South Toledo Bend Water District



3260 Little Flock Road • Many, LA. 71449



Minutes of South Toledo Bend Water Board August 12, 2021

Board Members Present: Malcolm Franks, Tim Collins, Anna Ferguson, Michael Walker

Absent: Rodney DeRouen

Others Present: Rick Leonard (superintendent), Stephen Steinke, Mike Pitt, Shane Sloane

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Malcolm Franks. A prayer was said, the roll was called and there was a quorum to conduct business.

A motion to adopt the agenda as presented was made by Tim Collins, 2nd by Anna Ferguson, motion passed.

No public was present.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. The minutes of the July 1st meeting were brought to the floor for approval. A motion to adopt the minutes of the July meeting was made by Tim Collins, 2nd by Anna Ferguson, motion passed.
- 2. The treasurer's report for July was presented by Anna Ferguson. Checks written for the month of July were #014921thru #014938. Board members were presented with a bank balance sheet. A motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented was made by Tim Collins, 2nd by Mike Walker, motion passed.
- 3. A motion to authorize payment of the bills was made by Tim Collins, 2nd by Mike Walker, motion passed.
- 4. Insurance renewal: Shane Sloane, with Stiel Insurance, presented the quote for the insurance renewal (via phone). The members were presented with a comparison sheet from last year. A motion was made by Mike Walker that we accept the quotation to renew the insurance as offered with Glatfelter, with the recommendation that we pay the premium in full, 2nd by Anna Ferguson, all agreed, motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Budget review: Stephen Steinke (Steinke & Assoc.) presented the quarterly report to the board. He also presented the 2021-2022 preliminary budget for review. A motion was made by Mike Walker to accept the proposed budget as presented and for public review, 2nd by Tim Collins, all agreed, motion passed unanimously. Malcolm signed the engagement letter with Steinke & Associates. Mr. Steinke will put the notice of the budget in the newspaper for publication next week.
- 6. Esto water plant rebuild update: All paperwork has been signed off on it. The bonds have been made. Dennis Downs has been given the go ahead.
- 7. Well project update: Every document that needed to be completed has been done. On the 25th of August, at 10:30 am, LDH engineer, Meyers & Associates, Continental Drilling & myself will meet here to go over the documents and I will be required to sign off on it. Continental will be given the go ahead to start clearing the property and get it ready. They have a time frame that they have to work under.
- 8. Equipment: The gooseneck trailer was ordered on July 7th at a cost of \$7061.25. We don't know when it will arrive. Malcolm would like an invoice before September 30th as he would like to put it in this year's current budget.
- 9. Commissioner review: Mr. Rodney DeRouen has been on the board since 2008. He is the longest, most tenured commissioner on this board. He has diligently served on this board for over 13 years. His family has offered up his resignation due to health reasons. Tonight, we want to both recognize his contribution to the water system and accept

the resignation. We need someone to fill that position and we reached out to Mr. Mike Pitt and asked him to come out and sit in on this meeting. Malcolm asked Mr. Pitt if he would consider serving as a commissioner on the board. Mr. Pitt agreed. Malcolm asked each member for their thoughts. All members said they would welcome him to the board. A motion was made by Anna Ferguson that we accept the resignation of Rodney DeRouen and accept the recommendation to have Mr. Mike Pitt added to the board in Rodney DeRouen's place, 2nd by Tim Collins, all agreed, motion passed unanimously. The voting was as follows: Ayes 4 Nays 0 Abstained 0. Malcolm asked Rick to make sure the proper paperwork was sent over to the police jury and to contact Mr. McCormic to let him know that there is a change coming.

- 10. Rick Leonard presented the Superintendent's report for July 2021 to the Board:
 - All monthly State reports and samples sent to LADHH.
 - For the month of July, the plant processed 12,670,000 gals of water @ an average of 408,709 gals. per day and shipped out 12,587,967 gals. of water @ an averaging of 406,063 gals. per day
 - Plant usage for production (chlorine, caustic, & polymer carrier waters) estimated @ 50,000 gallons.
 - Plant usage for backwashing was 82,033 gallons.
 - GMC truck

A motion to accept the superintendent's monthly report was made by Mike Walker, 2nd by Tim Collins, motion passed.

- 11. Announcements/Comments: The September board meeting will be moved to September 2nd.
- 12. There was no other business and a motion to adjourn was made by Mike Walker, 2nd by Tim Collins, motion passed.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: <u>Thursday, September 2, 2021 AT 5:30 PM</u> South Toledo Bend Water Plant – 3260 Little Flock Road, Many, LA 71449 Prepared by: Betty Maupin – Administrative Assistant

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