

## Walnut Creek Special Utility District

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## Minutes for Walnut Creek SUD Board of Directors Regular Meeting July 17, 2023

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

**Directors Absent: Beth Correll** 

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

The meeting was called to order by Mike Gilley, at 4:00 P.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 Jim Cox. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Al Garrett.

**Open Forum** – The following customers spoke during the open forum with concerns about Stage 2 and 3 Water Restrictions and communications of alerts.

- Jane Galvin, 128 Clayton Crossing, Springtown
- Tim Walter, 321 Timbers Cir, Poolville
- Cody Watkins, 643 Winkler Way, Springtown
- Tiffany Dessaints, 116 Clayton Crossing, Springtown
- Weldon Wright, 1115 Munn Rd, Springtown
- Ben Santa Cruz, 313 Wayward Spur, Springtown
- Melissa Stockton, 1016 Hennesay, Springtown
- Jeff Smith,314 Wayward Spur, Springtown
- Angelina Smith, 315 Wayward Spur, Springtown
- Daniel Deegan, 196 Clayton Crossing
- Sharae Conrado, 143 Clayton Crossing, Springtown

**Consent Agenda** – Jim Cox moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Seconded by Frank Henderson. Motion carried 4-0.

## **General Session:**

- A. Consideration and/or action to add Section 5.09 Certification Pay to the Employee Handbook. Al Garrett moved to add Section 5.09 Certification Pay to the Employee Handbook. Seconded by Jim Cox. Motion carried 4-0.
- B. Consideration and/or action to review and/or amend Sections 6.04 Overtime, 6.05 Holidays Worked, and Section 8.04 Work During Holidays of the Employee Handbook. Jim Cox moved to delete Sections 6.05 and 8.04 from the Employee Handbook due to the conflict with FLSA. Seconded by Al Garrett. Motion carried 4-0.

- C. Consideration and/or action to adjust the price per 1,000 gallons for Wholesale customers. Motion by Al Garrett to set the price per 1,000 gallons to \$5.36. Seconded by Frank Henderson. Motion carried 4-0.
- D. Consideration and/or action to implement longevity pay. Staff were instructed to work up different scenarios and present them at the August Regular Meeting held on Monday, August 21, 2023.
- E. Consideration and action to address questions from Jane Galvin that resides at 128 Clayton Crossing, Springtown. GM James Blackwood addressed each of the questions presented during his report. Mrs. Galvin spoke on the items during the meeting and is attached to the meeting minutes.
- F. Consideration and/or action to amend the Stage 2 Exceptions as defined in the Water Conservation and Drought Contingency Plan. Remove the sentence, "If new hydro mulch, grass sod, or grass seed is installed for the purpose of establishing a new lawn, there are no watering restrictions for the first 30 days while it is being established." Jim Cox moved remove the sentence from the State 2 Exceptions. Seconded by Al Garrett. Motion carried 4-0.
- G. Engineer's project report Bill Lohrke was unable to attend but he sent Exhibit A.
- H. Legal and professional reports James Blackwood and Denise Taylor will attend PFIA training on July 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> via Zoom. James Blackwood and Perry Day will attend a Public Drinking Water Conference on August 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> in Austin.

## **General Manager Report**

- A. Update on Construction Projects. See Exhibit B.
- B. Meter Project Status
  - a. James Stevens reported that the Diehl meter issues have been corrected and are reading at 97%.

Mike Gilley adjourned the meeting at 5:52 P.M.

**Beth Correll Secretary**