

MINUTES
BETHANY-WARR ACRES PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY

WARR ACRES CITY HALL
TUESDAY
MAY 2, 2023
9:00 A.M.

1. Call to order, declaration of a quorum. This meeting was given in accordance with applicable State Statutes. Chairman Lloyd called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Present

Absent

Chairman Nikki Lloyd
Trustee Elizabeth Gray
Vice Chairman Roger Godwin
Trustee Pamela McDowell-Ramirez

Trustee Brian Magirowsky

STAFF PRESENT

Johnny Blassingame, Trust Attorney
Jason Horton, Wright Water
Shawn Wright, Wright Water
Sean Fairbain, Trust Engineer

2. Approve the minutes of the Bethany-Warr Acres Public Works Authority Meeting of April 4, 2023.

Motion by Ramirez, seconded by Godwin to approve the minutes of the Bethany-Warr Acres Public Works Authority Meeting of April 4, 2023. Poll vote: yea's; Ramirez, Godwin, Gray, Lloyd.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

3. Report of Wright Water Corporation concerning ongoing general management of Bluff Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Jason- Looked into the bell press and the bearings and hydraulic seal need to be replaced we might have to mess with the polymers to see what is going on.

The inlet valve for #3 SBR was installed, it's up and running. We are waiting for parts for the pump for #4, should be up and running in a month.

Overall, the Plant is running smoothly.

Need to get the filter pretty quick to stay in compliance. Without the filter the T.S.S is going to elevate when it starts getting hotter. The heat makes the T.S.S multiply faster therefore, once summer arrives, they will have a lot more sludge to deal with. Once they get the filter it will help eliminate some of the TSS going to the river which will be very beneficial. They are working on that at this point.

DEQ is very happy with the progress. They are asking about chlorides, but not sure why, he is waiting to hear back from DEQ. There are no new concerns from DEQ.

4. Engineer's Report.

Working with Wright Water on a budget for the future of the plant. Looking into rate increases after discussing with both cities.

5. Discussion and consideration and possible approval of contract with Wright Water Corporation for the Operation, Maintenance, and Management of the Bluff Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant and Sanitary Sewer Interceptor.

Gave everyone a draft of the contract for their review. The agreement is not ready to be signed off. Have a few things to discuss regarding sludge and lab and cost, etc.

Motion by Gray, seconded by Godwin to table the item to the next regularly scheduled Bethany-Warr Acres Public Works Authority Meeting. Poll vote: yea's; Gray, Godwin, Ramirez, Lloyd.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

7. Financial Report.

Michael gave his financial report.

8. Discussion, consideration and possible approval of resolution for amendment of the Authority's fiscal year 2023 budget to appropriate funds from the Authority's unreserved fund balance for expenditures necessitated by emergency conditions at the Bluff Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Motion by Godwin, Seconded by Ramirez to approve the resolution for amendment of the Authority's fiscal year 2023 budget to appropriate funds from the Authority's unreserved fund balance for expenditures necessitated by emergency conditions at Bluff Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant. Poll vote: yea's; Godwin, Ramirez, Gray, Lloyd.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

9. Discussion and consideration of possible approval of engagement with Crawford & Associates, P.C. for a forensic accounting audit of Authority.

Motion by Ramirez, seconded by Gray to approve the engagement with Crawford & Associates, P.C. for a forensic accounting audit of Authority. Poll vote: Ramirez, Gray,

Godwin, Lloyd.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

10. Discussion, consideration and possible approval for the payment of claims.

Motion by Godwin, seconded by Gray to approve the payment of claims. Poll vote: yea's; Godwin, Gray, Ramirez, Lloyd.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

11. Discussion of potential for future rate increase resolution and parameters for the same.

Johnny handed out the most recent resolution, resolution 47d of the rate structure for the BWA PWA. Asked to look it over and will discuss at next meeting on rate increases.

12. Trust Attorney's Report.

He is scheduled to speak with DEQ's lawyer, April to discuss the protocol for the copying of the computer hard drives. He received quotes from a computer forensic company for imaging, copying, reservation and recovery of deleted information.

Passed out Resolution 142 asked look it over to see if the Trust wants to amend it to adjust to the current situation or leave it.

13. Call to the Public.

None

14. Adjournment.

Motion by Lloyd, seconded by Godwin to adjourn the Meeting. Poll vote: yea's; Lloyd, Godwin, Ramirez, Gray.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

This meeting was adjourned at 9:44 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Pamela McDowell-Ramirez
Secretary