

**PEARLINGTON WATER & SEWER DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 2022**

The Board of Commissioners of the Pearlington Water and Sewer District met in official session on Wednesday, September 21, 2022, in the Pearlington Recovery Center.

In Attendance:

Cabrina Bell, Vice Chairman
Rosa Jackson, Treasurer
John Pavlovich, Commissioner
Derek Cusick, Attorney
Ty Necaize, CPA
Zoe Bowers, Operator
Scott Burge, Engineer

Absent:

Nolan Pansano, Chairman

Vice Chairman Bell called the official meeting to order at 5:00 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: Jackson

Seconded: Pavlovich

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Abstained: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Date of the next regular monthly meeting: October 19, 2022.

REQUEST TO SPEAK (Guest Presentation)

Travis Vernaci – Customer did not attend meeting.

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OLD BUSINESS

MOTION to authorize the Treasurer to cash out and transfer two CDs for \$100,000 each from Hancock Whitney to The First Bank. **PASSED.**

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

Discussion: Proposal by the Masonic Lodge to disconnect from the sewer system. Customer was not present at the meeting. No Action taken.

NEW BUSINESS

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

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

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

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

MOTION to adopt Fiscal Year 2023 Operating budget. (Attachment 4C). **PASSED.**

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

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MOTION to approve the following LEAK adjustments. **PASSED.**

- Account# 122 - \$22.05
- Account# 350 - \$62.94

Moved: Sonnier

Seconded: Pavlovich

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Abstained: None

MOTION to authorize an officer of PWSD to sign the O'Reilly credit application.

Moved: Pavlovich

Seconded: Sonnier

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Abstained: None

TABLED BUSINESS

Tabled: Sewer only customers. No action taken.

OPERATOR'S REPORT

MOTION to ratify declaration of surplus and sale of unusable parts to Stone County Utility accepting findings of Zoe Bowers; of an emergency; surplus of the parts as unusable and unnecessary for use by PWSD and ratifying sale for the sum of \$688.00.

Moved: Sonnier

Seconded: Pavlovich

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Discussion: Updated board on Fire Hydrant maintenance. The crew cut and weeded 141 hydrants.

Discussion: Mrs. Bowers updated board on status of new employee.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Discussion: HCUA engineers are still trying to get permits and easements on the Outfall Project.

Discussion: The Oak Harbor project was discussed, including the need to procure more funding for the rehabilitation of the water distribution system.

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MOTION to approve Derek and Ty to meet with Trey Bobinger, a lobbyist, to discuss funding for Oak Harbor.

Moved: Pavlovich

Seconded: Bell

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Discussion: Mr. Burge presented a rate comparison that showed the Board how PWSD rates compared to other entities.

MOTION to accept the comparison as a preliminary rate study for FY 2022/2023.

Moved: Jackson

Seconded: Pavlovich

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Abstained: None

MOTION to authorize Scott Burge to conduct a formal rate study for FY 2022/2023.

Moved: Jackson

Seconded: Pavlovich

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Abstained: None

CPA'S REPORT

Discussion: Budget vs Actual. The district has an overall budget surplus.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Discussion: Cusick plans to attend October 6, 2022 HCUA meeting and plans to update the board at next meeting.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Chairman Report

None

Other Board Member Reports

Discussion: The Board inquired how temporary permits are treated regarding water and sewer hookups and what control we have over them. Discussion followed with no action taken.

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MOTION to advertise and change the time of future board meetings to 3 pm effective December 21, 2022.
PASSED.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn meeting at 6:16 p.m. **PASSED.**

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

Approved in October 19, 2022 meeting

Debra Sonnier, Secretary