

MINUTES

Key Largo Wastewater Treatment District (KLWTD) Board of Commissioners Special Call Meeting



February 11, 2009
98880 OVERSEAS HWY, KEY LARGO, FL 33037

The Key Largo Wastewater Treatment District Board of Commissioners met for a special call meeting at 4:00 PM. Present were Commissioners Robbie Majeska, Norman Higgins, Andrew Tobin, Charles Brooks, and Chairwoman Susie Hammaker. Also present the General Manager Charles F. Fishburn, District Counsel Thomas Dillon, District Clerk Carol Walker, and other appropriate District Staff.

Commissioner Brooks led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Commissioner Brooks made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Higgins seconded the motion.

Vote on Motion

Member	Yes	No	Other
Chairwoman Hammaker	X		
Commissioner Higgins	X		
Commissioner Tobin	X		
Commissioner Brooks	X		
Commissioner Majeska	X		

Motion passed 5 to 0

PUBLIC COMMENT (Items G2 and G3)

Wastewater Service to Gated Communities, Isolated Properties, etc.

John Hammerstrom of Key Largo asked the Board to consider each development individually due to their diversity when they decide whether or not to go on to private roads to put in collection systems. He also requested a list of private roads on the Island of Key Largo.

Jim Cutchner of Key Largo asked the Board if they could look at assisting developments like the Coastal Waterway Condominium because they are looking at a charge of between \$2,000 and \$4,000 for each unit to connect to the sewer plus the assessment.

Nicholas Mulick, Tavernier asked the Board to consider Seven Acres as any other subdivision and to make no exception because they have private roads and a gate.

Chairwoman Hammaker explained that Items G2 (Jew Fish Creek to County Line Wastewater Service) and G3 (Wastewater Service to Gated Communities, Isolated Properties, etc) will be discussed at separate workshops in the future.

PUBLIC COMMENT (G1)

H.A. Wells, Key Largo (CR905) told the Board that they have addressed his concerns and he is glad to that the Board is flexible and responsive.

Darrell Swinney, Key Largo (CR905) stated that he has put hundreds of the E-1 systems in and they are very reliable.

Tom Gray, Peter Lack, Nancy Dievsing, of Key Largo (CR 905) stated that they were glad that the District is doing something to connect them to the sewer and they would like to see the assessment equal to the rest of the Island.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

CR 905 Wastewater Service

Charles Fishburn stated that staff has completed reviews of providing 2010.5 compliant wastewater services to the eighty one residents on CR 905. The options are:

1. To let the residents provide their own onsite systems at their own expense
2. KLWTD to provide the onsite systems and maintain them
3. Or provide central wastewater collection to most (90%) of the residents

Engineer estimates for the choices range from \$1.7 million to \$4.5 million.

Ed Castle, Weiler Engineering, reviewed his report on the options that the District has for CR 905. Mr. Castle also introduced a fourth option of running the pipe out to the property lines and have the residence do a lateral connection. Mr. Castle told the Board that the On-Site DOH Systems, the STEP System, and the E-1 System all meet the 2010 compliance standards.

The option of having each property owner give the District a ten foot by ten foot easement on the property line by the street was discussed. Mr. Castle reviewed all of the pro's and con's of each system.

Pat Mitchell, Operations Manager, reviewed the cost of each system with the Board.

Commissioner Higgins explained that he wanted the assessment for the residents on CR 905 to remain the same as the rest of the Island no matter what the cost of the system.

The rest of the Commissioners agreed that they would like to keep everything equal but they want to see the cost of what every system is decided upon before they make a decision.

Chairwoman Hammaker said that the Board would like a system that has quality, serviceability, and will be fair and equitable.

Motion: Commissioner Brooks made a motion to leave the on-site systems that meet the 2010 Standards on the following properties for now; Madeira V, Sea Critters, 11175 Overseas Hwy, Elbow Light Club, and Waste Management. Commissioner Tobin seconded the motion.

Vote on Motion

Member	Yes	No	Other
Chairwoman Hammaker	X		
Commissioner Higgins	X		
Commissioner Tobin	X		
Commissioner Brooks	X		
Commissioner Majeska	X		

Motion passed 5 to 0

Motion: Commissioner Brooks made a motion to direct Staff (Charles Fishburn, Ed Castle, Pat Mitchell) to begin planning the connection of residences on CR 905 to the KLWTD Sewer System and to bring back to the Board the cost estimates and schematics of sewerage CR 905 with the options of putting the system on the right of way and/or on private property with an easement. Staff is to make no commitments or take any action. Commissioner Tobin seconded the motion.

Vote on Motion

Member	Yes	No	Other
Chairwoman Hammaker	X		
Commissioner Higgins	X		
Commissioner Tobin	X		
Commissioner Brooks	X		
Commissioner Majeska	X		

Motion passed 5 to 0

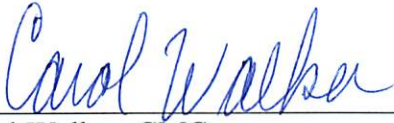
ADJOURNMENT

The KLWTD Board adjourned the Board Meeting at 6:15 PM.

The KLWTD meeting minutes of February 11, 2009 were approved on March 3, 2009.



Chairwoman Hammaker



Carol Walker, CMC
District Clerk