

**PEARLINGTON WATER & SEWER DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
August 2023**

The Board of Commissioners of the Pearlington Water and Sewer District met in official session on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, in the Pearlington Recovery Center.

In Attendance:

Absent:

Nolan Pansano, Chairman
Cabrina Bell, Vice Chairman
Rosa Jackson, Treasurer
John Pavlovich, Commissioner
Debra Sonnier, Secretary
Derek Cusick, Attorney
Ty Necaie, CPA
Scott Burge, Engineer

Vice Chairman Bell called the official meeting to order at 3:00pm. The 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: Pavlovich
Seconded: Sonnier
Ayes: All
Nays: None
Abstained: None

REQUEST TO SPEAK (Guest Presentation)

NONE

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

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NEW BUSINESS

MOTION to approve the August 2023 Docket of Claims. Attachment 4A. **PASSED.**

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

MOTION to approve the July 2023 Treasurer's Report. Attachment 4B. **PASSED.**

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

MOTION to approve July 2023 regular meeting minutes. Attachment 4C. **PASSED.**

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

MOTION to approve the following pool adjustments: **PASSED.**

Acct. No. 108- sewer only \$41.80

Acct. No. 138- sewer only \$41.43

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

OPERATOR'S REPORT

Discussion: High Water Loss

- The District still has a high-water loss for the second month in a row. The field staff is searching for the leaks.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Discussion: West Outfall Project Status

- The contractor is scheduled to start the project this month.

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ENGINEER'S REPORT (continued)

Discussion: Oak Harbor Acquisition Status

- The Attorneys with HCUA are still working on the purchase agreement. The system is still pending purchase.

Discussion: Stennis Project

- The design is complete. The land procurements are underway.

BUSINESS REPORT

Discussion: Budget Report

- The District is over budget by an aggregated amount of \$2,317.89. This is mostly due to the burglary, vehicle repairs and rising cost in utilities and operating supplies.

Discussion: New Policy

- No updates on the policy at this time. We are working on a complete amendment.

Discussion: New Hire

- The District is in need of an additional field staff person. Part of this discussion took place in executive session.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Discussion: Prosecution Update

- An affidavit was filed with the Justice Court. The County Prosecutor is in charge of the case. We are hoping for contact from the customer.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Discussion: Chairman Report

- David Pitalo arrived at the meeting at 3:45 and gave a presentation regarding the Oak Harbor Project. He stated the HCUA attorney sent the purchase agreement to the owner of Oak Harbor. PWSD will handle the billing for the 65 customers.

Discussion: Other Board Member Reports

- None

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION to close the meeting and discuss the need for an executive session. **PASSED**

Moved: Jackson

Seconded: Bell

Ayes: All

Nays: None

MOTION to enter executive session to discuss personnel matters pursuant to 25-41-7(4)a, job performance. **PASSED**

Moved: Sonnier

Seconded: Pavlovich

Ayes: All

Nays: None

MOTION to exit executive session. **PASSED**

Moved: Jackson

Seconded: Bell

Ayes: All

Nays: None

MOTION to come out of closed session and resume the open meeting. **PASSED**

Moved: Jackson

Seconded: Sonnier

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Attorney Cusick announced that no official actions of record were taken during the executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 5:09pm. **PASSED.**

Moved: Jackson

Seconded: Sonnier

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Approved in September 20 meeting

Debra Sonnier, Secretary

Date