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Ward 2 Water District

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Please advertise the Minutes on the following date:

Thursday, October 27, 2022

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Thank You

Cookie Killcrease, Administrative Director

The Commissioners of Ward Two Water District of Livingston Parish met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, September 20, 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.Westmoreland, S.Spillman, J.McCoy, S.Ball, J.Martone,
D.Strickland Absent –none

Guests - Barry LeJuene, Manager
Agnes Killcrease, Administrative Director
Toby Fruge- of Owen & White
Legal Counsel, Blayne Honeycutt
Gary Ragusa of Aqua Metric Inc. Mark Tate of Coburns Inc.
Doug Causey, citizen

Motion to accept the minutes from regular meeting held on August 16, 2022, as mailed with no public comment by S.Spillman seconded by J.McCoy Vote passed Yeas-7 Nays-none Absent-none

Under public comments, Aqua Metrics representatives presented information regarding various models of electronic water meters available from his company. He explained the AMI system components on the model meter his company provides. He explained the partnership with Coburn's Inc (local vendor). He summarized options in replacing meters, online meter shut off, wireless transmission of data, proprietary license fees (guarantee of internet coverage) as options from their model meter. He noted that 5 sites would be needed for data collection which could read 100% of the District service area. He described the installation work plan and financial benefits. He projected a huge financial savings over a twenty year period from increased revenues. He also explained warranty benefits. Board discussed and fielded many questions on this model meter's operation. Chairman thanked the vendor for his presentation.

Chairman delayed discussion of the request on water tap fee by Mr. Marcotte due to his absence.

Legal Counsel reported that he received a notice of a recent suit filed from last year's vehicle incident which is being addressed by the fleet insurance carrier.

Engineer, Toby Fruge, stated that the Sims Road contractor has provided application #3 for \$13,161 and he recommends amount to be disbursed.

Motion to approve the disbursement of payment application #3 in the amount of \$13,161 to the contractor of the Sims Road Waterline Replacement contract 21-1475-14 as recommended by Engineer with no public comment by S.Spillman seconded by J.McCoy Vote passed Yeas-7 Nays-none Absent-none

*Engineer reported on a communication from the DWRL representative, stating that funds in the amount of \$11,800,000 with 50% loan forgiveness provision will be available soon and that this loan has a high potential for approval for future growth of the District (District would be responsible for only half of this amount). He will be working on the specifications (including electronic meters) in order to meet with the three member committee soon.

Administrative Director presented the FusionStak contract for the new billing system with Legal Counsel's modifications.

She also noted that a insurance dividend regarding Workers Compensation was received in the amount of \$17,124 recently.

Motion to approve the FusionStak contract for 2022 relating to new billing system services as presented with no public comment by S.Westmoreland seconded by S.Ball
Vote passed Yeas-7 Nays-none Absent-none

Manager noted that DOTD bridge replacement project along Hwy 1024 (Cane Market Road) will require the District to re-locate the current water service line.

Motion to approve the re-location of water service lines from the DOTD ROW along Hwy 1024 as required and presented by Manager along with authorizing Owen and White to design same re-location with no public comment by S.Spillman seconded by S.Westmoreland
Vote passed Yeas-7 Nays-none Absent-none

Under other public comment, Doug Causey, citizen, addressed the board requesting water line service extended from Fore Road to the Uti Moore Road for a few more customers. He explained that the length was about 1400 feet in total length. Board discussed and stated that a cost analysis will be performed for this request.

Financial report was presented by the Administrative Secretary for the month of August 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-7 Nays-none Absent-none

There were no further board comments.

Motion to approve the bills as presented with no public comment by S.Spillman seconded by S.Ball
Vote passed Yeas-7 Nays-none Absent-none

Motion to approve the construction bills as presented for Loan #1063039-05 (2019 series) with no public comment by S.Ball seconded by S.Westmoreland
Vote passed Yeas-7 Nays-none Absent-none

Motion to adjourn the meeting with no public comment by S.Ball seconded by J.Martone
Vote passed Yeas-7 Nays-none Absent-none



Randall Smith Administrative Secretary

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at 7 PM