

**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 special public session at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 14, 2024, at the regular meeting place of said Board, 9252 Hwy 27, Singer, LA.*

**Bill White**-Vice President of the Board of Commissioners called the meeting to order and on roll call, the following members being present: **Bill White, Richelle Bowman, Caroll Johnson, and Lisa Gearen**

**Absent:** Jerry Cooley

**Other Absent:** Mathieu Rose-Operations

**Public Participation:** There was no one present for public participation

**Lisa Gearen**, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Caroll Johnson, moved to adopt the Minutes, and all financial reports as written for September 2024, the motion carried without opposition.

**Lisa Gearen**, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Caroll Johnson, moved to approve all accounts payable for October 2024, and the motion carried without opposition.

**Unfinished Business:**

The Board discuss the re-assessed Ad Valorem tax millage at 19.170 for this year, and agreed to rescinded the adoption of last year's Mills of 17.450.

**Lisa Gearen**, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Richelle Bowman, moved to rescinded the previously adopted Tax Mills of 17.450, and re-adopt the Ad Valorem Tax Mills at 19.170. The tax Ad Valorem of 19.170 Mills was adopted and passed without opposition.

Yeas: 4 Bill White, Lisa Gearen, Richelle Bowman, and Caroll Johnson  
Nays: 0  
Abstain: 0  
Absent: Jerry Cooley

**New Business:**

The Secretary (in the absence of Mathieu Rose) discussed the request for a change order in the Water Sector Program for Phelps Booster Station as follows:

- a) To install an \*' flow meter, and bring it out of the pit. **\$22,405.24**
- b) Remove the existing 8" Teee under the existing driveway, and replace it with a 90-degree bend, and install a 6" Fire Hydrant at the Fields Booster Station for fire protection. **\$14,373.76**
- c) Womack has begun the rehab of the Phelps Booster Station.

The Secretary discussed that the Lead and Copper Inventory list has been submitted for Singer and Junction, and it has been posted Singer's website, and Junction posted on their Facebook page.

*Maintenance Report: Paula Rose (Mathieu)*

*a) She gave an overview for the month of October as follows:*

- 1.) 30 workorders, Locates and 302 meters entered into Ziptility*
- 2.) Installed 1 new service*
- 3.) N Smokey Cove project is approximately 95% completed, the only remaining part is to tie in at Hwy 110/N Smokey Cove.*
- 4.) Hwy 27/Phelps 8" water main was completed with the help of Eric Vige-WWD7*
- 5.) Repaired a leak on Snyder Road, Buddy Cooper, and Hargrove-Hwy 389*
- 6.) Still waiting on the permit to begin Mr. Roberts Road*
- 7.) Robert Clark Road is still pending on the road being finished by the customers, and enough room for us to move the water main.*

***Richelle Bowman**, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lisa Gearen moved to approve Allphase Construction to repair the water main on Cooper Road, and to assist in water main repairs until the system returns to full staff, and the motion carried without opposition.*

***The Secretary** discussed with the Board the safety hazards of the continued repair of the water main on the South end of Cooper Road, because the water main is in the middle of the road in that area.*

*The Board agreed to look into replacing and relocating the water main from a 2" to a 6" at the intersection of Coward Road and Cooper Road ending at Hwy 12.*

***The Board** discussed theft of utilities and the recourse they had in bringing charges against those committing the crimes. It was agreed that Paula would get into touch with the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, and the Beauregard Parish Sheriff's Office to come to some type of arrangement.*

***Lisa Gearen**, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Caroll Johnson moved to enter into an executive session to discuss personnel. Richelle Bowman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lisa Gearen, moved to come out of the executive session, and return to normal business. The motion carried without opposition.*

***Richelle Bowman** discussed purchasing a type of shoe that would be safer for the men, and it was agreed upon by the Board to research the Aquatic shoes, and purchase them, if they will benefit the crew.*

***The Board** discussed Facebook courtesy information verses required information notices for water outages, and Precautionary Boil Advisory. They further discussed doing away with Facebook and posting on the website only.*

**Adjournment:**

*There being no further business, upon a motion by Lisa Gearen, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Caroll Johnson, 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, September 25, 2024, at the regular public meeting place of said Board at 9252 Hwy 27, Singer, Louisiana.*

*Paula Rose*

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Paula Rose-District Secretary/Treasurer

*Jerry Cooley*

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Jerry Cooley, President