

WEST MADISON UTILITY DISTRICT BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 18, 2024

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 18, 2024, 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 Carolyn Andrews, Commissioner Scott Colson, Commissioner Cordell Spires, and Commissioner Joyce Monroe.

Commissioner Bennett opened the meeting with a prayer. President Bennett asked for a RVS Report for April 2024. Acceptance and Approval of the April 2024 Minutes. Acceptance of February End of Month Financials. The board did not meet in the month of May. Commissioner Colson made a motion of Acceptance and Approval and Commissioner Spires seconded.

Commissioner Andrews asked questions concerning fees paid to Mr. Herring and Morgan as well as KT and Letitia's invoice. President Bennett responded that Mr. Herring and Morgan were asked not to come to meetings unless necessary. Morgan replied that when he sends an invoice to WMUD, it is for anything he does. Sometimes he has to step in and respond to a customer about an issue. He also states he provides assistance to Mr. Herring on some issues. Morgan stated further that certain things he has to do are on an as needed basis. Commissioner Andrews stated that was the answer to her questions based on looking at the bills.

Customer Concerns:

There were no customers present to address the board.

Engineer's Report

-Morgan Sims

Provided handout of his report to be filed.

- Jim Herring is trying to push through the issue with the Public Service Commissioner.
- The legislature did not pass the bill (SB 3063) for \$550,000 Madison County was expecting (see copy of email string with Greg Higginbotham and Morgan Sims).
- Two sewer lines replaced on Norris and Compress Street.
- Morgan explained the breakdown of the grant. West Madison will not have a contract with Waggoner. We will have a MOU.
- We will have to coordinate with Carl Banks.

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President Bennet asked who oversees Waggoner. Morgan replied he did not know. Morgan states an analysis was done 4 years ago to determine cost estimate for sewer rehab and the work was given to Waggoner. The four million dollars is funding that analysis. Commissioner Andrews asked whether the four million is going to fix the sewer. Engineer Sims replied to Commissioner Andrews no. It will be repaired up to the lagoon. Commissioner Spires made a comment that Beatty Bluff is having problems too.

Operator's Report

-K.T. Newman

- Provided handout of his report to all board members.
- Lead and copper rule Service Line Inventory – Deadline October 16, 2024
- Consumer Confidence Report – July 1, 2024. This report has been completed and is on the website.
- Bypass pump at the lagoon. The fuel line was certified; will fix on 6/19/2024.
- Both wells and the emergency generator continue to operate normally.
- Updates on daily water production – daily water increased to 150,000 gallons however it has dropped to normal as of today 6/18/2024.
- Jetter report- everything is working fine.
- P.O. report provided for file.

Customer is complaining that WMUD sewer is emptying on his property due to a damaged sewer line. All WMUD sewer goes to Pecan Street through a 15-inch sewer line. It has been repaired twice. Last repair was 200 ft of 15-inch line. President Bennet asked does WMUD has an easement for the property in question? President asked the board for a motion to talk to Mr. Herring to establish a letter of understanding for the basis of establishing WMUD rights.

A motion was made to go into executive session.

A motion was made to come out of executive session.

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Minutes by Commissioner Joyce Monroe