#### WEST MADISON UTILITY DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING JUNE 13, 2023

**BE IT REMEMBERED** that the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the West Madison Utility District was duly convened, held, and conducted on June 13, 2023, in the Kearney Park Community Center at 443 Livingston Vernon Road, Flora MS, as follows to wit:

The President of the Board, Larry Bennett, called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The following members were present: Commissioner Larry Bennett, Commissioner Scott Colson, Commissioner Carolyn Andrew, Commissioner Cordell Spires, and Commissioner Joyce Monroe.

Commissioner Bennett opened the meeting with a prayer. President Bennett asked for a motion to accept and approve the following: Acknowledgement and Acceptance of EOM RVS Report of the May 2023. Acceptance and Approval of the May 2023 Minutes. Acceptance of April 2023 End of Month Financials. Commissioner Colson made a motion of Acceptance and Approval and Commissioner Andrew seconded.

### **Customers' concerns**

The following customers were present to address the board: Ms. Lourise Curtis at 108 Hawkins Road, and Mr. Willie Rosell at 3002 Center Street both in Flora, MS.

Mrs. Curtis is requesting water service on behalf of her parents who would be placing a mobile home at the end of Pecan Street in the Height. Ms. Curtis was given an estimate of \$11,000 to access water. She mentioned Letitia is assisting her in negotiating with the board to get water. There was a discussion in which the board presented her with an offer to get a 2-inch line rather than 4-inch line as a new estimate of \$7,000.00. A question was asked about the potential of additional customers connecting to the line. Operator K.T. Newman responded that it was a one-family property. Ms. Curtis mentioned that she would be relocating to assist her parents. Commissioner Andrew asked would the 2-inch line be adequate to route service to the home and K.T. responded yes. Ms. Curtis asked the board whether she could do a payment plan. President Bennett made a final reply that the board would have to discuss further.

Mr. Rosell addressed the board with a request to increase his pay in cutting the grass at the lagoon. Mr. Rosell stated when he began cutting the grass, no money was available. He stated he cuts the grass at the well, water tower on the hill near Southland Containers, at the lagoon and the tank near the Woodlands. Mr. Rosell is requesting an additional \$150.00 (\$75.00 every two weeks) for cutting the grass at the lagoon. President Bennett final reply was the board will discuss it further.

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There was a discussion immediately after and it was moved and seconded that Mr. Rosell would get the increase of \$150.00 (total of \$750.00 monthly) in his salary to cut grass at the lagoon.

# Engineer's Report

-Morgan Sims

- The expansion of the West Madison Utility Area is with Attorney Herring who has submitted the application.
- Block Grant Madison County has submitted.
- Grant Administrator mentioned that WMUD might qualify for a grant with the Delta Regional Authority
- The remaining streets for Sanitary sewers repair in the Height are Magnavox, Center, and Madison..

# **Operator's Report**

-K.T. Newman

Provided handout of his report to all board members.

There was a discussion concerning a letter from Aspen Law Group representing Southland Containers dated May 23, 2023. K.T. mentioned the timeline does not match. As of today, everything is back to its original condition. Commissioner Colson and President Bennett mentioned that a copy of the letter should be sent to Attorney Herring. Commissioner Andrew asked whether they were asking for anything extra. President Bennett says he will scan the letter and forward to Attorney Herring.

Madison Grant received a grant to upgrade parks. The upgrade includes adding a restroom facility to the Bank Estes Park in the Height. This would require a water line. There was a discussion as to who would get the water bill and it was concluded Madison County Parks and Recreation.

- Water line on Windy Hill Drive is near completion.
- Have not heard from customer Mr. Rice
- Customer Confident Report has been placed on the website.

Operator Newman requested that WMUD provide customer estimates. President Bennett asked that a file be set up for quotes for service.

Commissioner Andrews states she attempted to contact Mr. Jordan concerning cleaning the floors at the center and he has not got back wit her.

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# **Executive Session.**

None

## Old Business

Who:	What:	Status
None		

## New Business

Who:	What:
None	

Commissioner Colson made a motion to adjourn, and the rest of the board seconded.

Minutes by Commissioner Joyce Monroe