

**WEST MADISON UTILITY DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING DATED
AUGUST 13, 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 August 13, 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 at 6:04 p.m. The following members were present:

Commissioner Larry Bennett
Commissioner Valencia Buggs
Commissioner Scott Colson

The following members were absent:

Commissioner Letitia Reeves
Commissioner Evelyn Brown

The Board President announced that the members of the Board present constituted a quorum and declared the meeting duly convened.

Commissioner Bennett opened the meeting with a prayer.

RE: Approval of the August 13, 2019 Agenda:

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

Commissioner Larry Bennett	Aye
Commissioner Scott Colson	Aye
Commissioner Valencia Buggs	Aye

The matter carried unanimously and the Agenda for the August 13, 2019, meeting is hereby approved.

RE: Consent Items:

Commissioner Colson motioned to approve the consent agenda and Commissioner Buggs seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted "Aye" and the consent items listed as follows were approved:

4. Acknowledgement and Acceptance of EOM RVS Report for July 2019
5. Acknowledgement and Acceptance of the June 30, 2019 Financial Report
6. Acceptance of the July 9, 2019 Minutes

RE: Flora Library's Book Shelf/Box:

Dee Export arrived at approximately 6:12 p.m. to discuss a proposal to store an external book box outside at 443 Livingston Vernon Road. Flora Library will install a bookshelf in which a resident or any citizen is able to take a book for reading and place a book inside for other someone else to read.

Commissioner Colson motioned to approve the installation of the bookshelf outside and Commissioner Buggs seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted "Aye" to have Flora Library install an external bookshelf outside in which they will maintain themselves.

RE: Engineer's Report

Morgan Sims with Engineering Service informed the Board that there are SRF funds available but WMUD will have to go through another credit check to see if and how much WMUD qualifies for again.

Mr. Sims also stated that WMUD may not get better numbers/amounts in regard to the tank bids. He stated that the earliest WMUD can bid will be after 30 days of being listed.

Mr. Sims addressed the Board about the Water System Improvement Rebid process and provided a preliminary opinion of probable cost. In his presentation speech, he noted that Contract I was for the tank without sandblasting and Contract II was for the Magnolia Heights Area Only. Mr. Sims and Mr. Newman will work closely on revamping the specs again. Commissioner Bennett stated that he would like to see this process happen as soon as possible; do not delay it any longer because the customers are waiting to see improvements.

RE: Operator's Report:

K. T. Newman informed the Board about a letter he received from Mississippi State Department of Health in regard to the original date to have the tank done. Mr. Newman gave Morgan Sims a copy of the letter for him to complete.

The July repair report sent in was for half of the month per K.T. Newman. Commissioner Bennett was trying to pinpoint if they repair billings have decreased any is the reason that Mr. Newman made that statement.

Mr. Newman stated that CSpire wants to use the contractors that gets the bid to install their equipment as well.

Mr. Newman provided three quotes for the Well/Tank controls in which the board agreed upon one. Commissioner Bennett motioned to approve the quote from Luckett Pump & Well Service, Inc in the amount of \$9,975.03 and Commissioner Buggs seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted "Aye" for Luckett Pump & Well Service, Inc.

K.T. mentioned that Chip Estes went from initially stating he would build roughly 50 houses to approximately 5 or 6 houses on allocated land in the West

Madison Area. Mr. Newman will get with Mr. Estes to let him know the size of pipes that will be needed for such development.

Other items were covered by K. T. Newman per his list presented to the Board.

RE: Customers

There were no customers on the agenda, but Justin Palmer showed up at 6:14 p.m. to discuss his water bill.

Mr. Palmer, account 165 at 121 Bradshaw Road, stated that there was no way he could have used 25,000 gallons of water in one month. KT Newman addressed him with an explanation of how his water usage is consumed given he shares usage with his neighbor. Mr. Newman deducts what his neighbor's meter read and Mr. Palmer is billed for the remaining usage. Mr. Palmer was not happy about this explanation. Mr. Newman stated he noticed the increase in usage before the bill went out and took it upon himself to reread the meter and the results were still the same.

Re: Executive Session

Commissioner Bennett stated that since there were no customers, West Madison Utility District would enter into executive session to discuss SRL, bids and the communication system between the well and tank update at approximately 6:09 p.m.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Commissioner Bennett stated that if there was nothing further to discuss, a motion to adjourn can be made. Commissioner Colson motioned and Commissioner Buggs seconded to adjourn the meeting. All present voted "aye" and the meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.