# CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA UTILITY SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES MUNICIPAL COMPLEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2016 AT 5:00 P.M.

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[Before meeting chatter]

[Gavel]

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** At this time, we're getting ready to call this Utility Special District meeting to order.

# **ROLL CALL**

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Madam Clerk, roll call, please.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Chairperson Terence Davis?

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Here.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Chair Pro Tem KaShamba Miller-

Anderson?

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Present.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Board Member Lynne Hubbard?

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:**Board Member Tonya Davis Johnson?

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:**Board Member Dawn Pardo?

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Present.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Ex officio Mayor Thomas Masters?

[Pause]. City Manager Ruth Jones?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Present.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** District Deputy Clerk Jacqueline

Burgess is present. District Attorney Andrew Degraffenreidt?

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT:** Present.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** You have a quorum.

#### **INVOACTION**

# **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Now, we'll have a moment of silence and, as we stand for the Pledge will be led by City Manager Ms. Jones.

[Moment of silence]

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Shall we pledge?

**ALL:** I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

## **AGENDA Approval**

### Additions, Deletions, Substitutions

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Do we have any additions or deletions by Staff?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** No, Mr. Chair.

#### **Disclosures by Board of Directors**

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay. Any, any disclosures by any Members of the Board?

[Pause].

#### **Adoption of Agenda**

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** May I entertain a motion to adopt and approve the Agenda?

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** So move.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Second.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Properly moved and second. Madam Clerk.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Board Member Hubbard?

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Board Member Davis Johnson?

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:**Board Member Pardo?

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Chair Davis?

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Unanimous vote.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Now we're gonna move down to comment from the public of the Consent.

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THIS ITEM ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE AND ACTION WILL BE TAKEN BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A BOARD MEMBER SO REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** [Inaudible].

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay. Let me go ahead and do the comments then I'll read that off.

#### Comments From the Public on Consent Agenda (Three Minute Limitation Total)

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay. So, we've got Ms. Larson for Items 1, 2 and 3.

MR. B. LARSON: [Inaudible].

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Yes.

MR. B. LARSON: [Inaudible].

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** You have the only public comment card so I'm just gonna do

1, 2 and 3.

MR. B. LARSON: Do I have three minutes to do all three?

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: No. No, no.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes.

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: We'll do...

[Chuckle]

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Do it that way?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Well, you don't get three... On Consent, you don't get three minutes for each one of them.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** You get a total of three to talk about everything that's on Consent.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Thank you. Hi, Ms. Larson. Then we'll go on to [inaudible].

**MR. B. LARSON:** Bonnie Larson. First of all, I'd like to see where it says we get three minutes for all of the Items. That's kind of ridiculous.

We have, um, tonight, a contract for Mr. Beaudet. He is..., he was the former Director for Palm Beach County for the Water Utility Department. So he was, like, really up there. We hired him, we pay now \$25,00 for the last three months, working 18 hours a week. We spent \$25,000. The request tonight is for an additional \$25,000. Um, my question is, what did we expect from Mr. Beaudet in this period of time? We do have a..., we don't have a, um, Water Utility Department manager anymore but we do have an assistant manager over there and I know that also Mr. Troy Perry was transferred for a while from Ms. Jones' office, over the Water Utility so I'm wondering how are we \$25,000 better off today than we were in May?

I can tell you, I've done my little survey and everybody I run into from Riviera Beach, I say, 'Do you drink the water?' 'Absolutely not.' And I can tell you that we have pets. Pets are very sensitive. They are outside in the heat, they will not drink Riviera Beach water. The other night I had a drink, I put some ice cu'.., made a mistake, I put some ice cubes in from Riviera Beach water and I had to throw the drink away. Our water is

horrendous. So, how are we better off tonight for \$25,000? But, it depends. What did you ask him to do? But now we're up for another \$25,000.

Also, there's an Item on here to pay someone, U.S. Water Services I believe it's called. Um, let's see, how much was that? That was a lot. [Pause]. Uh, anyway. It, it..., with the allowable... Oh, here it is. Almost s'..., oh, no. \$78,500, rounded off. It can go up 10%, another \$7,800. Anyway, if you do the two 10% increases, it comes out to \$94,972. This is for a report. What good is a report going to do for us? We need good drinking water. Why don't we have good drinking water? We can't just keep spending money and..., for consultants and reports and whatever. We have the highest person in Palm Beach County. If he can't write a letter to Palm Beach Co'..., who's asking for a report anyway? If he can't write a letter to the Health department and say, 'Hey, we're good now,' then, I don't know what we're gonna do. But how much money do we have in this account? We keep throwing out money. This is almost \$100,000 if those people do a report, a couple pieces of paper and another \$25,000 for this gentleman for the next three months. So, my question is, we're spending, spending, spending and all we're getting is paperwork. And our water is awful.

Thank you.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Thank you, Ms. Larson. That's the end of those comments. Thank you. Now, we're gonna go back to reading this off.

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THIS ITEM ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE AND ACTION WILL BE TAKEN BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A BOARD MEMBER SO REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE GENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CONSIDERED IN ITS NORMAL SEQUENCE ON THE AGENDA.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Anyone would like to pull any Items from Consent before we ask for a motion?

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** 1 and 3.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** 1 and 3? Anyone else?

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** And I will like to pull No. 2.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** 1, 2 and 3. So, that's all the Consent.

**UNK:** [Inaudible].

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** \_\_\_. Okay. Can I have a motion to approve the Consent with Items 1, 2 and 3 being pulled?

BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD: So moved.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Second.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Properly moved and second. Madam Clerk.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Board Member Hubbard?

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:**Board Member Davis Johnson?

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Board Member Pardo?

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Board Member... Pro Tem Miller-

Anderson?

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Chair Davis?

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Unanimous vote.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Item No. 1. Commissioner Hubbard?

BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD: On Item No. 1...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Oh, I'm sorry. I'm sorry.

DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS: 1. RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_\_ A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH UTILITY SPECIAL DISTRICT, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING AMENDEAN MEALYENT NUMBER ONE TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UTILITY SPECIAL DISTRICT AND BEVIN A. BEAUDET, P.E., LLC TO PROVIDE CONTINUING CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE SAFE, EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT OPERATION OF THE UTILITY SPECIAL DISTRICT'S WATER TREATMENT AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM; AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT CHAIRPERSON AND DISTRICT CLERK TO EXECUTE AMENDEAN MEALYENT NUMBER ONE TO THE AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR

TO MAKE PAYMENT OF THE NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$25,000 FROM ACCOUNT NO. 411-1417-536-0-3106; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Do we have a motion?

BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON: So move.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Second.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Alright. Ms. Hubbard.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** At the Utility District we now have Mr. Beaudet and Mr. Perry and we are out for a RFP or RFQ for an engineering firm as, as well, at this time. I'm trying to see how we.., why do we.., why will we still be in need of Mr. Beaudet if we're getting this engineering firm?

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: Ms. Jones.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Ms. Hubbard, the activities of Mr. Beaudet was to follow up and make sure and double check that we are.., and make sure that our projects come online to be in compliance with the Consent Orders. And to.., as the engineer with the experience that he had in the absence of an executive director...

BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD: Mhmm.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** To be able to direct us as we begin to do our projects to satisfy the Consent Order. The difference in what Mr. Beaudet does and what this Board agreed they wanted, and that was, they wanted an outside group to come in and do a total assessment of the entire operations, the facilities, everything and how it's being done. So that's the difference in the two. Mr. Beaudet is just making sure that we do our projects to comply with the Consent Orders. The study that this Board asked for is a more comprehensive look at where we are, what do we need to do, what are the facilities looking like and how we need to continue to move forward. So that's the distinction between the two.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Okay. So, the ot'.., the other Item that we have with U'.., with, um, is it U.S. Water?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes. On the regular Agenda, yes.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Oh, yes. And, the different in what they will be doing as opposed to what the RFP is asking for, what is that difference?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** No. They're doing what the RFP asked for. We went out for an RFP, then this company was one of those that responded to do the consent.., to do the study. And so they're actually responding to the RFP.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Okay. We have an RFP that's, that closes, like, what..., on August 4<sup>th</sup>?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** For?

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Engineering services.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Engineering services is not really the study.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Okay.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** They're, they're, they're distinctly different. Engineering services is the engineering services that you need as the construction projects are going forward. So, you've got... What we need to be doing now, in order to comply with the Consent Orders, that's what Mr. Beaudet is doing. This Board said, 'We want a total comprehensive look. We want someone to tell us what the condition of the plant is, what we need to be doing and that RFP was the one that U.S. Water was successful under.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** And the.., last month, we had [sight]. The company Sole, uh, Close. Close, was the name of the company?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** They're one of your contractors to doing, that's doing construction.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Okay.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Close Construction.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** The gentleman that came to the mic and said, he said, uh, 'I do know construction. I just draw the designs and the plan.' Now, which company was he from?

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** That's C Solutions.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** C Solutions.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** That wa'.., mighta been C So'.., that was C Solutions. Yes.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Okay. So, I'm just really trying to get clear on all of.., on all of the services because some of 'em seem, seem to be.., C Solution is doing, doing the design. Uh, U.S.D. Water [pause].

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** I don't believe they're designing anything for us.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Not now. But, I meant, he said that was the service that he provided for the... one of the projects and then...

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** One of the projects.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** And he said that he is, right now, for..., remember we approved the \$48,000 and he said he is, um, I guess, retainer would be a similar word. He's our engineer on retainer for \$48,000 on top of the services he was providing for a special project. But...

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** That's like your project manager. He's you're oversight onsite in the project for Lift Station 10 and 50.

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: That's...

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** [Inaudible]

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** Ms. Hubbard, can I try to help out?

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Sure, sure.

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: I believe, the company, C.., C Solutions, correct? I think the RFP that you were saying that was on the street was a RFP to try to get an additional company that [stammer], that will provide engineering services at the Utility District but I think he had to pull that RFP but it's going back on the street. So that's an additional company. So one company won't have all the work, they will divide the work up. Mr. Beaudet is, uh, is the gentleman, the gentleman that we hired once we had that water issue to come in and help us try to put some things in order and also to try to comply with those different consent orders.

The, the Item that you have on the Agenda tonight, that's part of the Consent Order by the Palm Beach County Health Department.

BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD: Mhmm.

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** We had to go out and get a firm to do, uh, a complete overview look at the entire Utility District and, and give a report and that's what's on the Agenda tonight, I believe, as Item No. 3 that you're referring to. Is it, is it No...

**CITY MANAGER JONES: 5.** 

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** 5. No. 5. I'm sorry. But that's tho'.., that's difference between the three of them.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Okay. Thank you.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Any other Members of the Board? Questions/concerns?

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes. I had a question. Now, we're doing an extension of the contract. Does this not have to go back out being that we're going over 25. I know this kinda came up before and it said that, um, we would try to not continue to just keep doing extensions and put it out for bid or whatever we needed to do so we don't look like we're staying under 25 but continue to extend it.

**DEAN MEALY:** Good evening. Dean Mealy, Purchasing Manager. In reference to your question, Councilperson, it was my recommendation we actually take the award up to \$50,000 not to exceed amount 'til whatever time the.., his, Mr. Beautdet's services are required. Because of the complexity of, with the Consent Order and the complexity of working with the Public Health Department and with the state, it was determined, at that time, that his service would be the most advantageous for the City to have to help move along consent the orders.

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

**DEAN MEALY**: This is, this is not a CC&A where there's restriction where we have to g go out and do a solicitation. Depending on what the Board had originally decided was, we needed somebody with expertise service at the time to actually do the services required. The determination was, at that time, to do the first professional service agreement for \$25,000 or up to \$24,999. The City, per the procurement Code, you can continue a professional service agreement in an amount greater than \$24,999 without doing a competitive bid as long as you determine what the services are gonna be and for what period of time.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** And how many times can we continue to extend the contract?

**DEAN MEALY**: I.., that's why I made the recommendation, for this particular one, instead of doing it for \$25,000, do it for an additional 50, up until.., up to the amount of up to 54.., \$50,000, my recommendation. My recommendation is only go back to this well one more time on this but, that'd be my recommendation, ma'am.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Thanks. Have we received any reports? I know, you know, Mr. Beaudet has occasionally given us a update during some of the meetings but are there any official reports of kinda documenting his hours and, you know, more detail specifics.

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** I, I believe we rec'.., I believe we sent Council a report a couple of months ago.

**DEAN MEALY**: [Inaudible].

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: But we can...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** A couple times? But how often, we don't...

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** I think we agreed to do it, like, quarterly but I'll go back and take a look at it and see when was, when was the last time. And if not, we'll have Mr. Beaudet...

UNK: [Inaudible].

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** Just recently. But, but I'll go back and look and see when was the last time we sent a report and if...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yeah. I think it's been a while which is why I was asking. Just trying to, you know, I wanna make sure that... I know there's a lot to be done over there.

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: _	
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**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** And there's a, a safety issue that we're dealing with. But I, I don't wanna, you know, waste money at the same time because we do have several people coming in. What about..., Mr. Rhoads is, is gone now, right? So, who's filling in his spot? Does Mr. Beaudet's role, responsibilities increase or.., cause we don't have a Utility Director or Assistant Utility Director.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** The responsibilities for Mr. Beaudet really doesn't increase. The responsibilities, because he is an engineer and we also still have another engineer on Staff...

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...Mr. Beaudet and the engineer that we have are there and they have the credentials, as it relates to being engineering...

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...it's meaning that until that process is complete, Mr. Perry is picking up more of the administrative.., keeping the day-to-day type time sheets and payrolls.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** That's what he was doing before Mr. Giles [inaudible]...

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Not as...

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...right?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** No. Well, with Mr. Giles over there, he didn't have to do as much of that.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** And so now he's, he's, um...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** So, Giles...

CITY MANAGER JONES: ...housed over there...

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...was just doing that...

**CITY MANAGER JONES: ...full time.** 

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...administrative type stuff?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** As well as assisting with the other projects. He was doing both.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** So, who's...

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** Mr. Giles was doing admi'.., Mr. Giles was doing the administrative, uh, day-to-day issues but he was also doing the engineering type of duties, managing the projects.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** So someone else now has stepped up in Mr. Rhoads' spot?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** There was always another engineer behind him.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. So we really didn't have someone who stepped up to Mr. Aurigemma's spot.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Right. And so, Mr. Rhoads kinda stayed in his role.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Who took Aurigemma's responsibilities over... I, I understood it to be Mr. Giles.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Well, he did take on some. According to his job description...

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

CITY MANAGER JONES: ...he could take on additional responsibilities.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** And then, of course, we had Mr. Beaudet that was there.

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

CITY MANAGER JONES: And Mr. Giles was also assisted by Mr. Perry.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** And so now Mr. Giles is gone, we're getting ready to advertise that position. We have advertised the executive director's position.

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** We got 13 qualified, minimally qualified applicants. They have received an instrument to answer some questions.

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** And we will then, short after receipt of those back, start the interview process.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Mr. Beaudet, are you interested in a long-term position with us?

MR. B. BEAUDET: No, ma'am. Um, I'm not. I'm retired. And, what I have been willing to do, and pleased to do for the City of Riviera Beach, is to basically be a technical advisor. That's really been my role, is..., you, you do not have, on your Staff, anyone now that is technically capable of overseeing the water treatment operation, overseeing the waste water collection and pumping and also responding to the consent orders. And so, that's what I've been doing. I've been doing the technical work. I've been, uh, helping Mr. Perry with those items, he does his administration and, uh, I am not interested in doing that.

Now, I will say, I'd like to say something, if you don't mind, about the reports. I did give you a progress report last month.

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

MR. B. BEAUDET: I did not give you one this month because I had just completed two reports, that are quite lengthy, to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, um, for their Consent Order. I did a Capacity Analysis Report and I did an Operations and Maintenance Performance Report. Those were transmitted on Friday and I'm sure that Ms. Jones would make those available if anybody would like to see that. That's on the waste water side. On the water side, I haven't done a report but I have been

overseeing the operations and the quality of the water, which is excellent. And, the water is meeting all the standards. Uh, we've been reporting on a daily basis to the Health Department. We've been putting those results on the website for any citizen that would like to look at it to see it or any Board Member. So, if you would like for your next meeting, I would be glad to do a, another progress report that covers all of the, uh, things that I believe we've accomplished and need to work on.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you. One.., Ms. Jones, one of the things I, I know on, um, on the CRA side, we do get invoices. I'm not saying that he fits the bill, but, in terms of making an invoice, but I'm just not clear on how do we breakdown the cost that it's taken to, to fulfill his role. Do we do a breakdown...

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** [Inaudible].

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...is he.., I mean, is he saying he spends two hours on, you know, writing a reports and do we get anything to show the breakdown? Because who's to say [stammer], the next three months won't go up to the \$50,000. How do we manage or, or monitor the amount that we're spending? We, we went by three months and it was 25, \$24,999 and then so the next three months, we're now trying to take it up. So how do we, how do we keep track of that?

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** Alright. I understand. On, on Mr. Beaudet's bills, he, he breaks down the number of hours he spent through that week and...

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** ....the activities that he performed.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Did I...

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: If you'd like...

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...overlook it... Did I not look at it

in here?

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: I'm not sure if it's in...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** No. It's not here.

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: ...in there.

BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** It's what?

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** It's in the contract?

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** The break'..., it can't be in the contract. Not the breakdown.

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** The invoices are [inaudible].

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** I know the hour'.., the hou...

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Your hourly breakdown.

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: I know the hourly rate is in there

but I'm talking about what you just explained.

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** Yes. When he s'..., when...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** You do...

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: ...he submits it...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...get it?** 

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: Yes, ma'am.

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Is it possible for...

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: Sure. Absolutely.

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...me and if they want it...

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** Absolutely.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...too. Okay.

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: \_\_\_, Council.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Because I don't have anything to go on to determine if it really is taking that amount of money. So, in order for me to, you know, understand...

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: I understand.

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...that it's okay, I, I would like to

see a breakdown on it.

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: Okay.

CITY MANAGER JONES: We'll do that.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Thanks.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** You done?

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yeah.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Anyone else? [Pause]. Only concerns I have, I'd like to find a way to take advantage of, while Mr. Beaudet is here with his experience, have you seen, um, as we transition for new people to come in, I'd like to take advantage of looking at some of our Staff that we have down at the lower level to potentially learn from your experience, to potentially vie for some of these positions that we're getting ready to advocate out to the community. Is that something that you.., would you consider doing, [stammer], help training the Staff that we have, um, at the lower levels through the different departments?

MR. B. BEAUDET: Yes, sir. In fact...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** At least, do an assessment...

**MR. B. BEAUDET:** ...I consider that one of my main duties although I don't necessarily put it in my invoice.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Thank you.

MR. B. BEAUDET: I have been working with Staff. I meet with them weekly. I also meet with them individually, during the week. Um, I give them assignments, I hold them accountable for those. Um, I ask them to come to me if they have questions. I, I try.., I've been trying to mentor them.

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: Mhmm.

**MR. B. BEAUDET:** Uh, to help teach them and kind of raise their level of capabilities. So, that's something that I've done all my career and, uh, I love to do it and I think that you have a, a Staff that's been very accepting of that from e.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Mhmm. So that's just the, that's the administrative Staff or are you going all the way down?

MR. B. BEAUDET: Oh no. I'm talking about the operational Staff. I'm talking...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay.

**MR. B. BEAUDET:** ...about the superintendents and, some cases, the lead operators and the, uh...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay.

**MR. B. BEAUDET:** ...assistant superintendents. I've been working with, uh, all of them during the last three months.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Yeah. I, I.., that's something I'm truly, um, excited that's what you're doing. Thank you. I, I noticed when I walk'.., when I first got elected, uh, I \_\_\_ department.., when I walked around to kinda see what was going on in that Utility District and I seen quite a few people go back to school, get the training they need and, to have someone of you experience, it'd be great to.., for some to kinda follow up under your wing to vie for position for potentially assistant director or director, now that we're advertising both of them so that they can say that they've received some extensive training.

I don't have any other questions or concerns but thank you. Anyone else? [Pause]. Madam Clerk.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Board Member Hubbard?

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:**Board Member Davis Johnson?

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Board Member Pardo?

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Chair Davis?

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Unanimous vote. Item No. 2.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** 2. RESOLUTION NO. RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH UTILITY SPECIAL DISTRICT, PALM BEACH COUNTY. **FLORIDA** THE CONTRACT WITH ALLIED UNIVERSAL CORP. OF DORAL. FLORIDA FOR THE PURCHASE OF CHLORINE GAS: PIGGY- BACKING EAST FLORIDA COOPERATIVE CONTRACT NO. 863-THE SOUTH 11695: AUTHORIZING THE UTILITY DISTRICT CHAIRPERSON AND DISTRICT CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT CLERK TO EXECUTE THIS

FINANCE DIRECTOR TO PAY AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$135,000 FROM ACCOUNT NO. 411-1437-533-0-5203; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** So moved.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Second.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Properly moved and second. Vice Chair? This your...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Who's gonna talk about it?

**DEAN MEALY**: Good evening. Dean Mealy, Purchasing. Allied Universal is the only true supplier of chlorine gas for Utilities..., entire state. I mean, it, basically, uh, almost sole source, if you wanna call it that. The \$135,000 also includes a seven..., for \$17,000 worth of invoices we currently have, that have..., don't have existing funds to pay for as far as contract funds. There's money in the budget but not money available for..., they overspent the, the funds for chlorine. So, we had requested that, working with the Utility District, we went and worked with all their outstanding invoices and we found \_\_\_ for Allied that we needed allocation for the next 12 months. We should also include whatever outstanding invoices they had. In this case, it was \$17,000. Allied, like I said, Allied is the s'..., only provider for the chlorine. We're going in through the U.S. co-op, South Florida co-op, they actually procure the chlorine.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**DEAN MEALY**: Okay?

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Ms. Jo'..., well, I guess Mr. Perry or someone. Um, this would p provide us with the necessary amount of chlorine that we need in order to ensure that our water is getting the necessary treatments? Because I..., and the reason I'm asking is because I know, um, I've just been hearing some, you know, people in the community are saying about the, the water having a different color. Now, where are they specifically? I am still trying to find out but that is something that came up. So I just wanna make sure that we are getting what we need. We have enough..., this is gonna take care of what we need.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Vice Chair. Really quick. And I was at a, um, one of my res'.., my neighbors had a big pool party for children this weekend and the big pool, above ground, had.., it was a yellow color in their pool this, this weekend and I saw it as well. I wasn't too sure if it was the lime...

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** ...might be a factor.

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** Um, let me try to answer that. I'm, I'm not sure but I think that if you have those complaints, at least, if they would call...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** I don't know.., well, for me, I don't if...

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: And let...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...it was called in, so.

[Inaudible background comment]

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** And I don't have the specifics on it. I'm just asking to make sure that whatever we need to do, we're...

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: I understand.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...getting what we need.

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: I understand.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Cause I know before it was kinda.., we were kinda shot on something or, and that's why we didn't...

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** I don't believe.., I mean, it's not, I don't believe it's cause it's not we don't have chlorine.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** Yeah.

MR. B. BEAUDET: Right. I, I'd like to...

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: \_\_\_\_.

MR. B. BEAUDET: ...answer that if I could, Mr. Chair.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Yes, sir.

MR. B. BEAUDET: And Members of the Board. The water in all of southeast Florida is ground water. The ground water's recharged by water that filters through the everglades and, uh, and goes into our aquifer. That water contains a certain amount of color, it does have color in it. That color is harmless, it's like tea. You know, it's, it's very similar to that. We treat, as best we can with our equipment, to remove that color but the equipment that we have and the treatment process that we have is not sufficient to take all the color from the water. And, this is true of many Utilities in southeast

Florida. The water meets all the criteria, including the criteria for color. The criteria for color by FDEP is 15 color units and our water is less than 15 units. However, in order to remove all that color, we would have to have additional treatment processes which, at this time, we do not have. Again, we're not required to have it. The water is completely safe but you will notice some color in the water when you pour the bath or fill the swimming pool, you will see some color.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** I, I have to disagree with that. I've been living here all my life and I've never seen that. So, to say that that... What, what are we doing different from before? Cause I've never seen it before so what, what were we doing that we ca'..., can't do now? I don't understand that...

MR. B. BEAUDET: Well, in the past...

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...cause that doesn't...

MR. B. BEAUDET: Okay...

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: That doesn't sound right.

MR. B. BEAUDET: Whe'..., when you take free chlorine and you combine with that color, it forms byproducts that are harmful. In order to prevent that, based on rules that the EPA has passed, we have now converted to what's called the chloramine. We add ammonia to the chlorine, form a different type of disinfectant but that disinfectant is not as good as chlorine at removing the color. So, there are many Utilities in Palm Beach County that do not have advanced treatment that do have a small amount of color in the water. And, it's unavoidable unless you add an expensive treatment process, uh, to your treatment. And, you know, in the past, you may be referring to the time when we were on free chlorine but, again, we're not able to be on free chlorine now because of the, the combination of chlorine and the organic material in the water forms byproducts that are harmful.

So, that's the reason that you will see some color and, um, that's just a fact.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Can..., can I ask him a question?

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Ms. Jones.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Will that, with the new plant and the new disinfectant process change that? Since we're switching with the disinfectant, will it...

MR. B. BEAUDET: It will...

**CITY MANAGER JONES: ...change that?** 

MR. B. BEAUDET: ...improve it some because we'll have more control over the disinfectant level. Yes.

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: Uh...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** So, you say it's expen'... I'm sorry.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** No go ahead cause I think you're...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** You said it's expensive to have the, the equipment or the treatment that you just mentioned. I mean, what, what amount are we talkin'? Ballpark.

**MR. B. BEAUDET:** Uh, you'd be talking 10 or \$20,000,000 to add either ion-exchange or ozone treatment.

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

MR. B. BEAUDET: Or activated carbon treatment. Um, these are.., now one of the things that I will be working with, with the treatment Staff, I had to dig myself out from under all these consent orders, these past few months and I've been doing a lot of work on that. Now, now that I get a chance to work more with the operators, and also this expert team that's coming in, we'll have some suggestions, we can fine tune the treatment system to remove some of that color. I, however, to remove all the color, you would need to either go to reverse osmosis or ion-exchange or some other type of treatment that would be very, very expensive and, you know, my recommendation is that, let's get our water treatment plant fixed, let's get it operating efficiently and I think once we do that, you will see an improvement in color.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. So, I, I have never seen it before. I don't know if it's just my area. It's just not.., I've never seen it...

BOARD MEMBER PARDO: Oh...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...and I've lived in a couple different parts of Riviera Beach. But I've never seen it before so I'm just trying to figure out is, is there something... Am I the only one that...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** No, no. You're not the only one. I'm gonna let you have the floor.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** You've had yellow stuff in your water before?

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Have it in mine.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Your wa'.., the water...

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** I've had it in mine.

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...usually looked...

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Absolutely.

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...like tea?

BOARD MEMBER PARDO: Since, you know...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mine has...

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** ...I've only...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...never been.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** ... I've only been here 22 years but if you run a bath...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** I've never...

BOARD MEMBER PARDO: ...the water...

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...seen that.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** ...is not clear.

UNK: It's not.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** It's a, um, a fa'.., you know, tinted yellow.

[Inaudible background comments]

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** And, over at the hotels on Singer Island, they have notices in all of the bathrooms.

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah. I never seen...

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Alerting the people...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...that though.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** ...that the water is fine but it just...

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Right. I mean...

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** ...you know, has a...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...I'm not saying it's not fine but I'm just saying that I have never seen that before. So...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Until now?

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...I wanted to know if there was something new...

MR. B. BEAUDET: Well, I'd be glad...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** ....that's happening now...

MR. B. BEAUDET: ...to look at the, uh...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** ....that it didn't...

MR. B. BEAUDET: ...color records in...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...happen before.

**MR. B. BEAUDET:** ...in the past and, and, uh, I'll go back and look at the past color records on the mon'.., monthly operating report.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

MR. B. BEAUDET: But, my guess is, that...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Could it be in, in certain areas and not...

MR. B. BEAUDET: No, ma'am.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...in all?

**MR. B. BEAUDET:** It would be the same everywhere.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Alrighty. That's it for me.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Any other Members of the Board? I, I share the same concern and, and I've seen the water and, and quite frankly, I've seen it more over the last two or three months. It's a yellowish color. I'.., I've seen it quite, a lot more. Madam Clerk.

MR. B. BEAUDET: Well, I'd like to add one thing, and I did put this in my progress report to you last month. Our plant is not 100% functional. We have three treatment units. One, the largest one is down. It's not operational.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Which one is that one?

MR. B. BEAUDET: It's No. 3.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay.

**MR. B. BEAUDET:** The northern unit. I put that in my progress report. Also, you approved at the last meeting, a structural...

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: \_\_\_

MR. B. BEAUDET: ...analysis of the building that's part of the problem. Now, one of the things that you may be seeing, Ms. Miller-Anderson and Mr. Davis, is, because we are operating on two units instead of three, uh, we're pushing those units pretty hard. And so, it might be that you do see a little extra color than what you're used to. There will always be some color in the water with this kind of treatment but it may be more than.., you may be seeing more because we're stressing out the existing units. And it is an issue. We have got to repair that third unit.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** And where's...

**MR. B. BEAUDET:** It's very important.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...that one located?

MR. B. BEAUDET: Pardon me?

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Where's that one? The third location you're talking about. The unit.

**MR. B. BEAUDET:** At the water plant. It's the northern most unit.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Northern, okay. I missed that.

**MR. B. BEAUDET:** And I did put that in my report to you last month.

[Pause]

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** That's it for me.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Anyone else? Madam Clerk.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Board Member Pardo?

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Board Member Davis Johnson?

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Board Member Hubbard?

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Chair Davis?

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Unanimous vote.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Item No. 3.

DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS: 3. RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH UTILITY SPECIAL DISTRICT, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF METERS FROM SUNSTATE METER AND SUPPLY INC. OF NEWBERRY, FLORIDA; AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR TO PAY AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$150,000 FROM ACCOUNT NO. 412-1437-533-0-6405; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Do we have a motion?

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** So moved.

BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON: Second.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Properly moved and second. Item No. 3.., would you like a

presentation?

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Yes.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Yes.

**DEAN MEALY:** Good evening. Dean Mealy. The \$150,000 is to request the ability to purchase additional meters. Additional meters are required of a new.., if you're getting ready to do installation of a new commercial property, you're required to put a fire line in.., a, a fire line for a 8.., excuse me, 8" meter for a fire line is \$14,000. A 10" meter fire line is \$25,000. They can add up very quickly. Also, for new residential installations which is generally a 5/8 or a 1" meter, those meters are roughly 100, \$194 for a 5/8 meter or a residential meter for 1" meter is \$246. So, for any new installation you have going forward, for a new development, you need to.., commercially, you need to put fire lines in so the City needs to have the ability to.., in order to procure these meters from the vendor, the City decided, several years ago, to go to a one meter type for these, the entire City which is Neptune Meter once a supplier within the State of Florida, that's Sunstate Meter. So we're asking.., the Utility and Finance jointly have requested a \$150,000 allocation. So we went out and did out homework, got the updated price list for the meters and the type of meters, sizes they needed to be installed.

Currently, we have a commercial property that needs an 8" meter which is a \$14,000 expenditure and we have no funds to buy the meter. [Pause].

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Mr. Mealy.

**DEAN MEALY**: Ma'am?

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** So, the reason that we're using Neptune is because they're the only one that provide this and we have decided previously, somewhere along the line, just to use the Neptune meters?

**DEAN MEALY**: Ms. Hubbard, generally, all municipalities decided to go a type, one source of type of meter that way it's.., there's continuity of service so that way, when the people go out to do the services, you don't have to worry about having a Neptune or a census meter or...there's, there's a variety of different types of meters. The City decided, based on the service being provided by the meter, that Neptune would actually provide the best service to the City at that time. This was done before I started working here but I... Okay. You already have 13,000 meters installed, it's, it's more difficult to switch everything out at this point.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** No. And I wasn't suggesting that. I was just wondering, this provider of the Neptune meter is, um, are they a sole provider or...

**DEAN MEALY**: Yes, ma'am. In their letter of them being a sole provider for the State of Florida is attached in the package.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** For the entire state?

**DEAN MEALY**: Yes, ma'am.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** And the reason I ask this because, um, the last time that, or one of the times we bought meters, we had such a debacle with the meters, the installation of the meters and, and I wa'.., I wanted to find, I wanted to find out specifically were these the same meters. Did we, did we not have or buy any extra or excess meters? We are just, we just have no meters in s'.., in storage or we have no 18 ft meters?

**DEAN MEALY**: We have no meters at the present time. There's no more additional funds at this time for co'... There's funds in the budget to purchase meters. There's.., the allocation that the City had for the purchase of meters has actually been exhausted. So, we need to actually ask for additional allocation of funds to the vendor to say we have money to buy meters with you am.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Okay. One last question about that. We.., do we have, do we keep extra meters in stock, do we try to keep some on hand, you know, in case one's damaged, we have to replace, things of that nature?

**DEAN MEALY**: I'm gonna refer this to the Water Department for your...

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Thank you.

**WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT DAVIS:** Allen Davis, Water and Sewer Superintendent. Yes, we do, we do keep meters in stock, as far as when we have to change out some that has been tampered with but we do keep a stock of meters there.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Okay. But at this time, we're just totally exhausted?

**WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT DAVIS:** Yeah. We've depleted all the meters that we've had. Even though the ones that we refurbished, we went through those due to some of the, uh, tampering.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Okay. Thank you.

WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT DAVIS: Mhmm.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Is that the end of your comments and questions, Commissioner Hubbard.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** No, that's fine. Thank you.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Anyone else.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Did it say...

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: Vice Chair.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...how many we were purchasing? I didn't see it.

**DEAN MEALY**: No, ma'am. The, we have the price list for each size meter...

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

**DEAN MEALY**: ...as [stammer] as I mentioned to. The majority of the meters for residential homes are 5/8 or 1".

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

**DEAN MEALY**: We have the price list for that is \$194, \$256...

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

**DEAN MEALY**: And then depending, like right now, we had a commercial installation for.., which requires an 8" fire line...

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

**DEAN MEALY**: ...that meter is \$14,700. So, it was a specific number of 5/8 meters or 1" meters, it's basically to have the ability to purchase up to \$150,000 based on the type of meters required to support the City at this time. So right now we need to have su'.., a supply of 5/8 and 1"...

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

**DEAN MEALY**: ...for new residential installations. And then, when.., as you have commercial installations, as the building permits come through, we had to, we had to, we had the ability at that time to actually secure the 8" or the 10" meters for the fire lines.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. What is the procedure for the, um, keeping the inventory of the meters? How are they inventoried or...

**DEAN MEALY**: I'll defer back...

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...monitored?

**DEAN MEALY**: ...to the Water Department...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**DEAN MEALY**: ...on that.

[Inaudible background comments]

WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT DAVIS: We've actually kept a, a

spreadsheet of the inventor that we have.

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

**WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT DAVIS:** We have 'em stored in a container that we have, uh, just on the pre'.., on the property back there. So, we do keep an inventory of all meters.

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. And we have an account

for all of those that...

WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT DAVIS: We have an account...

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...either don't work...

**WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT DAVIS:** ...on the spreadsheet and the ones that come in and out, a work order is created through the billing department and that's how they are distributed.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Alright. Thanks.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** One last question, Mr. Chair.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Commissioner Hubbard.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** The, um, okay, the Resolution says not to exceed the 150 but the contract, so far, is just 100, it's 135. But again, we don't know exactly how many we're going to purchase, we're gonna purchase as needed?

**DEAN MEALY**: The meters, actually it states \$150,000. The one for \$135,000 was Allied Universal which is the chlorine, ma'am. Item [clears throat]. Excuse me. Item 2 was the chlorine which was 135. Item 3, which is...

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** The 150?

**DEAN MEALY**: ...meters, is \$150,000.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Okay. Thank you.

**DEAN MEALY**: You're welcome.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Any other questions? [Pause]. Madam Clerk.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Board Member Hubbard?

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Board Member Davis Johnson?

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Board Member Pardo?

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Chair Davis?

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Unanimous vote.

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA** 

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Alright. That's the end of Consent Agenda.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Any awards and presentations, Madam Manager?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** No. sir.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS** 

REGULAR AGENDA

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay. Public hearings. We'll go to Item No. 5.

DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS: 5. RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_\_ A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH UTILITY SPECIAL DISTRICT, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE CONTRACT WITH U.S. WATER SERVICES CORPORATION OF NEW PORT RICHEY, FLORIDA, TO PROVIDE AN ASSESSMENT REPORT RELATED TO CONSENT ORDER WP-020-16; AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT CHAIRPERSON AND DISTRICT CLERK TO EXECUTE THIS CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR TO PAY AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$78,489.52;

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE A TEN PERCENT (10%) CONTINGENCY OPTION FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TOTALING \$7,849; AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR TO PAY AN ADDITIONAL TEN PERCENT (10%) CONTINGENCY OPTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Do we have a motion?

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** So moved.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Second.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Properly moved and second. Let's take a public comment now. Ms. Mami Kisner. [Pause]. Well, not public comment but for Item 5. So, this second card is for public comment?

MS. M. KISNER: Yeah.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay.

**MS. M. KISNER:** Good evening, Mr. Chair and...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Good evening.

**MS. M. KISNER:** ... Members and City Manager. Mami Kisner. As you know, I've been before you many times speaking on behalf of residents of Riviera Beach. And no, I do not live in Riviera Beach but we have many seniors who do not have a voice and they've asked me to be their voice.

Tonight, I bring you concern regard spending almost \$86,338.52 for an assessment. I believe that the thought of the Board at the time that you expressed that you wanted an assessment, that I would be a lot less than close to \$100,000. Now, there may be additional work that they may be looking at but you have a consultant, you're now just approving almost \$50,000..., up to \$50,000 for an outside consultant. You've already paid \$25,000. Now you're going to approve \$78,000 plus another 10%. Part of the issues, if you will remember, if you were on the Board, the Utility director used to report directly to the Utility Board. That was changed under the current administration for it to report to the City Manager. You may wanna look at putting it back under the Utility Board because we've had a lot of issues regarding our water. You also may wanna look at other water in other municipalities and how they're water is clear and those kind of same stories that were said tonight, um, are similar stories.

But clarity of an assessment for the residents of this community is a concern when those water bills are continuing to rise. You've shown that there has been inefficiency in the Staff, two Utility directors have been release or no longer here. Now you have an assistant Utility director. There is a major problem and I've been here for two years

telling you there is a problem with managing the Utility District. So you may wanna reconsider putting it back under the direction of the Board. But please, revisit spending \$86,338 when people are having to pay higher water bills in Riviera Beach.

Thank you.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Thank you. That's the end of public comments.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Mr. Chair, I have a question.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Commissioner Johnson.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** This, um, this assessment and report, is this in direct relationship to the consent orders and a requirement as a part of that agreement with us to bring everything into compliance?

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** Troy Perry. Yes. I'm, uh, I can appreciate the comments made by Ms. Kisner but the reason we're entering into this agreement as part of the Palm Beach County Health Department's Consent Order, they gave us specific criteria and things that they, they required us to do under this Consent Order that we had to do and so that's why we had to go out for RFP to try to get a company to perform these services. This is not something we wanted to do, we had to do it as part of the Consent Order, we were required to do it. The company came in with a price, Staff did an excellent job trying to negotiate the price down and this was the price that hey settled on with the, um, with the company.

**DEAN MEALY**: Dean Mealy. Purchasing. To add to what Mr. Perry stated, the original proposal that came back [clears throat], excuse me, came back from U.S. Water was approximately \$98,000 and, uh, Mr. Beaudet, MR. Rhoads, a member of my Staff, Randy Wood, negotiated the pricing down to a figure based on what they thought the true services would be, which is what the number you see reflected on the request this event. You.., the Board actually approved the, the, the award to U.S. Waters at the last Utility meeting and the request tonight was to come back to approve the new, negotiated price.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Thank you.

**DEAN MEALY**: Okay.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Any other questions by any Board Members?

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** One, Mr. Chair.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Commissioner Hubbard.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Now the, um, the contract that goes out that you were going to split up, the engineering services that you explained a minute ago, which, which compa'.., company was hand'.., um, was that? Remember you said we're gonna go back out for additional engineering services so that just won't.., so one company won't have the entire contract. So, which company and what services was that?

**DEAN MEALY**: Ms. Hubbard, in reference to your question, that has [stammer], this is not to do with U.S. Waters. There's a separate solicitation being solicited to do engineering services. That's to manage the additional solicitations that'll be handled for improvements to the water and wastewater system.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** The engineering services will be handling... Repeat that, please.

**DEAN MEALY**: The solicitation that is being forthcoming for engineering services will be water and wastewater projects that'll be coming forward.

BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD: Mhmm.

**DEAN MEALY**: But not for this particular solicitation. This right here is specifically designed for the assessment related to the requirements of the Consent Order.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** [Sigh].

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** I believe, I believe, under the RFP, Ms. Hubbard, I guess, other companies will be able to bid on those services.

**DEAN MEALY**: On... for the...

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** We haven't selected a, on an engineering firm yet to, to perform those services. He sent out the RFP, he had to take it back and he's redoing the RFP so other companies will be able to bid on those particular services.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** And this analysis that UsD will be performing will be just that, the analysis will be given a report over the condition, if you will, and where we need to go...

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** What, what, we, we could've, should've done is probably, is provided you all with another company of the Consent Order and in the Consent Order, it's very detailed on the services that need to provided..., be provided and I can provide that to City Council in, in a separate cover. A copy of the agreement and then you can see all the services that this engin'..., this firm has to pro'..., to provide.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** We've had a lot of engineer.., I mean, Utility District vendors and contracts go out.

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: Correct.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** So, it's easy to kind of get them all...

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: I understand.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** ...interrelated and confused but I do wanna ask about, the last meeting that we had over in the Event Center...

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: Mhmm.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** We had C Solutions and another, uh, vendor there. The oth'..., not C Solutions but the other vendor, the, that was award a contract at that time and, if I'm not mistaken, you said that they were the only persons that had responded to that particular...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** [Inaudible].

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: That's this comp'...

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** That was...

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** ...that's this company here.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** It's the same Item.

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** You, you approved the company and then you told Staff to go back and negotiate a contract. So now we're bringing the negotiated contract back to the City Council to, uh...

**DEAN MEALY**: Yeah. Yeah.

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: ...to accept.

**DEAN MEALY**: Ms. Hubbard, for this particular solicitation, only one firm bid on the solic'... on the RFP. That was U.S. Waters.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** [Stammer]...

**DEAN MEALY**: No other firm bid on this particular...

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** And that what I...

**DEAN MEALY**: ...RFP.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** ...and that's why I'm asking because I do.., I did

remember that and I remember that we.., that this took place over at the Event Center so I'm trying to.., with so many contracts that you guys are putting out on the street, so many people that you're hiring and all these dollars that are going out, it's imperative that I do keep them straight.

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: Absolutely.

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: [Chuckle].

BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD: The, um...

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** Wha'.., like I said, Ms. Hubbard, what I'll do is I could.., I'll give you a copy of the Consent Order and you'll see exactly what this company has to, um,....

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** And I, I'm not, I'm not questioning the service that U.S. Waters will provide...

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: Okay.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** What I'm, what I'm asking, if they are the same company that... I'm trying to differentiate between what these companies, for example, the engineering firm, the engineering piece that you were bringing.., that you are going out for, wi'.., will they be, will they be, be providing some of the services that you U.S. Waters will be working on?

MR. B. BEAUDET: No.

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: No, ma'am.

**DEAN MEALY**: No, ma'am.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** None at all?

**DEAN MEALY**: No.

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** But, but they will be providing some other services. Instead of C Solutions, you'll have another engineering firm that can...

BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD: Okay. So they're...

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** ...provide [inaudible]...

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** ...complimentary to C Solutions...

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: Correct.

BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD: ...not necessarily...

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Neptune.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD: ...U.S....** 

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: Yes, ma'am.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD: ...** Waters?

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: Yes, ma'am.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** So, okay. Okay. I'm, I, I guess I'm a little concerned that [pause] U.S. Waters was the only one that responded to it.., this, this a'.., this, this analysis...

**DEAN MEALY**: With the assessment, correct. I think part of that might be is because whoever's awarded the assessment will not necessarily be the one doing the repairs. So that's why, generally, you get other firms that would come back behind for the engineering and consulting services contract, it would then bid.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Okay. So once U.S. Waters' analysis is done, we still have to go out for contracts for someone to come in and do the actual construction work, the repairs?

**DEAN MEALY**: Correct.

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: Correct.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Okay. Thank you.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Really quick. Has that contract, has that went out.., proposal went already for competitive bid?

**DEAN MEALY**: The solicitation did go out, sir.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** So...

**DEAN MEALY**: However, I did pull it back and it's gonna go back out again this coming week. I ha'.., there was some issues, technical issues with inside the RFP.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay.

**DEAN MEALY**: It was either to reissue versus going ahead and issuing extensive, long addendum.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay.

**DEAN MEALY**: And we had.., also we had a public records request for the previous solicitations that had been submitted for the previous bid that was put out in 2015.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay.

**DEAN MEALY**: And it got very convoluted so this is easier to go ahead and start from scratch.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** So, there was some modifications that was made based on the requirements, is that what you're telling me?

**DEAN MEALY**: Based on the actual needs of the City, it was easier to go ahead and to put one RFP out that all the, all the requirements in it. There was a few things that were missing in the solicitation that went out.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** And who de'.., who determined that? Who, who caught that?

**DEAN MEALY**: Actually, I did.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay.

**DEAN MEALY**: But, when you start getting questions from vendors and you see the addendums they're asking or questions they're starting to propose, it's...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay.

**DEAN MEALY**: ...easier to go ahead and say, 'Whoa, what was missed?'

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay.

**DEAN MEALY**: And then you go back and review.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay.

**DEAN MEALY**: We had originally pulled.., the original solicitation was generated by Lou...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay.

**DEAN MEALY**: ... Aurigemmi, Aurigemmi and when we took his original work, we came back and, based on the experience we had...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** I understand.

**DEAN MEALY**: ...it \_\_ ...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** I understand.

**DEAN MEALY**: ...go back and say, 'No. This isn't the best process to go forward

with.'

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Thank you. I appreciate it.

**DEAN MEALY**: You're welcome.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Any other Members of the Board?

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Mr. Perry, you were gonna say something?

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: No, ma'am.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay. Madam Clerk.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Board Member Hubbard?

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Board Member Davis Johnson?

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Board Member Pardo?

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Chair Davis?

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Unanimous vote.

**END OF REGULAR AGENDA** 

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Thank you. Item No. 6.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Oh. [Chuckle].

[Inaudible discussion]

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** [Inaudible], do we?

**UNK:** Hmm? We don't have to.

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: Yeah. It's Item No. 6, then we'll come back to public

comment afterwards.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** 6. RESOLUTION NO. RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH UTILITY SPECIAL DISTRICT (THE "DISTRICT"), AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATED SALE OF CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH UTILITY SPECIAL DISTRICT WATER AND SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2016 (THE "SERIES 2016 BONDS"), IN THE INITIAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT EXCEEDING \$40,000,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE SERIES 2016 PROJECT, AS DESCRIBED HEREIN; DETERMINING CERTAIN DETAILS OF THE SERIES 2016 BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE APPLICATION OF THE BOND PROCEEDS: APPROVING THE FORM OF. AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT TO EFFECT THE NEGOTIATED SALE OF THE SERIES 2016 BONDS AND SETTING THE PARAMETERS BY WHICH THE CHAIRPERSON OR FINANCE DIRECTOR SHALL BE AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT: APPROVING THE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFERING AND SALE OF THE SERIES 2016 BONDS AND AUTHORIZING THE DISTRIBUTION OF A PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT AND THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT BY THE UNDERWRITERS; APPOINTING A PAYING AGENT AND REGISTRAR: AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING WHETHER TO OBTAIN A BOND INSURANCE POLICY FOR THE SERIES 2016 **BONDS** AND **AUTHORIZING** THE **BOARD** TO **FOLLOW** SUCH RECOMMENDATIONS: AUTHORIZING THE SERIES 2016 BONDS TO BE REGISTERED UNDER A BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM OF REGISTRATION: AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICERS OF THE DISTRICT TO DO ALL OTHER THINGS DEEMED NECESSARY OR ADVISABLE IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE AND DELIVERY OF THE SERIES 2016 BONDS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN **EFFECTIVE DATE.** 

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** So moved.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Second.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Properly moved and second. Mr. Sherman.

DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN: Yes. Good evening. Randy Sherman, Finance Director for the District. Uh, yes. This is the final step for the Board to take for..., before we can issue the \$40,000,000 Utility revenue bonds. I won't go through each one of these steps but, you know, we've been working on this for almost a year. The Council actually was involved in those first three steps, so they adopted the Capital Plan, they authorized us to move forward with the sale. Back in February, they actually designated the underwriter as Stifel, Nicholas. Since then, Staff has been working diligently with our bond counsel, the underwriter and our financial advisor. We've been going through the steps. As I mentioned a couple Saturdays ago when we had our get together, um, we did receive a A+ rating from both Fitch and S&P, so we have got the ratings in hand and what we have for you tonight is the supplemental bond Resolution. Back in '14, you actually adopted a Resolution for all Utility bonds. And if you recall, that sets the foundation for all bonds going forward and then, as you do individual sales, you actually adopt a supplemental Resolution at the time of each sales which lays out the specifics for that particular sale.

So, what this Resolution does, in essence, is again, it provides what our reporting requirements are, it adopts the official statement that we will be actually, you know, our offering document and it approves the bond purchase agreement between the City and the underwriter.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Any questions from the Commission.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Sure.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Commissioner Johnson?

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Mr. Sherman, I'm looking at the.., under Description of Series 2016 Projects. Now, you, you have the amount to be funded by the bonds, but is there a provision in, in our policy or anywhere whereby we can make some changes to some of the projects that are addressed as it relates to the bond?

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** You can make slight changes. But again, it has to be a project that is bondable, um, and, you know, there is a list of, of projects here. It adds up to the \$40,000,000. Those numbers obviously can shift, you know, between project. But, for the most part, once you've adopted your list of projects, that is your list of projects.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** I ask because, from the time that I was sworn in, I heard about the conditions of the various properties, the equipment that is being utilized. I see we do some rehabbing but not necessarily re'.., not necessarily replacement but I'm talking about telemetry, um, telemetry. You know, those kind of things that deal more...

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Yes.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...with the day-to-day for the Staff and making sure that the Staff has the equipment that it needs. [Stammer], it doesn't have a page number. Can you...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Oh, yeah.

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Yeah.

BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON: Can you direct him to that or can you put...

That's it.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Is that it?

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** That's it.

DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN: Yeah. They're actually, the, the Water Utility District actually..., or for capital projects actually has three funding sources. So, you'll have the bond proceeds, which'll take care of these projects. You'll also have impact fees that the District receives for, for new construction plus every year we're required to fund a renewal and replacement account. So, you have pay as you go capital and then you'll have the bond capital. And what's happened over the last number of years, is all of the renewal and replacement dollars and impact fees have, have all been spent down and now you're to the point that, okay, if we're going to move any of these projects forward, alright, we'll, we'll need to issue the bonds that take care of these projects, while, at the same time, again, every year you get more impact fees and you get more renewal and replacement dollars.

So, types of issues that you're dealing with will come out in the Capital Plan.

BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON: Mhmm.

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** That we'll be talking about next Monday and you'll see that those are coming out of those other funds.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Because I'm, I'm talking about the conditions at lift stations, I'm talking about the electrical...

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Mhmm.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...panels, I'm talking about those...

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** right....

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...things that directly impact our workers and that, ultimately, will impact our citizens. I'm thinking in terms of the, um, the structures

that may have gone beyond their useful intent and at what point are we allocating dollars to bring those things up to Code. No'.., I'm not talking patchwork...

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Yeah.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...because water is, is, is very critical. And so, I'm I'm wanting to see that so that when you come back to, come back at that next meeting that you're mentioning, I wanna be able to see where we are addressing those types of issues in the budget because we cannot afford to have our workers working in substandard conditions, not can we be putting out a substandard product.

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** And, and I will go back and see if those came in. If they haven't, we'll get that together to make sure that, that they've been included.

BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Maybe I missed it and I apologize...

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Yeah.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: ...**Mr. Sherman but how was this list prioritized? Who determined it?

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** This list came from the 2013 Master Plan.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay.

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Uh, when they went through that list, they high priority, medium priority and low priority and what this does is this takes the first five years of the high priority projects.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay. So, Silver Beach Road improvements, that's the entire road? Or there's s something specific about Silver Beach Road they're looking at doing?

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Again, it's not the road, it would be the below...

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: [Inaudible].

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** So, it's, it's the water pipes that are, that are under that road.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** So when they go... Excuse me, when the county goes and actually resurfaces...

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: Mhmm.

CITY MANAGER JONES: ...and has it open, we wanna make...

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: Go ahead...

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...sure we do our work while they've got it.., while they're doing it.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Alright. Any other questions or comments from the Board? [Pause]. Madam Clerk.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Board Member Hubbard?

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:**Board Member Davis Johnson?

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:**Board Member Pardo?

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Chair Davis?

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Yes.

**DEPUTY DITRICT CLEREK BURGESS:** Unanimous vote.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Before we go...

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Thank you.

## 7. MANGONIA PARK DISCUSSION

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Before we go.., we're gonna finish Item No. 7 then we'll go to public comment. Mangonia Park discussion.

CITY MANAGER JONES: As you can see attached, we received a request from the City of Mangonia Park and with some things that they would like for this Board to entertain. We met with the Mayor and with the City Manager, the Mayor's office and I, and so, once they told us what their need was, it was decided that they needed to come make that pitch because if, if a small work group is going to be appointed, you would have to appoint someone so I wanted them to be able to come and tell you what they were thinking about and then you can entertain how you would like to proceed with that.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay. Mayor?

MAYOR W. ALBURY: Good evening.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Good evening.

MAYOR W. ALBURY: Mayor Albury, Town of Mangonia Park and I have with me Kenneth Metcalf, our Town Manager. First, just let me say thanks. We appreciate the opportunity, Town Manag., City Manager. I'm sorry, we refer it as Town Manager, the Board and Staff for putting us on the Agenda to just come and state, um, a concern that we have. Specifically, our concern is that I don't know if you have it with you, we, um, I just wanted to come and address a, an agreement that we have dating back to 2008. Specifically, the agreement that we entered into. We entered into an official hard, an agreement for the purposes of, of water, uh, purchasing water as well as our wastewater. The Town of Mangonia Park produces its own water and we do purchase, just as information, we do purchase on an emergency basis, water. For instance, if we have a difficult at the plant and we just.., and we have an interconnection that allows us to do that on emergency basis.

However, we, um, of course, like Riviera Beach, do not treat our wastewater, it sort of passes through the pipes and it goes out to the ECR. I think it is where the treatment takes place. Our specific concern is that back in 2008, when we entered into the contract, we were, at that point in time, our, our rate of rate of wastewater [To Mr. Metcalf: I'll ...in just a moment], uh, was roughly \$1.63 per thousand gallons. Seven years later, when we get the new contract, that, that rate was increased from \$1.63 to \$5.39.

**UNK:** [Inaudible].

MAYOR W. ALBURY: Now, of course, that represents about a, uh, roughly, a \$350, uh, 350% increase. If you were to take that by the seven years that it represents, that's about a 50% increase per year. One of the things that we're not able to do, of course, would be to increase our residents' rates proportionately in order to cover this. So we did meet over a period of time, when Dr. Sierra was here, as well as Liz Wade when she was the Commissioner over the district. To try and get some relief, we expressed our concern at time and, and through a series of meetings in the interim, uh, taking us to day, we've had mattings as well. We haven't had, uh, we haven't experienced the relief that we were hoping for and so we did meet with Ms. Jones as she stated and I, and I

think Mr. Sherman as well and we explained to them and we shared with them our concern as well as.., our concern primarily being that we didn't have the opportunity of experiencing a gradual increase like other residents. When we got our official notice, I think was in 2010, if I'm not mistaken, I stand to be correct. It was one foul swoop of an increase that we got.

It was difficult at that point in time in terms of just being able to pass that cost on to our residents. We're currently working on a, um, an increase of fees as well but, again, we would have to increase our residents' rates at about 350%, not over a period of time but immediately, uh, to cover the increase of cost. But right now, back in 2008, on an average, we were, we were paying roughly, about, between 8 and \$10,000. I would see the invoices and I would sign the checks every month so I knew what the amount were. Now we're paying roughly forty something thousand dollars a month. Now, keep in mind, the, the water isn't treated here, it's simply passed through the pipes and it's metered. We understand that there's some improvements being done at the plant and, uh, and so there's cost being [stammer] assessed to all of the participants of the plant.

But, again, our concern, in terms of just the percentages that was passed on through the contractor, we understand contracts and we understand how's there's the, the automatic adjustments and such but we also know that contracts are negotiable, that they're not immutable, they, they always stand to be negotiated and, and that's what we're trying to do. One of the things that happens is that, in addition to the increase in the rates that we pay, because we're a non-customer, specially, we're not in, in the City of Riviera Beach, we're also assessed a 25% surcharge. So, in addition to the increases of fee, we also have the 25%, uh, twenty se'.., 5% increase because we're non-customers. What we did discover was that, I think it was the Town of Palm Beach Shores, I think, is also a non-customer, so to speak or, for our purposes and we're still trying to find the correct classification for us. We know that there are some outlyers. Specifically, you have some unincorporated areas that might be defined differently. We're trying to determine how we're defined but, but the point here being that, um, our ask here today is simply that we receive the same type of [clears throat], excuse me, same type of, uh, 'call is? What do we wanna call it, consideration, if you will, as the Town of Palm Beach Shores. Now, while Palm Beach Shores, from what I understand and again, I can be cor'..., I stand to be corrected, the Town of Palm Beach Shores, of course, also, uh, you.., I think you provide their water which we're not in need of. However, from, as... because we're a municipality as opposed to one of the outliers. that being, I think, the trailer park and a few other things, we're a city within ourselves, is that we would like to, uh, with this by way of a work group, uh, your consideration, one of the things we'd like to see happen immediately would be that the 25% surcharge be removed. We're... and, and the reason for that is that we're already paving a higher rate than your residential customers and we fully understand because we're not resident's, if you will but, at the same time, we're paying a higher rate and we're also being assessed a 25% surcharge which we think is, uh, just a little excessive and so, we would just kind of like to sort of prevail upon you to, at least, if you could put together a work group or if that work group isn't needed, you wanna make a decision tonight, we... That passed over. Okay. But if you'd like to...

[Chuckle]

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** [Chuckle] It did pass over.

**MAYOR W. ALBURY:** ...do that tonight. And, and we...

[Laughter]

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** \_\_\_ go by.

**MAYOR W. ALBURY:** That, that went over, okay.

[Inaudible background comments]

**MAYOR W. ALBURY:** Right. No, we.., as, as Ms. Jones stated, we understand that there's fiscal implications here. We've heard presentation after presentation tonight where's there's some cost, where you're approving expenditures and so we come asking to give as opposed to, uh... And so, we fully understand it, we're in budget session as well.

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: Mhmm.

**MAYOR W. ALBURY:** And so, we thank you so much for allowing us to come while we're still in budget session because, much like you, we're trying to anticipate what our costs are going to be. But again, we simply don't have, uh, with.., the capacity at this point in time to increase our residential rate to cover this cost. Ms. Metcalf may have some information as well if...

TOWN MANAGER METCALF: [Inaudible].

MAYOR W. ALBURY: ... I failed to do anything. Okay? [Stammer]...

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Mr. Chair?

**MAYOR W. ALBURY:** And, and just as, just as a footnote, we are currently now paying more to have our, our wastewater pass through the pipes than we are for fire service.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay. Okay.

MAYOR W. ALBURY: Thanks.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** So, we go, um...

MAYOR W. ALBURY: Certainly.

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: Commissioner Pardo.

**MAYOR W. ALBURY:** Oh, certainly.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Okay. So I have a question for you.

MAYOR W. ALBURY: Sure.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** You know, as you know, the City of Riviera Beach, West Palm Beach, Town of Palm Beach, Lake Worth, we're all part of the ECR.

MAYOR W. ALBURY: Mhmm.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Okay? And, we had to pass the cost onto our residents also.

MAYOR W. ALBURY: Mhmm.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Right? The costs out there increased, they're building a new facility. You know, my question to you is, have you, you know, if you're not happy with what the City is charging you, by any chance, have you met with the, with the City of West Palm Beach?

MAYOR W. ALBURY: Yes.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Okay.

MAYOR W. ALBURY: Mhmm.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** And, were their rates more competitive that ours?

**MAYOR W. ALBURY:** Well, the difficulty, uh, well, out of that, and just to answer you specifically.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Please.

**MAYOR W. ALBURY:** There's no'.., there isn't a connection on the other side of 45<sup>th</sup> Street which...

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Right.

**MAYOR W. ALBURY:** ...means that there would have to be some construction that takes place.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Okay.

**MAYOR W. ALBURY:** Since we're currently a customer, a longstanding customer, a longstanding customer with Riviera Beach and the connection is already there, we, we, we figured the better the to do would just be to, to have conversation with our current vendor, if you will. But that is a possibility. It won't be as immediate as it would be if something were to take place here.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Okay. So was the cost, uh, less? Putting aside the cost for construction...

MAYOR W. ALBURY: Mhmm. Okay.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Would the cost be less?

**MAYOR W. ALBURY:** Uh, that we can't...

TOWN MANAGER METCALF: [Inaudible]. We haven't gotten that far along in our

conversations.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Okay. Thank you.

TOWN MANAGER METCALF: Mhmm.

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: Any other...

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Mr. Chair?

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** ...Commission'... Commissioner Hubbard.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Have we looked our.., the fiscal impact that it would have, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Jones or this is what you, uh, want to flush out with the, with the, with the work group? And, and I want to find out, can anybody tell me why did we do such an excessive increase in one foul swoop as opp'.., as opposed to doing it gradually? And does any Staff, um, have that answer?

[Inaudible background comments]

DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN: Alright. Hi, Randy Sherman, Finance Director. Again, this, this preceded me so I'm g gonna try to [chuckle] fill in some blanks here. Back in 2009, I believe it was, the Council approved the 10 year rate increase. And, according to the agreement, Mangonia Park was to pay the same rate that we were paying as we were going along. The problem happened is that they were to receive annual notification of the rate increases and no one ever passed those rate increases along. So they were actually charged the old rate for a number of years.

**UNK:** [Inaudible whisper].

DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN: Once we came across the fact that the rate that it had been charged for years was incorrect, there was a big increase once you, again, jumped from where you were in '08 or '09 all the way up, I think it was 2013 was the year that we, we caught onto it. Um, so that, that kind of was, was the big increase. And, of course, once you do the increase, then you do the 25% kicker on top of that, uh, it was a significant, a significant hit to their budget. I think it took us two years before we finally got all caught up cause we, you know, it was like, 'Okay. Not your fault but here's the bill,' so we kinda, you know, took payments over time and got caught up over time.

**UNK:** Okay.

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** But again, it was a, a large increase because they don't charge the individual customers. It's all part of their operating budget. So again, that made a big impact on their operating budget.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** What will be the significant, um, impact to us if we alleviated, at least, the surcharge?

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** You got that? You got that number specifically?

**MAYOR ALBURY:** Yes. We were able to, uh, crunch some numbers, so to speak and, if we were to remove the sur'.., if the surcharge were to be removed, just based upon the average right now, \$45,000 a month.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** yeah....

**MAYOR ALBURY:** If that was removed, then we'd be.., we, actually, uh, we pay, uh, that would take us to \$35,000 a month approximately.

BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD: Mhmm.

MAYOR ALBURY: Yeah.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** And what's Palm Beach Shores paying?

[Inaudible background comments]

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Now, [stammer], excuse me again. Palm Beach Shores is a retail customer. So it's customer by customer by customer.

BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD: I see.

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** The difference between the two is, in Palm Beach Shores, they're paying the standby fee so every customer is paying

towards that capital. Mangonia Park isn't paying the standby fee. So, if you actually the, the thousands of gallons that we get from Palm Beach Shores versus the price for a thousand gallons in Mangonia Park, Mangonia Park, even with the 25% is actually lower than what the residents, or the bi'.., you know, the...

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** So...

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** ...customers in Palm Beach Shores.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** So, but Mangonia Park isn't receiving water, they're just kinda...

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Right. No.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** ...passing through?

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** This is, no, this is on the sewer rates. This...

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** On the sewer rates.

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** ...is just on the sewer rates. But again, because Palm Beach Shores doesn't pay the 25% but they pay the standby fee, Mangonia Park pays the 25% but not the standby fee. So that, and again, it, it's close but Mangonia Park is actually a little bit lower. But again, as we, you know, go into the next year, again, it's... I'm sorry, may I? It's a budget issue and they've asked to come and, you know, and meet and discuss and... And the contract is March of 2018. Correct? Is when the current agreement would end unless you negotiated something sooner.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Okay. Well, I would like to see us put our work group together and start working with them as soon as, as possible.

MAYOR ALBURY: If I may, just a, a question, just for our purposes.

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: Sure.

**MAYOR ALBURY:** The Town of Palm Beach Shores right now, their, uh, per gallon rate is [looking back] just...

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN: Oh.** 

[Chuckle]

**MAYOR ALBURY:** Their, um, what we just need to know, their per gallon rate,, as well as what the standby fee is.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Okay. What...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Exu'...

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** ...are those costs, Mr. Sherman?

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Yeah. The per gallon rate is the same as, as what you're paying. I apologize I don't have that in front of me. But again, then you have the standby fee which is, again, for a residential customer I wanna say it's somewhere around, like, \$14 a month or something. So if you're the average customer and you're using 5,000 gallons, and you're charging \$14 for the standby fee, in essence, they're paying \$3 more per thousand than Mangonia Park is but then, again, Mangonia Park pays, pays the kicker on top of it, the 25%

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Thanks.

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** But we can, we'll, we'll lay all that out as...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** [Inaudible]

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** ...we sit down as a group and we can, you know, lay all those numbers out to the review.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Okay. Again, I just would.., I can understand how, you know, that can be a burden to be hit with...

**DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Mhmm.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** ...every month and, then again, all at once. So, I would like to see Staff meet with them and...

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Well, the also want an elected official. So that's why we're here as a part of this...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Talk into the mic'...

**CITY MANAGER JONES: ...work group...** 

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** ...the microphone, Ms. Jones.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** They also want an elected official to sit with them...

BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD: I will.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...cause th'.., cause they've got the Mayor and so you, you need to make sure you have, at least...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Well, we, we have a Mayor should be there too.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** But he doesn't...

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** But he was in...

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** ...come to meetings.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...our original mee'... His Staff was in our original meeting.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Mr. Chair?

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** I will, if you'd like. Um, Ms. Jones.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Hold, hold... Bef'... Here's the concern. How long you all, before I move on to Commissioner Pardo and Hubbard, how long have you all been having these conversations with our Staff?

MAYOR ALBURY: Since 2007 or '08.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** When's the last time...

MAYOR ALBURY: 2007.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** ... you all met?

MAYOR ALBURY: April, I think it was.

**TOWN MANAGER METCALF:** End of April.

MAYOR ALBURY: End of April.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** They came to the table April.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** This year?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** They wrote the Mayor...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okav.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...and asked for a meeting and that was in April of this year.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** So, are you all asking this Board to make a decision this year?

MAYOR ALBURY: Yes, we...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** At this stage?

**MAYOR ALBURY:** Yes. We, we would like to see a decision this year. That's our desire, yes.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** I'm not gonna speak for the entire Board but I think it will only or won't be fair that we put together a group to sit down and start that conversation at this stage of our budget wor'.., budget year. I don't know why it took so long to come before the Board but we're now getting ready to charge into August. Not to say we can't get anything accomplished but, um, this is the first time even hearing anything about this as far as...

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** I was thinking, with the...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Commissioner Pardo then, um...

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** ...budget workshop, it would be the first step [inaudible]...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: ...**Commissioner Hubbard.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Okay. I have no problem with putting together this Board and I think the Chairperson should be the elected official that sits down with you all, but I am not in favor of our residents subsidizing Mangonia Park or anyone else. You know, if we can work something out, that's fine but, I'm telling you right now, you know, I'm not looking to subsidize you guys.

MAYOR ALBURY: Okay. And, and...

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** So...

**MAYOR ALBURY:** And that's appreciated but we're not, we're not...

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Alright.

**MAYOR ALBURY:** ...asking for subsidies.

BOARD MEMBER PARDO: Well, I'm just telling you...

**MAYOR ALBURY:** Okay.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** You know, it's, you know, what's fair is fair.

MAYOR ALBURY: Mhmm.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** And, at the end of the day, I just wanna make sure that the residents of Riviera Beach aren't subsidizing you guys or Palm Beach Shores.

MAYOR ALBURY: What, what we would ask...

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** So, I would say that, it would be my suggestion to the Board, that the Chairperson be the elected official that sits down with you all.

**MAYOR ALBURY:** Well, thank you. And Commissioner Pardo, again, I ask here, tonight, is that [stammer], no subsidies and we're not asking for handouts. What we are asking is to receive the same treatment that Palm Beach Shores, and other municipality so that we have apples to apple...

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** But, we also heard...

**MAYOR ALBURY:** ...oranges to oranges...

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** ...that Palm Beach Shores is a totally different animal.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Yeah.

**MAYOR ALBURY:** They're a municipality.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** We're not dealing with the sa'... Correct, but you're not dealing with the same thing. You know, [stammer], you, you guys aren't getting water from us whereas Palm Beach Shores is getting everything from us.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Everything.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** So it's really, it's a different...

**MAYOR ALBURY:** Okay.

BOARD MEMBER PARDO: ...animal.

**MAYOR ALBURY:** Okay. Right. But now they do have the water rates and the wastewater rates. So...

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Alright. Well that's...

**MAYOR ALBURY:** ...there's two separate... Okay.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** ...you know, you're working group can [inaudible]...

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: I don't think...

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** I wanted to just...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** I don't think now's the time to negotiate. This is the first time, to be fair, to this Board as a body that we've heard this. I think, I mean, Commissioner Hubbard is there something that you wanna do?

BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD: Two things. I, um...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** But I have no problem sitting down with the Mayor...

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** To...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** ...and City Manager to discuss a future plan but I don't wanna feel like we gotta ransom down..., not saying that you're asking us to do that but I'll take... please keep in mind this is the first time I'm hearing about this discussion.

MAYOR ALBURY: Mhmm.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** But we have to look at the totality of everything, when you all negotiated your rates, when did Palm Beach Shore negotiate, what services are you all receiving, what they're receiving and let's be fair across the board. I, I really don't know the history but I think that's something that, you know, I will love to sit down with you guys...

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** [Inaudible]

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** ...and, um, hash out, you know... But, Commissioner Hubbard.

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** I don't.., I understand what they're saying and I don't see it as, um, our neighbors and our, and being their vendor that they're asking for a handout, they're asking to renegotiate and to come back and asking for some consideration and some 'lief, relief on the contract that they have. That's something that anybody and everybody would, would ask.

Secondly, I think because it is, the fact that we're going into our budget session right now, this is gonna be the time that we will really be able to tell what we could do, if anything. And I, that's why I'm thinkin' now we will, this would be the time to have the discussion, not after we go ahead and set our budget. And, if we're settin' our budget based on those fees that we decide to adjust, then we will be kinda, um, putting the cart...

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Okay.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** With all due sup'.., due respect, I support what you're stating but we have eno'.., we have, what, 2018 the contract expires?

MAYOR ALBURY: Mhmm.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** So we still have time to negotiate before that. We don't wanna wait 'til the last minute... I'm glad that you're having this discussion now. So we still have a whole 'nother year to start to hit.., to hit some, um...

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** Oh. I'm, I understood him to say that he wanted to.., hope.., he was hoping that we could renegotiate before the contract expires.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Commissioner Johnson?

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Well, I was just looking at the, the terms of the contract and it talked about what the Town would be paying us, paying the District for service when we started this back in 2009 and that the rem'.., the rate would remain in effect until September 30<sup>th</sup>. Thereafter, the rate shall be adjusted as provided in the Sections 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Then it went on to talk about the rate shall be automatically adjusted, without further action of the Town and the District based upon the following. So, it, it's not as if this process was not documented and the Town was not aware as to how the cost was going to effectuate or how the cost was going to affect your overall budget. So, we..., there was never any conversation, that I can see, beyond 2009 because this this, this document was actually memorialized in 2008. So, the City.., the Utilities District, as well as the Town of Mangonia, was clearly aware of what those costs were going to be.

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: Mhmm.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Right?

**MAYOR ALBURY:** Correct. However, [stammer], what does not.., what you won't find in the contract, however, are the conversations that we've had dating back to 2007.., I think 2006 or '7. Right. So, it's.., while the information is new and I can...

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** [Inaudible]

**MAYOR ALBURY:** ...appreciate, um, Chair Davis that you're just getting the information, it isn't just being presented to the City. It's been presented for almost 10 years now.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Right. So you can certainly appreciate the fact that I was elected March 29<sup>th</sup>...

**MAYOR ALBURY:** Yes.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...sworn in on the fourth, so I'm not privy to any previous conversations, I only have what's in the document...

MAYOR ALBURY: Correct. Mhmm.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...that sh'.., I'm, I'm not privy to conversations that talked about what potential changes or decreases could've been and, if there is nothing that, that memorializes any of those requests, we're basically starting, in my opinion, at ground zero. So, I support the notion of us having a work group to discuss it further to understand how it impacts us fiscally and what that really means for you.

**MAYOR ALBURY:** Oh, certainly. I'm sorry, [stammer], just to clarify, my specific response was that, what, what you won't find documented in a contract or conversations and meetings and all of that. That's what I mean, so.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Mhmm.

**MAYOR ALBURY:** Yes.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Of course.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** So, [stammer] you all suggest that you put together a committee to, uh, two or three people from, from our end to go along with Staff.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Right. And then we'll [inaudible].

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: So, let's um...

BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Chair?

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Yes, ma'am.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** We have Mr. Beaudet who can take a look at this. You know, we've extended the con'.., the contract.

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: Mhmm.

BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON: So he should be able to look at this and to provide some direction to us as well as we go into this conversation about what this

means to either to potentially release the 25% surcharge or decrease the rates or whatever it is that they're ultimately looking for us to do. I would think that we should take advantage of the expertise of Mr. Beaudet since we are...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Well this... Yeah. And I support that. Well, I hope that he would be, definitely looking at it considering it's going through our wa'... Cause he's, right now, is our acting director. Is that correct?

UNK: No.

**MR. B. BEAUDET:** I'm sorry, sir. I didn't understand your question.

[Chuckles and inaudible background comments]

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** I understand.

MR. B. BEAUDET: No. I think Ms. Johnson Davis is aware that, as director, I've been involved in...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** A lot of things.

MR. B. BEAUDET: ...hundreds of these agreements.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Right.

MR. B. BEAUDET: So, I would have no problem working with Mr. Sherman to...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Sherman, correct.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** [Inaudible]

MR. B. BEAUDET: ...help him out.

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: So, we can.., we have Sherman, Beaudet and two other

people.

BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON: You.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay. I'll sit with you.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Elected official.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** I'll sit with you, [stammer], ladies and gentlemen.

MAYOR ALBURY: And Mr. Chair...

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: [Inaudible]...

MAYOR ALBURY: Just...

CITY MANAGER JONES: We gotta advertise it because it's elected official/unelected

official.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Is the Board comfortable with that?

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Wait, what was that? Who's gonna be on it?

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Mr. Beaudet, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Jones and the Chair.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** I'm fine with that.

**BOARD MEMBER MILLER ANDERSON:** Yes.

**MAYOR ALBURY:** So, Mr. Chair, if I may just for clarification...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Yes, sir.

**MAYOR ALBURY:** ...so we have the proper takeaways. Now, the purpose of the meeting as you understand it would be to at least try and to get to something prior to the expiration of the contract?

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Yes. We just wanna.., I don't wanna do... Yes.

MAYOR ALBURY: Okay.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Yes.

MAYOR ALBURY: Because, again...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** I don't want nothing expiring. Let's, let's be clear on that.

**MAYOR ALBURY:** Okay.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** No, no.

**MAYOR ALBURY:** Right. Cause our stated position is prior to that but...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay.

**MAYOR ALBURY:** ...we're, we're at your...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Sure.

MAYOR ALBURY: ...pleasure, so.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** So, you and...

MAYOR ALBURY: Just for the record.

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: So, who'll be staying in touch with Ms. Jones office and

myself?

**MAYOR ALBURY:** The Town Manager.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Town Manager's...

MAYOR ALBURY: ...will, will...

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: Yeah. You two coordinate the schedule and we can go

from there.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** [Chuckle].

MAYOR ALBURY: Okay.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Thank you, Mayor.

**MAYOR ALBURY:** Thanks so much. We appreciate your time.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** Thank you, sir.

**MAYOR ALBURY:** Alrighty. Have a good evening.

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: Okay. Alright. Now we're gonna go down to public

comments at this time.

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**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** We have Ms. Mami Kisner then Ms. Bonnie Larson.

MS. M. KISNER: Good evening again...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Good evening.

**MS. M. KISNER:** ...Mr. Chair and Members of the Board. Again, thank you for your time and your energy. I think we're moving in the right direction. There has been some change. We have a long way to go but I want you to really think about the babies who are bathing in yellow water, if that is the case and the seniors who may drinking that yellow water.

As you know, the Utility District is the highest revenue generator for the City of Riviera Beach and you have every day workers who work in the Utility District who may not have the proper equipment. I would ask that you reevaluate the safety issues in the Utility District to make sure, and thank you Councilperson Johnson for hitting on that subject, to make sure they have the proper safety equipment and they are utilizing it and not sitting on people's desks when they are going down into these lift stations and other things that they have to do on their projects. So, safety should be first because these workers are the front line for the water for the residents of, uh, Riviera Beach. Also, great leadership shows that you are training and educating from within so that you can promote. And, if that has not been done, it should be done in the future and, if the leadership is not requiring that, that's why you may wanna look at putting your Utility director back under the Board because there are people who have been at the Utility District for 20 and 30 years. And you can't tell me that somebody on the front line every day should not be in a meeting every week, all of them, and should not be trained to have the proper certification. It's not their fault that they don't have the certification and the training. That should be offered by the leadership and it's quite evident that it's not being done.

And again, I wanna thank you for the changes that are being made. We do see some progress. I continue to pray f or all of you but think about those seniors and those children in our community who don't have a voice.

Thank you.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Thank you. Ms. Bonnie Larson.

MS. B. LARSON: Bonnie Larson. My comments are much the same. We have infants, a lot of infants in this City, young children, the elderly. Their immune systems are not as good as ours and who wants to drink yellow water or swim in a yellow pool? Now, I've heard hear tonight our water is excellent, I beg to differ with that. I'm bringing home car'..., crates and crates of water for humans and for our animals. They're not even drinking it. So, I don't wanna hear that our water is excellent, it's not. We can have as many reports as we want, spend as much money as we want but my question is, when are we gonna have water that's drinkable? Because this stuff's coming out of our water pipes right now, certainly is not. People have to water their yards with it too, what happens if there's too much chlorine in it? I heard that's a way of, um, there's a

word for it.., shocking the water. When, maybe you've had some fines or something and you put in, like, extra chlorine? Well, when we can't drink it, that's not good. And if hotels are putting up signs in their bathroom saying don't worry about the yellow water, what do you think those people are gonna go back up north and say? Florida's got algae, Florida's got Zika mosquitoes, now Riviera Beach has got yellow drinking water. We need our tourists and we need to provide for ourselves, the residents, also.

For clarification tonight, I'm not sure.., we talked about Mr. Giles in the Water Utility Department. It sounded like he was here then it sounded like he was not here. Is Mr. Giles, who was the assistant water director, is he let go, resigned or is he still here? I wasn't clear about that cause you kept talking about him in, in various ways but my big question is when are we gonna have water that's drinkable so we don't have to go out and buy crates and crates of water just to have something that we can swallow.

Thank you.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Thank you, Ms. Larson. That's the end of public comment. Are there any others that I may have overlooked? [Pause]. Thank you. Okay. We're done with the Agenda.

## STATEMENTS BY THE DISTRICT BOARD

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Any updates or anything from the City Manager?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** No. I gave you the update as it relates to the status of the recruitment. And just to answer Ms. Larson's question, Mr. Giles resigned. His last day of work was last Friday.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay. We're gonna start, any \_\_ Commissioner Pardo?

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Thank you. Can someone give me an update, not really me, the public who's watching, an update on the Lift Station on Park Avenue, please?

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Is that Lift Station 10? Or 50?

**WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT DAVIS:** Allen Davis, Water/Sewer Superintendent. Currently, the Lift Station project has just started. Uh, the contractor's just started to complete the project now. We have a completion date of around November., October or November.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Of this year?

WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT DAVIS: Yes. sir.

BOARD MEMBER PARDO: Okay. So, my question is, and I brought this to Staff several times, we've gone several weeks without anyone working on the site. The residents around there.., I, I did send the email to Staff last week. The residents are complaining about the stench coming out of the pipes, they're complaining about, um, zero progress happening. You know, three are people that live directly across the street from that Lift Station. I pass by that Lift Station several times a day and very rarely do I see anyone working there. We.., I brought this up at the retreat and you guys were deciding whether or not to file a lawsuit against them but, in the meantime, do we have someone.., have we reached out to another vendor to get that project moving?

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: Troy Perry. Ms. Pardo, I spoke with Mr. Rhoads today, Giles Rhoads, about this same issue because I did see the emails that were going backwards and forward about it and I asked him what was going on and, and I believe he said he thought that he pretty much got it under control with those issues that the citizens said as far as the smell, that type of thing. But he also told me that Close Construction was in the process of trying to get a new construction leader to, uh, to, to manage that project and that's, that was the issue. And I believe..., he also told me that they're, they're working together a little better. I guess they talked about it a little bit at the, um, at the retreat that we might have to file a lawsuit but he said it appears that Close Construction is coming together and they're trying to move forward on projects, you know, without having to go to that, that legal, um, that legal process. But he did tell me they're in the process of getting a new construction manager for that particular Lift Station.

**BOARD MEMBER PARDO:** Thank you.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** So, so are we within schedule on that? The original schedule? Are we, or are we...

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** I've talked to him...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** ...passed that schedule?

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: ...about the schedule and he said, if it's not on schedule, it'll

be close. He didn't...

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay.

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: ...he couldn't tell me exactly how many days you

might be over but...

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: Is that...

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** ....I did have that conversation with him today.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Is that Lift Station 10 or 50?

WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT DAVIS: That's Lift Station 10.

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: 10.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** So, what's..., and is, and is 50 on schedule as well?

WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT DAVIS: Well, Lift Station is, right now, is

ongoing construction now.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** For 50?

**WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT DAVIS:** For 50.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** And is that, that on, that on schedule?

**WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT DAVIS:** That's on schedule.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay. And that expec'.., expected time of the completion is?

WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT DAVIS: I don't have the exact date on

that one.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** And that's a different vendor we're using?

WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT DAVIS: That's the same, Close

Construction.

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** Same, same vendor. Same construction company.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Okay.

**WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT DAVIS:** Yes.

BOARD CHAIR DAVIS: Okay. So they are required to give... Okay. Any other

questions, comments? Commissioner Hubbard?

**BOARD MEMBER HUBBARD:** None.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Commissioner Johnson?

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** None.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Vice Chair Miller-Anderson?

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes. I had a question. Is there an update on that DEP Consent Order 15-0459 that we received via email? And I know there were some things that we supposed to be submitted by the 30<sup>th</sup>?

**WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT DAVIS:** Yes, ma'am. I'll have Mr. Beaudet give you an update. But we, we, we understand that you did receive the email and we were in the process of doing what we had to do and we were going to make the timeframe and we did. He'll give you an overview on that.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**MR. B. BEAUDET:** Everything is caught up on that. We've delivered them everything on schedule and I was not really happy with that email that sent because we had been working on that, we were still on schedule and it made it look, to you all, like we were not doing it. I had a little talk with them about that. And I said...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** And what'd he say?

MR. B. BEAUDET: ...'You know, if we're not doing our job, then have at it.'

BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

MR. B. BEAUDET: But when we're doing our job, don't do that.' So.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** What was the explanation for them sending it to us?

**MR. B. BEAUDET:** Um, she couldn't really give me an explanation. I, I, I think that they're, they were very concerned about our lack of responsiveness in the past.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Right. And I think that's probably why and the fact that we were not...

MR. B. BEAUDET: Right.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...privy to a lot of that stuff that was going on so I appreciate receiving the email. You know, um..., and I think, probably, as they see that we're, we're responding and we're, we're doing better, then they'll, you know, probably think that they don't have to but I enjoy know'.., knowing what's going on cause I don't wanna be in the dark. So...

MR. B. BEAUDET: Yes. ma'am.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yeah. I, I don't know that there's a reflection on you but it's the past, the way that it was set up before probably is why.

And the fact that we requested it, probably, because we were not aware of what was going on. So...

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: So, so...

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...it, it's fine.

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** So as of now, we're up to date and we're moving forward with that Consent Agend'.., the Consent Item.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. And ever'.., all that, you said, everything was met.

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: Yes, ma'am.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**FIRE CHIEF PERRY:** Mhmm. Friday, yes.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. That's it. Thanks.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Just very briefly. I'm just.., thanks, thank you to Staff for working really hard. But one thing I wanted to definitely, definitely drive is, that we have an opportunity to give other employees a opportunity, they're actually providing, they're doing the work on a day-to-day basis, I think it'll be great for them to receive ample amount of training to even vie for these other jobs, if they're qualified. I definitely don't wanna restrict anyone from position from being able to grow within the business. These are positions that we have to fill. These are not positions that we, we're creating so it's definitely.., take, keep that in mind.

FIRE CHIEF PERRY: One of the things I can say, as a manager, since I've been over there, I, I've, I've notice, when you start talking about positons and people wanting to move up, that's something we definitely need to try to sit down and, and, uh, and look into the bargaining contract because I believe there are co'.., some things you probably can do to look at it, for incentives to, to incentivize our employees to go back and get more education. But, I think we really need to talk about it so the Manager was, uh, agreed that we'll sit down and try to come up with a plan.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Yes.

## <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** With that being said, a motion to adjourn the meeting?

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS JOHNSON:** So moved.

**BOARD CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:** So moved.

UNK: Second.

**BOARD CHAIR DAVIS:** Properly moved and second. Meeting adjourned.

There being no further business, the meeting was duly adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

[End of video/audio]

**Public Comments and Other Speakers** 

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