

COUNTY POLICY COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 27, 1995

MEMBERS

PRESENT: Chairman John Keefe
Commissioner Rollin Shaw
Commissioner Tom Bacote

OTHERS: Cliff Strassenburg
Danny Higgins
Bob Stanger
Lacy Williams
Mick Noland, PWC
Marsha Fogle
Press

Chairman Keefe called the meeting to order.

1. Discussion: Eastover Water Utility

Mr. Mick Noland of PWC stated he had received a copy of the feasibility report on the Eastover Water Utility. He indicated it was more of a conceptual plan and that there were some areas which had not been addressed, i.e., who will maintain the system, who will take care of the tap on's, who will be responsible for upgrade and expansion of the system, if needed. He said it appears there will be an adequate water supply, the question is, who will operate the system once in goes into the ground. Other questions posed by the committee are: if something goes wrong, would PWC take the system even though it is not built to their standards; and what would the cost ~~to be~~ ^{be to} build the system to PWC's standards?

Mr. Bob Stanger, County Engineer, will set up a meeting between PWC, county officials and ~~Steve~~ ^{Joe} Godwin to discuss some of these issues.

The Committee and Mick Noland noted the importance of looking at the whole picture of water extension in the county. The committee is most aware of the need of good water in this community; however, the concensus is to do it right the first time.

Cliff Strassenburg noted the importance of making contact with Farmers Home to confirm their commitment to the project, to see how they would feel if the county wanted to upgrade the system and how that might affect the grant. He said he believed that at some point the County will have to endorse the project.

The Committee noted the importance of clearing up all issues related to the Eastover Water Utility prior to the public hearing so the public can be accurately informed about the project.

It was noted there will be a community meeting in Eastover on September 30 regarding the proposed water utility.

Mr. Lacy Williams, Environmental Health, was asked at the last meeting to share with the Committee the priority sewer needs in the county. He relayed the

information to the committee. It appears that many of the problem areas will be addressed along with city annexation. It was noted the real problem areas are those areas in the county in which the public voted down the bond referendum several years ago. Mr. Williams was asked to prioritize a list of those areas in the county which are having water problems.

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