vice-President George White
 Secretary John Cowman

Absent: None

3. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

No one spoke during citizen communication.

4. DIRECTOR OPENING COMMENTS

President Fuller welcomed everyone to the meeting and then asked Chris Lippe to introduce Mike Thuss, newly hired project manager.

Vice-President White – No comments

Secretary Cowman – No comments

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5A. Consider approval of the BCRUA meeting minutes for July 8, 2009.

MOTION: Secretary Cowman moved to approve the minutes. Vice-President White seconded the motion.

ACTION: Ayes: President Fuller
 Vice-President White
 Secretary Cowman

Nays: None

Absent: None

VOTE: Approved by unanimous vote

6. REGULAR BUSINESS

6A. Consider a discussion concerning the communication with the Village of Volente.

President Fuller reinforced that this item will appear on every agenda and he would like the Village of Volente to know that the BCRUA would like to ensure the continue communication with the Village.

6B. Consider a discussion concerning a BCRUA Board workshop.

President Fuller started the discussion and stated that it is time for the BCRUA to define its strategic goals. He said that it is important for the board to meet with the team and talk about the future of the BCRUA. He asked the other board members to put some thought into the idea and work on schedules and the team will come up with an agenda for a workshop.

Vice-President White added that he would like to see the board expand.

Secretary Cowman agreed with Vice President White and added that he would like to see more operational members to the board.

7. RESOLUTIONS

7A. Consider a resolution authorizing the President to execute a Construction Contract with S.J. Louis Construction of Texas Ltd. for the Raw Water Pipeline Phase One.

Chris Lippe introduced Drew Hardin with Jacobs Engineering, who made the presentation for this item. He covered some background on the project and the bids that were received. He noted that the bids came in well under budget – original estimate was \$32M and the low bidder was a little over \$19M. He added that expected completion is July 2011.

MOTION: Secretary Cowman moved to approve the resolution. Vice-President White seconded the motion.

ACTION: Ayes: President Fuller
Vice-President White
Secretary Cowman

Nays: None
Absent: None

VOTE: Approved by unanimous vote

7B. Consider a resolution authorizing payment to Pedernales Electric Cooperative for the relocation of electric poles along Trails End Road.

Chris Lippe made the presentation on this item. He stated that PEC is the entity responsible for moving the poles.

Secretary Cowman made the clarification that this item does not need to come back to the board if it remains under the \$55,000.

MOTION: Secretary Cowman moved to approve the resolution. Vice-President White seconded the motion.

ACTION: Ayes: President Fuller
Vice-President White
Secretary Cowman

Nays: None
Absent: None

VOTE: Approved by unanimous vote

7C. Consider a resolution authorizing the President to execute an agreement with Group Solutions RJW for professional consulting services.

Will Hampton, Communication Director for the City of Round Rock made the presentation. He stated that even though the project has moved from planning to construction phase, there will still be a need for public relations. He also added that this item is a month to month contract not to exceed \$41,000.

President Fuller added that he thinks the city teams have done great at communicating. He also added that it's the board's responsibility to represent the BCRUA and their respective cities in front of governmental bodies and asked that Group Solution RJW not sign up to be witnesses in front of any committee with the State Legislature. He does not want to hide behind a PR firm but stated that Group Solution has done a great job for the BCRUA.

Secretary Cowman added that he would like to make sure that all avenues are covered and he was comfortable with someone else that could better express the needed information.

President Fuller respectfully agreed but said that he does not want to see a consultant that is paid by the BCRUA speaking in front of the legislature on behalf of the BCRUA.

Vice President White agreed with both and added that he sees Group Solutions' role to provide guidance to the board.

Resolutions 7C continued:

MOTION: Secretary Cowman moved to approve the resolution. Vice-President White seconded the motion.

ACTION: Ayes: President Fuller
Vice-President White
Secretary Cowman

Nays: None
Absent: None

VOTE: Approved by unanimous vote

7D. Consider a resolution authorizing the President to execute an interlocal agreement for Joint and Cooperative Purchasing between the BCRUA and the cities of Round Rock, Cedar Park, Hutto, Leander, Georgetown, and Taylor.

Chris Lippe made the presentation and stated that this item just allows them to take advantage of lower prices.

MOTION: Secretary Cowman moved to approve the resolution. Vice-President White seconded the motion.

ACTION: Ayes: President Fuller
Vice-President White
Secretary Cowman

Nays: None
Absent: None

VOTE: Approved by unanimous vote

8. DIRECTOR CLOSING COMMENTS

Secretary Cowman – No comments

Vice-President White reiterated the welcome to Michael Thuss.

President Fuller welcomed Vice-President White back and that he was happy to see the project moving forward to the next phase.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Monique Adams