WEST ALLEN PARISH WATER DISTRICT

# MONTHLY MEETING

# Tuesday, September 6, 2022

## Opening

The regular monthly meeting of the WEST ALLEN PARISH WATER DISTRICT was called to order at 5:31 p.m. on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at the office of West Allen Parish Water District by Rusty Reeves, Chancy Frith prayed.

## Present

Rusty Reeves, Glen Monceaux, Kurt Schultz, Chancy Frith, Thomas I. Savoie, Carl Ritter, Jeremy Rion, Jonette Westmoreland, Kris Benoit & Nathan Booher.

**Absent**

None

**Guests**

Michael Dotson

## Approve/Amend Agenda

1. A motion was made by Carl and seconded by Chancy to amend the agenda to add Community Gumbo and to appoint Budget Committee, passed.

## Approval of Minutes

1. A motion was made by Carl and seconded by Chancy to accept the minutes as typed and presented, passed.

**Financial Report**

Jonette presented the financial report for August 2022 and answered questions.

**3)Motion:**A motion was made by Kurt and seconded by Chancy to accept the August 2022 financial report as presented, passed.

**Operational Report**

* Nathan presented his operational report for July 2022.
* Nathan presented his leak report
* Nathan presented his water audit report.
* Nathan informed the board that G.E.N.T.S. performed the Reeves tower inspection and a few repairs are needed. They suggested repainting the tower. They will be inspecting the Topsy tower Friday. Rusty suggested getting paint specs from Mark to get quotes for the repairs.
* The AC repair men came and changed the hard start on the office unit.
* Nathan presented the truck maintenance report.

## Old Business

**Reeves Post Office Update**

Rusty spoke to D’Juan 2 weeks ago and he’s in the process of getting the Postal Service attorneys talking with our insurance company and working out an agreement and are waiting to hear back from them. Our other option is to go through another insurance group to cover the Postal portion and D’Juan said we can renegotiate the contract.

**CWEF Grand Funds Update**

Nathan got a quote from Mike Smith Construction for the installation of valves at Reeves Recreation Center. The proposal is as follows: Labor and materials to install a 6” gate valve, 6 x 3 Tee and a 3 gate valve with plug for future use on the south side of Rodeo Pen Road in front of Reeves Recreation Center. The 6” valve and Tee will be spliced into existing 3” main using two 3” MJ couplings on north side of Rodeo Pen Road. All additional hardware and concrete blocking needed to complete job will be furnished by Contractor. The total for this proposal is $7, 785. Jonette stated that she spoke to Jacob and he’s checking on the funding. We are waiting to hear back from him before we move forward. Jonette also stated that she has to gain access to the portal to check for updates.

**Land Purchase Update**

Jonette stated that the Buy/Sell agreement has been signed by all parties. They are working on the title search now and when that is complete, we can move forward with the survey. Jonette presented 3 quotes from survey companies. The board discussed the quotes and came to an agreement.

**4)Motion:**A motion was made by Chancy and seconded by Ira to use Fuselier Surveying and Mapping, passed.

**AG Opinion Update**

Jonette presented the Attorney General’s opinion stating we can’t offer discounts to customers who install multiple meters at one time.

**5)Motion:**A motion was made by Kurt and seconded by Chancy to mail a copy of the Attorney General’s opinion to

Ms. Williams and the mayor, passed.

**CSDC Update**

Jonette presented a quote from CSDC to do quarterly and annual backups.

**6)Motion:**A motion was made by Glen and seconded by Jeremy to approve CSDC services, passed.

**Water Sector Application**

Water Sector application has been submitted. The total project cost is 3.5 million.

**New Business**

**Community Gumbo**

Michael Dotson spoke about the Community Gumbo and it will take place on Saturday, December 3, 2022 at the rec center. The rec will provide the gumbo, the village will provide drinks and the water office will provide desserts. Christmas in the park and the Community Gumbo will be combined.

**7)Motion:**A motion was made by Glen and seconded by Carl to provide desserts for the Community Gumbo.

**Surplus Equipment**

We have old computers, printers, fax machines, miscellaneous office equipment and Christmas decorations that have no value. We will make a list of everything and dispose of it.

**Budget Committee**

The Budget Committee will consist of Kurt, Jeremy, Nathan and Jonette.

**Tour of Water Plant**

Nathan and Kris presented everyone with a tour of the water plant and explained the whole process of getting water to our customers.

## Adjournment

**8)Motion:**A motion was made by Jeremy and seconded by Carl to adjourn the meeting, passed.

The next scheduled meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. on October 4, 2022.

**REEVES, LOUISIANA this 6th day of September, 2022**

President: William E. Reeves, Jr., President

Attest: Kimberly J. Westmoreland, Office Manager

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