

Lockwood TEDD Advisory Board Minutes
Wednesday, October 21, 2020 – 2:30 pm
Via Zoom

Board Members Present: Woody Woods, Terry Seiffert, Mike Ariztia, Nick Pancheau, Josh Starr, Jennifer Kondracki, John Ostlund

Board Member Absent: Frosty Erben, Pam Ask, Tim Miller, Jason Heath

Staff and Guests: Chris Kukulski (City), Becky Bey (KLJ), Matt Smith (KLJ), Dan Carter (Exxon), Scott Walker (Planning), Dianne Lehn (BSED), Thom MacLean (BSED)

1. Welcome and Introductions

Woody Woods called the meeting to order at 2:30.

2. Approval of Agenda

John Ostlund moved to approve the Agenda. Terry Seiffert seconded. Motion passed.

3. Approval of Minutes

Nick Pancheau moved to approve the minutes of the September 16th and October 13th meetings. Josh Starr seconded. Motion passed.

4. Updates.

A special meeting was conducted on October 13 to address the 10/9 draft of the proposed First Amendment to Wastewater Service Agreement. In that draft, the City included language that would make an the extension of Lockwood Water and Sewer District’s sewer boundary contingent on an interlocal agreement between the between the City and the County on land use along the City-County fringe. The Advisory Board agreed that such language should not be included in the First Amendment and decided to draft a letter to the Yellowstone County Commissioners stating their objection to that particular language. That language was removed from the document by the City. In its place, the County Commissioners drafted a letter to City Council proposing an interlocal agreement with the City to support the development of lands associated with the Inner Belt Loop.

The Advisory Board reviewed the First Amendment. There was discussion on Recital 6, quoted here:

“The District and City acknowledge that this amendment in no way obligates the City to provide access to its municipal water services. If in the future, the District

and City work together to provide municipal water services to the TEDD tract or any other tracts served by the District, it is the City's intent that all municipal water extension ordinances and rules in place at the time of the extension will be adhered to, including all rules pertaining to annexation.”

This recital causes some concern for Lockwood Water and Sewer District for two reasons: 1) referring to water, it is not directly related to the wastewater matter that the agreement addresses; and 2) the language “...or any other tracts served by the District...” appears to expose current LWSD customers.

City Council will review and decide on the First Amendment at their meeting Monday, October 26. If they pass it, the next step will be seeking approval from the Lockwood Water and Sewer Board to continue the process of extending its sewer district under the terms of the First Amendment. The next LWSD Board meeting is Tuesday, November 10, at 7 pm at the LWSD offices at 1644 Old Hardin Road.

5. Public Comment

None.

6. Adjourn

With no further business, Woody Woods adjourned the meeting at 2:48.

Next Meeting: November 18, 2020