

**PEARLINGTON WATER & SEWER DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 2023**

The Board of Commissioners of the Pearlington Water and Sewer District met in official session on Wednesday, January 18, 2023, in the Pearlington Recovery Center.

In Attendance:

Absent:

Nolan Pansano, Chairman
Cabrina Bell, Vice Chairman
Rosa Jackson, Treasurer
John Pavlovich, Commissioner (arrived late)
Debra Sonnier, Secretary
Derek Cusick, Attorney
Ty Necaie, CPA
Zoe Bowers, Operator
Scott Burge, Engineer

Chairman Pansano called the official meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was said followed by a moment of silence.

ROLL CALL

Attachment 1A

APPROVAL TO THE AGENDA

MOTION to accept the agenda as presented (Attachment 1C). **PASSED**

Moved: Bell

Seconded: Sonnier

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Abstained: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Date of the next regular monthly meeting: February 15, 2023.

REQUEST TO SPEAK (Guest Presentation)

NONE

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

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NEW BUSINESS

MOTION to approve the January 2022 Docket of Claims (Attachment 4A). **PASSED.**

Moved: Bell
Seconded: Jackson
Ayes: All
Nays: None
Abstained: None

MOTION to approve the November 2022 Treasure's Report (Attachment 4B). **PASSED.**

Moved: Bell
Seconded: Jackson
Ayes: All
Nays: None
Abstained: None

MOTION to approve November 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes (Attachment 4C). **PASSED.**

Moved: Sonnier
Seconded: Bell
Ayes: All
Nays: None
Abstained: None

The Election of Officers was postponed until Mr. Pavlovich was present.

OPERATOR'S REPORT

Discussion: Mrs. Bowers discussed significant events such as new installations and problems with current installations. No action was taken as part of the discussion.

Let the record show that Commissioner Pavlovich entered the meeting prior to the Engineer Report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Discussion: No new updates on the purchase of Oak Harbor.

Discussion: The West Outfall Project is still pending federal approval.

CPA'S REPORT

Discussion: Budget vs actual was presented. Attachment 8A. No action was taken because of this discussion.

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CPA'S REPORT (continued)

Discussion: Update on compliance issues with customers. The District is still working with many customers to encourage them to get into compliance with the Ordinance. No action was taken.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Discussion: Mr. Cusick attended the Municipal Conference and while present had a chance to touch base with his contacts regarding Oak Harbor. They are keeping an eye out for funding opportunities.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Chairman Report

None

Other Board Member Reports

None

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

MOTION to dispense with the election of officers and keep the current officers for the 2023 calendar year. **PASSED.**

Moved: Jackson

Seconded: Pavlovich

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Abstained: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION to close the meeting to discuss the need to go into executive session. **PASSED.**

Moved: Jackson

Seconded: Pavlovich

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Abstained: None

MOTION to go into executive session to discuss employee evaluations and the new General Manager position. **PASSED.**

Moved: Jackson

Seconded: Sonnier

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Abstained: None

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MOTION to exit executive session. **PASSED.**

Moved: Jackson
Seconded: Sonnier
Ayes: All
Nays: None
Abstained: None

MOTION to exit closed session and resume the public meeting. **PASSED.**

Moved: Jackson
Seconded: Sonnier
Ayes: All
Nays: None
Abstained: None

ATTORNEY CUSICK ANNOUNCED THAT THE FOLLOWING OFFICIAL ACTIONS OF RECORD WERE TAKEN DURING THE EXECUTIVE SESSION.

MOTION to accept the evaluations and recommendations of management to give a 3% COLA (pay increase) and an additional merit increase based on the results of the evaluations, effective February 1, 2023.

Moved: Jackson
Seconded: Pavlovich
Ayes: All
Nays: None
Abstained: None

MOTION to delay the creation of the General Manager position and to rescind the offer to hire Kodie Koenenn as General Manager of Pearlington Water & Sewer District. **PASSED.**

Moved: Jackson
Seconded: Pavlovich
Ayes: All
Nays: None
Abstained: None

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ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 4:11 PM. **PASSED.**

Moved: Jackson

Seconded: Pavlovich

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Approved in February 15, 2023 meeting

Debra Sonnier, Secretary