# PEARLINGTON WATER & SEWER DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

## February 17, 2016

The Board of Commissioners of the Pearlington Water and Sewer District met in official session on Wednesday, February 17, 2016, in the Pearlington Recovery Center.

In Attendance: Absent:

James Lamy, Chairman

Cabrina Bell, Commissioner

Rosa Jackson, Commissioner

Denise Wilkinson, Commissioner

Zoe Bretzius-Bowers, PWSD General Manager

Ty Necaise, CPA

Michael Haas, Attorney

Chairman Lamy called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, followed by a moment of silent reflection.

#### **PUBLIC REQUEST TO SPEAK**

Tommy Dean – Mr. Dean expressed concern that his home is on a water line that has low use. He presented a sample of the water he stated was taken from his house sink. The water was brown and contained sediment of some sort. He complained that he continues to have problems even though he has used filters, and he stated that the water also has a foul odor. The PWSD General Manager stated that Mr. Dean is on a line that has few customers. She stated that an auto-flusher would be installed on the line and that she would go to the house the next day to investigate the complaint.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- Motion was made by Commissioner Bell, seconded by Commissioner Jackson, to approve the January 20 and 27, 2016, Board Meeting Minutes. Motion passed.
- Motion was made by Commissioner Jackson, seconded by Commissioner Bell, to approve the February 2016 Docket. Motion passed.
- Motion was made by Commissioner Jackson, seconded by Commissioner Bell, to approve the January 2016 Treasurer's Report. Motion passed.

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#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Date of next regular monthly meeting was announced as March 16, 2016, at the Pearlington Recovery Center.

#### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT (1 Attachment)**

HCUA Activity- Chairman Lamy explained that yesterday's HCUA meeting was short. Jody Fountain reviewed the Over/Under Billing. The results from the Mississippi State Department of Health's water assessment were presented. A rating of 4.7 was obtained because the system lacks a back-up well. Chairman Lamy asked that a back-up well be considered in the BP funded projects. It did not appear that the back-up well would be placed on the list of projects. A new board member was appointed to the HCUA Board. Patricia Cuevas is also on the Board now. The Kiln system is beginning to repair tanks and will be buying less water in the future. Bay St. Louis and Waveland have advised HCUA that they cannot purchase water due to the use of fluoride in their systems. They advised that once fluoride is introduced into a system, the entity owning the system is not permitted to stop treating with fluoride. The water funding issues of HCUA caused by Bay St. Louis and Waveland not contributing anything to the cost of the water system remain unresolved. A letter from David Pitalo, Executive Director of HCUA, addressed to Mayor Fillingame and Council was presented and discussed. The letter expressed intent to terminate the trial delivery of water to the Bay St. Louis water system.

#### **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

None

### **CPA'S REPORT (TY NECAISE)(1 Attachment)**

- Presentation of Monthly Budget Report (Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual)
   Professional fees are over the budget because last year's audit was paid. There should be no budget problems this year.
- Mr. Necaise informed the Board that the State passed a new policy regarding mileage that needed to be adopted. Motion was made by Commissioner Jackson, seconded by Commissioner Bell, to adopt the State Audit Rule of \$.19 per mile if an employee chooses not to use the available government vehicle. Motion passed.
- Oak Harbor Update: Nancy Depreo has not completed the value of the Oak Harbor System. She did provide an update for the Board to initiate conversation regarding the worth of the system to the PWSD. Oak Harbor's sewer system would be a major expense to the PWSD. It is hoped Ms.Depreo will be present at the March PWSD meeting with a completed evaluation.

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### **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (3 Attachments)**

## Operations:

- PWSD General Manager submitted an Operations Status Report for Board review.
- She provided sample forms for Board review from the Tuolumne Utilities District.
- She also provided a draft Water & Sewer Disconnect Policy for review.

### **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

• There were no liens or court actions to report.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

## **Adjournment**

**Motion** was made by Commissioner Jackson, seconded by Commissioner Bell, to adjourn the meeting. **Motion passed**.

There being no further business, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 6:16 p.m.

Denise Wilkinson, Secretary/Treasurer

James Lamy, Chairman