

Minutes
Regular Board Meeting
Monday, January 10, 2022 (postpone due to illness)
Tuesday, January 18, 2022
5:30pm – Conference Room

The Board of Directors met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 in the conference room located at 4015 Sherry Street, Sulphur, La., with President Larry Mouton presiding with the following members present: Theresa Bell, Richard Boenig, Larry Mouton, and Kent Chamblee.

Absent: Vito Tramonte

The Invocation was led by Kent Chamblee followed by the pledge of allegiance.

There was a motion by Theresa Bell and seconded by Kent Chamblee to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Motion Carried.

Audience: Tarek Polite– CPPJ Human Service Division
Erika Dozier – CPPJ Human Service Division
Lee Lancon – Lancon Engineers, Inc.
John Veronie – Lancon Engineers, Inc.

Tarek Polite – Presented a Low Income Household Water Assistance Vendor Agreement to the Board of Directors. Federal funds were awarded under a grant and shall be used as part of an overall emergency effort to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the Covid-19 pandemic, with the public health focus of ensuring that low-income households have access to drinking water and wastewater services. The funds will be used to cover and/or reduce arrearages, rates and fees associated with reconnection or preventions of disconnection of service and rate reduction to eligible households for such services. This agreement is received by the Agency and will remain in effect until June 30, 2024. Customers of Waterworks Dist. 9, Ward 4 will make application through Human Service Division for low income assistance. After lengthy discussion, there was a motion by Theresa Bell and seconded by Richard Boenig authorizing President Larry Mouton to sign the Low Income Household Water Assistance Vendor Agreement as presented by Tarek Polite. Motion Carried.

Lee Lancon mentioned that from time to time John Veronie will be covering some of the projects for Lee.

Burton Shipyard Rd. W/L Relocation Project – LONO letters were signed and sent off to Driftwood LNG. The project not 100% complete and is still out of service. Still waiting on the hot box and pipe supports to be delivered around the end of January.

Filter #6 – John Veronie mentioned the plans & specifications just about finished. They would like approval from the Board of Directors to start advertising for bids February 11, 2022 to receive bids on March 8, 2022. The filter vessel due to arrive middle of April. There was a motion by Theresa Bell and seconded by Kent Chamblee authorizing Lee Lancon to begin advertising for bids. Motion Carried.

Parish received \$40million for infrastructure projects. Back in August 2021 the Parish wanted a “wish list” for projects that Waterworks would like to see happen. A new Filter 6 was listed. On January 5, 2021 the Parish sent a letter to Waterworks approving the Waterline Filter Replacement Project in the amount of \$1,500,000.00. The project is named “Replacement” instead of New Filter. Waterworks New Filter project has started up. Federal funding has many Federal provisions that have to be followed in order to spend the money properly. If some of the money was to go to engineer fees, then that engineer firm has to be procured according to Federal guidelines. Waterworks had Engineer firm and Filter project already began before knowing about Federal Funding Grant. The parish has retained Postlethwaite and Netterville, APAC (P & N) as the American Recovery Project Grant Management Consultant and they will serve as the point of contact for the construction of Waterworks 9 project. Projects must be under construction by December 31, 2024 and completed prior October 31, 2026. After lengthy discussion, Lee will try to get answers from the consultant group on using a different project since the Filter project is already underway. Motion by Theresa Bell and seconded by Richard Boenig authorizing Lee Lancon to speak to Consultants on questions asked by the commissioners. Motion Carried.

Water Storage Tanks Rehabilitation Project: Total project costs is \$1,200,000. Construction costs are \$921,106.00 and the rest of the costs is non construction and contingency.

Project Schedule is summarized as follows:

Study and Report Phase	1-17-2022 (complete)
Preliminary Design Phase	1-17-2022 to 2-01-2022
Final Design Phase	2-01-2022 to 3-01-2022
Advertise and Bid Phase	3-16-2022 to 4-11-2022

Temporary Connection: Bermad has a valve that control the flow and monitors pressure. There is a feature to open & close the valve from SCADA System. The costs of the valve is \$1700. Lee is still looking for costs for 8”meter & Back Flow Preventer based on the flow rates. He spoke to a representative at Louisiana Radio and sent them the information and they are looking at the kind of equipment needed to send signal back to SCADA System. Lee stated that possibly go with something like what is on well #3 for a signal. Lee will have more information for the next board meeting.

After reviewing the payables, there was a motion by Richard Boenig and seconded by Theresa Bell to approve payables as presented. Motion Carried.

Generator: Jay stated that the ship out date will be the end of February. Fuel Tank has to be taken away before generator is set. Deval will take the fuel tank away when delivering the generator.

360 Software: Core & Main is working with CSDC and will have training with the office and Jay.

Jay mentioned he met the new Fire Chief for Carlyss. The Chief was not fond of the agreements we have with them on the fire hydrants. He also had a concern on the flow rates on some hydrants in the district. Jay suggested the Chief get flow rates and come to a meeting to discuss problem areas.

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Vito Tramonte and seconded by Kent Chamblee. Motion Carried.