

**Waterworks** District No. 2, Parish of Beauregard

**MINUTES**

*The Board of Commissioners, governing authority of Waterworks District No. Two (2) of the Parish of Beauregard, Louisiana, met in an open and public session at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 13, 2023, at the regular meeting place of said Board, 9252 Hwy 27, Singer, Louisiana.*

*Jerry Cooley, President of the Board of Commissioners called the meeting to order and on roll call, the following members being present: **Jerry Cooley, Richelle Bowman, Bill White, and Carol Johnson***

**Absent:** Lisa Gearen

**Others Present:** Eric Vige-Acting Designated Authority

**Other Absent:** Mathieu Rose-Maintenance Supervisor

**Public Participation:** *There was no one in attendance for public participation*

**Approval of the Minutes and Financial Reports:**

*Bill White, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carol Johnson, moved to adopt the Minutes of the February 13, 2023 meeting and to forego the reading thereof, and to adopt the financial reports as written for February 2023, motion carried without opposition.*

**Payment authorization:**

*Richelle Bowman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill White, moved to pay all accounts payable for March 2023, the motion carried without opposition.*

**Amendments to the Agenda:** *Bill White, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Richelle Bowman, moved to add to the Agenda the cost of a New Service Tap with a state highway bore, the motion carried without opposition.*

**Unfinished Business:**

*The Board discussed the temporary motor on the Well in Fields. Griner emailed and stated that the order for the permanent Well was submitted, but the company failed to process the motor. They are trying to locate another permanent motor, but the delivery time is questionable.*

**New Business:**

- 1. The Board discussed** the railroad company, W.T. Byler & Company would like to get dig a Retention Pond on the District's property to have access to the dirt for a project on the railroad tracks.

*The request was denied by the Board of Commissioners because of government regulations, and parts of the property being wetland.*

- 2. The Board discussed** the ABB Well Flow Meter that was purchased sometime last year to replace the Neptune Compound Meters that monitors the water usage to the Phelps Prison. After gathering information from the company that supplied the Well Flow Meter, Neptune, and Softwater billing, the ABB Flow meter will not work in place of the present Compound Meter. The Flow Meter was designed for a Well, and is not compatible for the Distribution side of the system. The Board agreed to remain with the present compound meter, until further

*investigation could be done on replacing the Compound meters with an updated version for the distribution side of the Phelps Prison.*

*The company that sold the meter will see what they can do to help with moving the flow meter, or it may be used as a spare part for one of the Wells.*

**Maintenance Report: Eric Vige**

- 1.) *A quote for tools and supplies were as follows:*
  - a.) *Rural Pipe and Supplies-----\$10,268.42*
  - b.) *Ferguson-----\$14,053.93*

**Bill White, 2<sup>nd</sup>** *by Caroll Johnson, moved to purchase Tools and Supplies from Rural Pipe and Supplies in the amount of \$10,268.42, the motion carried without opposition.*

- 2.) *Safety Trench Box as follows:*
  - a.) *Badger Box-----\$ 6, 279.00*
  - b.) *Nation Trench---\$11,308.18*

*Eric Vige describe a process of Step Cutting that he uses in lieu of a Safety Trench Box, and would be willing to train the maintenance crew.*

**Richelle Bowman, 2<sup>nd</sup>** *by Bill White, moved to table the purchase of the Safety Trench box for excavation during water main repairs, and agreed for Eric Vige to train on Step Cutting for safety procedures, the motion carried without opposition.*

**Eric Vige** *discussed the leak on Hwy 27 by the railroad tracks at Stuber Curve and his ideas on repairing the water main, and it would call for a Precautionary Boil Advisory.*

**New Business:**

*The Board discussed the new meter set off of Hwy 27, DeQuincy, with the state road bore costing \$2,600.00. The Board further discussed revisiting the site to see if there is an alternative route that could be used instead of the state highway road bore, and to go that route. If, after revisiting the site and there was no alternative path, then the state road bore is approved for the \$2,600.00 to set the new meter.*

**Adjournment:**

*There being no further business, upon a motion by Richelle Bowman 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill White, the meeting was adjourned, the motion carried without opposition.*

**I DO HEREBY CERTIFY** *that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the business meeting held on Monday, March 13, 2023 at the regular public meeting place of said Board at 9252 Hwy 27, Singer, Louisiana.*



Paula Rose-District Secretary



Jerry Cooley-Board President