

**CITY OF KEY COLONY BEACH UTILITY BOARD  
SPECIAL MEETING  
MINUTES**

**Wednesday, August 2, 2017 – 2:00 p.m. @ City Hall**

**Call to Order, Roll Call:**

The special meeting of the Utility Board was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Chair of the Board John Dalton. *Answering to roll call was:* John Dalton, Steve Flood and Tom Harding (On the phone). Excused - Mike Alexander, Tom Difransico, Lin Walsh and Utility Clerk Blanca Kulig.

Also Present: Vice Mayor Ron Sutton, City Clerk Kathryn McCullough and Toni Appell.

**Chairs Report:**

**A. Swearing-in of New Member Toni Appell:**

New Board Member Toni Appeal was sworn in.

**B. Review bids received for the Stormwater 12th Street Project and make recommendation to the City Commission for award:**

Board Member Toni Appell stated that she currently serves on the Florida Keys Aqueduct Board (FKAA) with one of the bidders, Mr. Charley Toppino. However, this will not have any influence on her decision.

Board Member Tom Harding informed the Board that he has made an in-depth analysis of the funds available and incoming. There are adequate funds available for the proposal for \$321,637.00 or \$224,518.00. The proposal for \$553,000.00 would be marginal for the funds that will be available.

Chairman John Dalton stated, based on past experiences with Slazar Construction & Plumbing he does not recommend them for this project. Vice Chair Steve Flood concurred with Chairman Dalton. He has also had the opportunity to work with Slazar and he will not recommend them for the project.

City Administrator Chris Moonis acknowledged the input from Chair Dalton and Vice Chair Flood. He asked the Board if a project manager was assigned to oversee the daily operations of the project would they reconsider their recommendation? Mr. Moonis stated that the savings to the City would be substantial even after bringing on board a project manager.

Chair Dalton and Vice Chair Flood stated they would not change their recommendation. The main concern is Slazar's past work performance and the potential for costly errors. Vice Chair Flood pointed out the two licenses the contractor currently holds are no more

than a couple of years old. If there are any complaints against this contractor they would not have shown up on their record yet.

City Administrator Chris Moonis recommended to the Board, a rejection of the lowest bid should include a valid reason. This information will help the City Commissioners understand the Utility Board's recommendation.

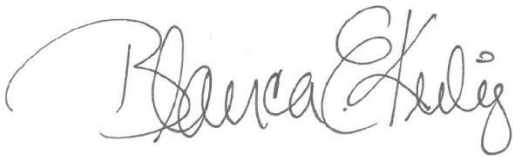
Board Member Tom Harding called for a motion. He stated the justification behind the decision is based on the contractor qualifications of Charley Toppino, company history, years in business and positive feedback from the community regarding his work performance.

**Motion** – Moved by Board Member Tom Harding seconded by Chair John Dalton, to accept the bid submitted by Charlie Toppino & Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$321,637.00 based on his qualifications, years in business and positive feedback from prior stormwater projects.

**On the Motion:** Roll Call Vote. Unanimous Approval.

**The meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Blanca E. Kulig". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name of the signatory.

Blanca E. Kulig, Utility Clerk

\*\*\* Note: A mechanical recording has been made of the meeting of which these minutes are a part, and a copy is on file in the office of the Utility Clerk, as a public record. \*\*\*