

**WEST MADISON UTILITY DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING DATED
July 9, 2019**

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 July 9, 2019, in the Kearney Park Community Center at 443 Livingston Vernon Road, Flora MS, as follows to wit:

The President of the Board, Larry Bennett, presided and called the meeting to order. The following members were present:

Commissioner Larry Bennett
Commissioner Evelyn Brown
Commissioner Scott Colson
Commissioner Letitia Reeves
Commissioner Valencia Buggs

The Board President announced that the members of the Board present constituted a quorum and declared the meeting duly convened. Commissioner Brown opened the meeting with a prayer.

RE: Approval of the July 14, 2019 Agenda:

Commissioner Colson motioned and Commissioner Buggs second to approve the Agenda for the West Madison Utility District. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Commissioner Scott Colson Aye
Commissioner Larry Bennett Aye
Commissioner Letitia Reeves Aye
Commissioner Valencia Buggs Aye
Commissioner Evelyn Brown Aye

The matter carried unanimously and the Agenda for the July 9, 2019, meeting is hereby approved.

RE: APPROVAL OF AGENDA CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioner Colson motioned to approve the Consent Agenda, Commissioner Brown second he motion. All Commissioners voted "Aye" and the consent items listed as follows to wit:

4. Acknowledgement and Acceptance of EOM RVS Report for May, 2019 and June, 2019
5. Acknowledgement and Acceptance of the April 30, 2019 and May 31, 2019 Financial Reports
6. Acceptance of the May 14, 2019 Minutes
7. Update of Policies and Procedures Manual removing item (3) under New Customers.
8. Approval of purchase of jetting trailer per Board Agreement.
9. Approval to allow Kitchen Tune-Up to repair the kitchen cabinets at the Community Center.
10. Approval to allow C-Spire to proceed with plans to install antenna(s) on elevated water tank at no charge to enable communication for the Kearney Park Community.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

NOTE: There was no Board meeting in June, 2019

Customers: There are no customers who have requested to be on the agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. American Tank Maintenance proposal
2. Bids Regarding Work under SRL.
3. Jetting Trailer negotiations.
4. Town of Flora Sewer Issues
5. Engineer's Report - given in Executive Session due to issues relating to bids, etc.

Executive Session was adjourned and Board was returned to regular session.

Upon returning to regular session, Commissioner Colson made a motion to reject all bids proposals for the WMUD SRL projects, (three bids for the water tower and two bids for the water pipes), Commissioner Reeves second. A letter would be sent to SRA notifying them of the changes that WMUD would need to make in order to stay within budget. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Commissioner Scott Colson Aye
Commissioner Larry Bennett Aye
Commissioner Letitia Reeves Aye
Commissioner Valencia Buggs Aye
Commissioner Evelyn Brown Aye

Commissioner Reeves posed the question what will be our next step? Commissioner Bennett said we should first revamp our criteria since we now know that the water tank does not need sandblasting, we don't have to have a 24 inch hatch and we don't have to include a gate valve. For now we will table the conversation and

Commissioner Reeves will talk with Allan Crosswhite and Jim Herring before moving forward and she will send an email if a work-session is needed.

Operator's Report

All the sample results submitted in May and June passed the bacteriological standards as established by the Health Department. There are no new issues to report at the lagoon. Collections and cut-offs are being followed according to the board policy. Work orders are being completed in a timely manner.

There are two other issues that need to be discussed and both are on Harris Road. A few months back Sammy Brown and his son spoke to the Board and discussed a renter that we had trouble with cutting the water off and on. The customer was Harmony Riley who has a water bill of \$1,300.00 and she does not have any water and has not had any for months. What was not known is that house is a duplex with an upstairs and a downstairs. The upstairs was rented to a new tenant who came in and paid the tap fee. Once it was realized that there was only one meter we requested that the new tenant come back and pick up his deposit, which he has refused to do. Both the upstairs and downstairs tenant do not have water.

The next issue on Harris Road is a customer who lives about 500 feet from where our water line is. KT said the new customer was going to pay the appropriate fees of WMUD and KT said he paid him to run his water line the rest of the way. KT told him that a new project bids in a few days a new water line would come by his house and if he would just wait then he would not have to pay anything. Once the bids came in way more than what we expected. To say the least, "I may be in a bit of a pickle", but for the time being he will hold off on getting water to him.

The new sewer jetter purchase has been made and for the time being it is being housed at KT's work yard. A metal building on concrete slab is needed for jetter storage and supplies. The Board discussed allowing K.T. to use the jetter on other districts he managed as Operator and paying a fee back to WMUD to help offset the purchase price of the jetter. Scott Colson and K.T. were to negotiate an amendable charge per usage and get back to the Board. See attached list for new meter installations and purchase order report.

Commissioner Bennett asked if there was no other business to discuss a motion to adjourn could be made. Commissioner Colson motion to adjourn meeting and Commissioner Buggs second. All present voted "aye" and the meeting was adjourned.