

The Commissioners of Ward Two Water District of Livingston Parish met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at 7:00 pm at their Administration office on Carter Drive in Denham Springs, La.

Chairman John Easterly opened the regular meeting

Present: J.Easterly, S.Spillman, J.McCoy, D.Strickland, S.Ball, J.Martone

Absent –Shyrl Westmoreland

Guests - Agnes Killcrease, Administrative Director

Toby Fruge- of Owen & White

Legal Counsel, Colt Fore

Motion to accept the minutes from regular meeting held on June 21, 2022, as mailed with no public comment by S.Ball seconded by J.McCoy Vote passed Yeas-6
Nays-none Absent-Shyrl Westmoreland

There were no public comments so the Chairman moved to the next agenda item.

Legal Counsel reported that there were no new legal matters for discussion.

Engineer, Toby Fruge, gave an update on project funding. He summarized each project and plans for funding application submission on the projects. He noted that electronic meters may be eligible for funding. He stated that up to 2 million dollars remains open from DWRL for capital projects fund and that he will explore approval by the funding organization for the meter purchases from this fund. He also noted that the search continues for the Port Vincent location for a new well site. Board discussed.

Engineer reported that a DOTD roundabout at Juban Road has made further adjustments which will require on water line to be re-located. Manager and Engineer have met on this issue and noted that the adjustment from DOTD results from drainage changes along Juban Road.

Administrative Director reported on the FusionStak contract agreement. Legal Counsel noted that item 13 states a limitation on liability needs to state that “21st Judicial District” as the court jurisdiction in the contract. Chairman made comments on section for “backup duties”. He recommended for backup be made per day and that the rate increase section needed clarification with specifics listed in the contract versus the general terms.

Board discussed these items and tabled contract approval at this time.

Administrative Director noted that customer additions totaled 68 for the month and that at 6-30-22 customer count equaled 23,806.

Administrative Director summarized the Accounts Receivable data as of 6-30-22.

A Financial report was presented by the Administrative Secretary for the month of June 2022, and a comparison of the period of operations and budget was given to the Board of Commissioners.

Motion to accept the financial report as presented with no public comment by S.Spillman seconded by S Ball Vote passed Yeas-6 Nays-none Absent-Shyrl Westmoreland

Under board comments, discussion was made on electronic meter funding from capital project funds or DWRL funding. Board also discussed various sites for the Port Vincent elevated tank site.

Jimmie McCoy asked for a policy regarding multiple meter regarding an older site communicated to him. Board discussed who is responsible for upgrades to separate services to individual meters.

David Strickland suggested to add "old business" as an item on the agenda each month. Chairman requested information on the potential of billing services for other companies for future discussion and consideration once the new billing system has finished transition.

Motion to assign task of writing a policy for requirement of individual meters versus multiple usage meters with no public comment by S.Ball seconded by S.Spillman Vote passed Yeas-6 Nays-none Absent-Shyrl Westmoreland

Motion to approve the bills as presented with no public comment by S.Ball seconded by S.Spillman Vote passed Yeas-6 Nays-none Absent-Shyrl Westmoreland

Motion to approve the construction bills as presented for Loan #1063039-05 (2019 series) with no public comment by S.Spillman seconded by S.Ball Vote passed Yeas-6 Nays-none Absent-Shyrl Westmoreland

Motion to adjourn the meeting with no public comment by S.Spillman seconded by S.Ball Vote passed Yeas-6 Nays-none Absent-Shyrl Westmoreland



Randall Smith Administrative Secretary

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 at 7 PM