

Walnut Creek Special Utility District

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Minutes for Walnut Creek SUD Board of Directors Regular Meeting May 15, 2023

Directors Present: Mike Gilley, Al Garrett, Beth Correll, Jim Cox, and Frank Henderson

General Manager: Doug Carothers

Employees: James Blackwood, Denise Taylor, Perry Day, and James Stevens

Others Present: Attorney George Staples and Engineer Bill Lohrke

The meeting was called to order by Mike Gilley, at 9:00 A.M. noting the agenda was posted in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Local Government Code. Quorum was established. The meeting was held at the District's office located at 1155 W Highway 199 Springtown, Texas. The invocation was given by Al Garrett. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Beth Correll.

Open Forum - No participation.

Consent Agenda – Jim Cox requested to add a new report for the top 10 delinquent water accounts. Al Garrett moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Seconded by Frank Henderson. Motion carried 5-0.

General Session:

- A. Accept the FY 2022 Audit report. Frank Henderson moved to accept the FY 2022 Audit report. Seconded by Al Garrett. Motion carried 5-0.
- B. Engineer's project report Bill Lohrke updated the board on the status of the current projects.
 - a. Parker County won't allow open cuts so the 10" and 16" lines will have to have bores which will increase the costs.
 - b. The cost increase for the 16" line will be \$212,000 due to the bore and having to bore under three creeks.
 - c. The Timco cost was reduced by \$158,000 due to a change in the cross-country route with a 15' easement.
 - d. Partagas tank project waiting on Phoenix Fabricators to mobilize equipment to the site. Bill is calling regularly.
 - e. TCEQ bond application process continues.
 - f. New water plant on Lake Bridgeport met with TRWD. An alternate solution might be the 96" East Texas pipeline.
- C. Legal and professional reports None.

General Manager Report

- A. Update on work conducted since previous meeting.
 - a. 22 new taps
 - b. Six water leaks
 - c. Calhoun Bend development is open.
 - d. Twenty work orders a day.
 - e. Issues with Silver Sage Farms water was turned off on Friday, May 12th.
 - f. Acadia continues to put pipes in the ground.
 - g. A new meat packing plant is planned for Keeter Road with 6" tap and 4" meter.
 - h. Arbor Oaks is beginning, and we will install the water lines.
- B. Update on Construction Projects covered above.
- C. Water Treatment Plant new filter status
 - a. Project is waiting for the bond application to be approved to move forward.
- D. Meter Project Status
 - a. James Stevens reported that Diehl meters were reading at 90% and Census meters were at 34%.
 - b. 400 MIUs have been installed since April.

Executive Session

Mike Gilley opened the Executive Session at 9:40 A.M.

The Board reserves the right to enter closed or executive session at any time during this meeting to discuss any of the matters, to the extent authorized by the Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 in accordance with Tex.Gov.t Code Ann. Chapter 551, Subchapter D.

- 1. Pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), the Board will meet in Executive Session for consultation with Attorney.
- 2. Pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Section 551.074, the Board will meet in Executive Session to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of an employee, General Manager

Mike Gilley reconvened into regular session at 10:38 A.M.

Correll

Action From Executive Session

The Board may vote and/or act upon each of the items discussed in the Executive Session.

- 1. No action.
- 2. Beth Correll moved to accept Doug Carothers' resignation. Seconded by Frank Henderson. Motion carried 5-0.

Jim Cox moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:43 A.M. Seconded by Al Garrett. Motion carried 5-0.

Beth Correll Secretary