

December 5, 2022

The Board of Directors of Bell County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1 of Bell County, Texas met in Regular Session, open to the public, in the Conference Room, 201 South 38th Street, Killeen, Texas 76543, at 09:00 a.m., on the 5th day of December 2022, and the roll was called of the duly constituted officers and members of the Board.

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 Shirley Fleming, BCCBD; Stacy and Charles Wilson, BCCBD; Louise Minor, citizen; Buddy Seamons, Citizen; Sharetta and Oswald Petite, Citizens; Jennifer Warner, citizen; Emilio Fenderzer, citizen; Theresa Lafleur, citizen; Riakas Adams, C of Killeen Council; Sharina Elmore, citizen; Lynda Nash, C of HH Council; Ana Luise; LULAC; Jessica Gonzales, C of K Council.

With all said members present except the following absentee(s): Blair Williams (resigned), John Fisher (lost election), thus constituting a quorum.

A person in the audience requested to speak on Agenda Item #4 of the new business. President Robinson called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Before the consent items, President Robinson made an agenda order change and stated that the newly elected board members would be sworn in. He and Mr. Ricky Wilson were sworn in and Mr. Wilson took his place at the table

The first item of business was the consent items, which included the minutes of the regular Board Meeting, held on October 24, 2022, approval of minutes of November 14, 2022 meeting and October Financial Statements. A motion was made by Secretary Blankenship to approve the minutes of the October 24, 2022 as presented and seconded by Director Treadway. All members present approved the motion unanimously.

The next item was to discuss and consider approval of the minutes of November 17, 2022. A motion was made by Director Grandy to approve the minutes and seconded by Director Treadway. All members present approved the motion unanimously.

The next item was to discuss and consider approval of financial statements for October 2022. Natasha Keeney went over both the water and wastewater financial statements. Water spent 47.0% of their total budget and wastewater spent 39.0% through October. A motion was made by Secretary Blankenship to approve the October financial statements and seconded by Director Treadway. All members present approved the motion unanimously. Ms. Keeney informed the visitors of our fiscal year starting May 1st.

New Business Items: The first item was the election of officers for the next two (2) year term. A motion was made by Director Treadway to keep Mr. Robinson as President and seconded by Director Wells. All members present approved the motion unanimously.

A motion was made by President Robinson to elect Mr. Kenny Wells as Vice-President and was seconded by Director Treadway. All members present approved the motion unanimously.

A motion was made by Director Treadway to keep Mrs. Blankenship as Secretary and seconded by Director Wells. All members present approved the motion unanimously.

The next item was to discuss and consider the resignation of Vice President Williams. After a brief discussion a motion was made by Vice-President Wells to approve the resignation and was seconded by Director Treadway. All members present approved the motion unanimously.

At this time, Mr. Rosenberg was called upon to make his 3-minute public comment on the subject of vacancy for PCT 7. He introduced himself and stated that he would be very interested in filing the unexpired term.

The next item was to discuss approach to filling director for Precinct 7. President Robinson stated that there was a 60-day window to filling the unexpired term. President Robinson asked the board for any recommendation as to the length of time to fill the vacancy. Director Treadway made a motion that a press release and notice be posted on the website as to the vacancy and seconded by Vice President Wells. All members present approved the motion unanimously. Secretary Blankenship made a motion to have all applications presented to the board within 45 days and the motion was seconded by Director Treadway. When asked if there was any other comment, Vice President Wells amended the prior motion to receive applications within 30 days and seconded by Director Grandy. All member voted in favor of the amended motion except Secretary Blankenship.

The final item was to discuss and consider authorizing the General Manager to proceed with the necessary project components including the design-build contract with Rpower, Woodlands, Texas, the Atmos metering station and the Oncor transformer purchase in the not to exceed amount of \$15,997,700 to complete the 10-Megawatt standby generation project and take the appropriate action. Mr. Garrett, General Manager, gave an overview of the progress from start to present on the standby backup generation project with a power point. After a brief discussion of the cost breakdowns, Secretary Blankenship made motion to amend previous original standby generation authorization for 12.1 million to the new amount of \$15,997,700 and seconded by Director Treadway. All member voted in favor of the motion except Vice President Wells.

Staff Reports: Trevor Butler, Wastewater Superintendent, informed the board that Plant 1 is averaging 11.0mgd; peak was 17mgd. Filter backwash pump came in and is installed. Three other driveshafts from other filters break; between spare parts and borrowing other driveshafts from the filter needing the pump, we were able to maintain 3 filters. Chlorine contact basin coating project is completed. The old rusted weir was replaced with a new stainless steel one.

Plant 3 overall is doing well and is averaging 4.0 mgd, peak is 5.5mgd. SBR Basin diffusers should be in this week. New vertical turbine pump for the plant process water finally came in and was successfully installed by the vendor. The pump was ordered June 23, 2022.

Bruce Sorenson, Chief Operator has moved on. Ernesto Ortiz, Chief Operator of Plant 1 is currently handling operations of both plants. The other operators at this plant are well trained and do not need a lot of supervision.

Compost turner clutch is finally complete. It was tested by turning all windrows on site. Compost bags are in design phase. Once design phase is complete, it should be 2-week lead time to print the bags. Used a simple design with our logo, phone number, and QR code to the Compost website.

Keith Baker, Deputy General Manager, gave an update on both lake levels; Lake Belton down 13 feet and Lake Stillhouse down 10.5 feet. Belton plant treatment is 21.5mgd low, 25.0mgd mid; and max is 30.4.mgd.

Stillhouse Plant has a high service pump out of service. A raw water pump needs to be pulled to be evaluated. It hasn't worked as designed since the beginning.

Mr. Garrett, General Manager, stated that a new PFAS testing requirement may become a regulated compound test by the T.C.E.Q. It might impact our bio-solids. There is also a new lead & copper rule. Will be required to inventory all service lines; what they re made of. This is more for the municipalities. Effective in 2024.

Working with Dongin Semichem new company coming to town to evaluate their chemicals coming into the sewer plant.

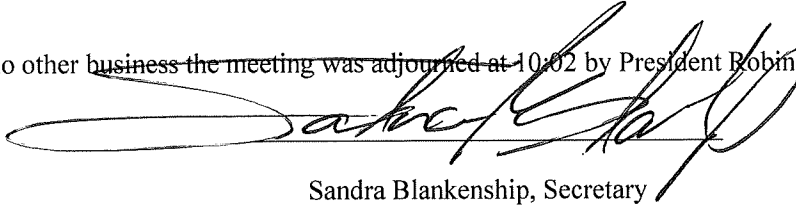
New law in effect from "URI" authorizing ERCOT to add fees to electric users. We're working on how it will affect us.

Coordinating with the City of Belton on continuing service plan while tank is out of service.

City of Harker Heights reached out for assistance in operating their sewer plant. District can help in emergency basis only. We both are shorthanded with qualified operators.

He will attend the City of Copperas Cove Council meeting tomorrow evening. The standby backup generation project is back on their agenda.

There being no other ~~business~~ the meeting was adjourned at 10:02 by President Robinson.



Sandra Blankenship, Secretary
Board of Directors

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