

Prudence Island Water District

Minutes of meeting: October 14, 2006

Meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. Present were David Buffum, moderator; Patricia Richard, clerk; Phillip Brooks and Robert Hanson. Absent was Richard Brooks.

Approval of minutes: Motion by Phillip Brooks to approve the minutes of September 30, 2006, seconded by Mr. Hanson, approved unanimously.

Administrative: Ms. Richard asked that the annual calendar for 2007 be tabled until further notice.

Technical: Phillip Brooks and David Buffum said they would be doing well monitoring after the meeting.

Funding: Ms. Richard reported having filed the paperwork to have the USDA grant transferred to the district checking account.

Ms. Richard reported having received a letter from Portsmouth finance office confirming that the district had reported its expenditures in a timely fashion. She also spoke to Mike Tondra about CDBG and was told that the district was denied funding largely because of its authority to levy taxes. Mr. Tondra also told her that typically Portsmouth receives only 40% of its requests. She said that

this explains why Portsmouth was interested in having the district apply for funding.

Correspondence: Ms. Richard presented the board with a draft letter to Mr. Bacon representing the Bacon Family Trust declining to facilitate a change of the district boundaries at the legislative level. Motion to accept the draft as written by Phillip Brooks, seconded by Mr. Hanson, approved unanimously.

Ms. Richard reported receiving a letter from the Portsmouth town administrator stating that the town staff had an obligation to respond to all legitimate inquiries from town residents, and that no other responses were received to the district board's letter of September 30 regarding town official's interference in district affairs. Ms. Richard said that she had composed a reply but did not feel it would do any good to send it. Mr. Buffum and Mr. Brooks both indicated that the reply should be sent. Mr. Buffum moved to accept the reply as written, seconded by Mr. Brooks, approved unanimously. Ms. Richard presented the board with a cover letter to each town councilor regarding Portsmouth town administrator's response to the district board. Mr. Buffum moved to approve the correspondence as written, seconded by Mr. Brooks, approved unanimously.

Other business: No other business.

Meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Patricia Richard, Clerk