

April 07, 2022

The Board of Directors of Bell County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1 of Bell County, Texas met at a Budget Workshop, at the district office located at 201 South 38<sup>th</sup> Street, Killeen, Texas, at 9:00a.m., on April 07, 2022.

Robert R. Robinson	President	Richard Grandy	Director
Blair Williams	Vice President	Dale Treadway	Director
Sandra Blankenship	Secretary	Brian Dosa	Fort Hood Representative
John Fisher	Director	Ricky Garrett	General Manager
Kenny Wells	Director		

Public attendees were Thad Imerman, Killeen Daily Herald and Scott Osborn, City of Copperas Cove.

All members present except the following absentee(s): John Fisher and Brian Dosa, thus constituting a quorum. President Robinson opened the workshop at 9:00a.m.

Director Fisher joined the meeting at 9:02a.m.

Fort Hood Representative Dosa joined the meeting at 9:15a.m.

The first item of business was the budget workshop. Mr. Garrett, General Manager, gave a power point presentation reflecting the year in review for both water and wastewater systems projects; budget overview and what goes into costs associated with the budgets.

Salaries, chemicals, maintenance of equipment, operating expenses, and telephone expenses main key factors in overall budget increases.

The water budget reflects an increase in overall salary which will include a cost-of-living increase of 3.0% January 2023 and a merit increase of up to 2.0% mid-June.

Chemical expense is up due to Chlorine increasing over 100% from last year as well as the other chemicals used increasing.

Maintenance of equipment included \$821,000.00 for filter maintenance, \$260,000.00 for high service/raw water pump & motor maintenance.

Electrical costs going up due to Stillhouse Water Plant running a full year. This plant is on a Co-Op and the cost is more.

Projecting to treat twelve billion gallons this budget year.

The proposed rate will be .78/1000 gallons, up from .73/1000 gallons.

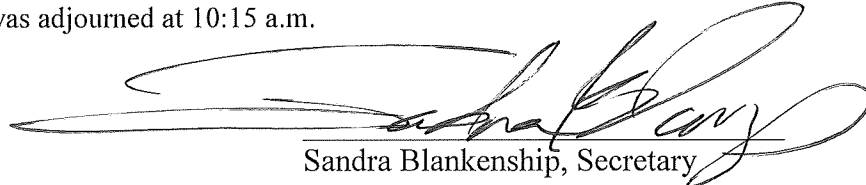
Wastewater: similar in what changes affect new budget as in water budget with salaries and chemical costs.

Operating expenses had additional funds put in for grinding of compost. Grinding services have increased. Sludge disposal up from last year. Maintenance of equipment was increased by \$190,000.00 for SCADA system upgrades for both Plant 1 and 3

Capital Improvements down from previous year, however, it includes a new pickup for Plant 1 for \$46,000.00; bagging system, bags, and sealer for \$30,500.00 for compost facility.

The proposed rate will be 1.06/1000 gallons, up from .96/1000 gallons.

There being no further business, President Robinson made a motion to adjourn, and it was seconded by Director Grandy. The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.



Sandra Blankenship, Secretary  
Board of Directors

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