

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

May 15, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of the Pearlington Water and Sewer District met in official session on Wednesday, May 15, 2019 in the Pearlington Recovery Center.

In Attendance:

Absent:

James Lamy, Chairman
Cabrina Bell, Commissioner
Rosa Jackson, Commissioner
James Bennett, Commissioner
John Pavlovich, Commissioner
Ty Necaize, CPA
Michael Haas, Attorney
Zoe Bowers, PSWD Operator
Scott Burge

Chairman Lamy called the official meeting to order at 5:03 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, followed by a moment of silent reflection for Ms. Connie Beum, deceased officer worker.

AMENDMENT TO AGENDA

- None (1C).

AGENDA

- **Motion** was made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Bennett, to accept agenda as presented (Attachment 1D). **Motion passed.**

REQUEST TO SPEAK (Guest Presentation)

- David Pitalo, Director of HCUA, was asked to attend this meeting by Chairman Lamy to discuss some new possibilities for getting our Oak Harbor Project moved up on the funding list. Director Pitalo stated he is working with various funding sources to get about 14 projects funded in Hancock County. The governor received 150 million dollars for projects and he currently has only one project. Projects can be submitted starting June 1, 2019 and will close July 1, 2019. Director Pitalo stated he plans to submit all 14 projects and Oak Harbor is in this group. Director also stated there is Go Mesa funding available, which will be handled by Marine Resources, and he plans to put all Hancock County projects on this list. PWSD is aware that we are not guaranteed this funding.

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OLD BUSINESS

- **Discussion**-Update on Audit: Per CPA Necaise, there is no update on the audit.
- **Discussion**-Customer payment plan: There is no new action in the plan due to the death of PWSD office worker.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Motion** made by Commissioner Jackson, seconded by Commissioner Bell, to approve the May 2019 Docket of Claims (Attachment 4A). **Motion passed.**
- **Motion** was made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Bennett, to approve the April 2019 Treasurer's Report (Attachment 4B). **Motion passed.**
- **Motion** was made by Commissioner Jackson, seconded by Commissioner Bennett, to approve the March minutes for 2019 (Attachment 4C). **Motion passed.**
- **Motion** was made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Jackson, to approve minutes of the April 2019 meeting (Attachment 4D). **Motion passed**
- **Motion** was made by Commissioner Jackson, seconded by Commissioner Bennett, to approve minutes of the April 24, 2019 recess meeting (Attachment 4E). **Motion passed.**

OPERATOR'S REPORT

- Operator Zoe presented a sheriff deputy's report on a customer who was found pumping sewage out of his back fence (will discuss further in executive session). Attorney Haas spoke with the homeowner who is offshore but stated he was going to come in to take care of the matter (Attachment 5A).

ENGINEER REPORT

- Engineer Burge gave handouts of the Status Report on the purchase of Oak Harbor Project. He also gave out a preliminary Budget Cost Report. These reports give the projected cost to operate the Oak Harbor System. These reports also showed funding sources that were mentioned earlier by Director Pitalo. PWSD Oak Harbor Project is #6 on the Project list and the 3 million dollars will be given every other year to the County (Attachment 6A).

CPA REPORT

- CPA Necaise gave the Budget vs Actual Report and budget is looking very good. PWSD needs to make sure we look at the budget concerning the lift station (Attachment 7A).

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

- Attorney Haas arrived at the meeting at 5:22 P.M. due to being in court. Attorney Haas was not able to get paperwork from his office due to the court appointment but will speak in executive session on ligation (Attachment 8A).

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

- No Board Member Report from Chairman due to Director Pitalo of HCUA covering the information earlier in the meeting (Attachment 9A).
- Oak Harbor Purchase was discussed earlier by Engineer Scott Burge (Attachment 9B)

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- **OTHER BOARD MEMBER REPORT** – None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- **Motion** was made by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Jackson, to enter executive to discuss personnel issues at 6:11 P.M. All Board Members voted. **Motion passed.**
- **Motion** was made by Commissioner Jackson, seconded by Commissioner Bennett, to come out executive at 6:40 P.M. All Board members voted. **Motion passed.**
- No action taken in executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

- **Motion** was made by Commissioner Jackson, seconded by Commissioner Pavlovich, to recess the meeting until May 22, 2019 at 5 P.M. (Attachment 11A). **Motion passed.**

Rosa Jackson, Secretary/Treasurer

James Lamy, Chairman