

WRWSD Board of Trustees Monday Meeting – 4/24/2023

President P. Levermore called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Roll Call: Present: Armstrong, Buskey, P. Levermore, S. Levermore, Moore, Wales, Mgr. Cahall, Supt. Pike

Minutes:

- A motion was made by Armstrong and seconded by Wales to approve the 4/8/23 Monthly Meeting minutes as distributed. A yea/nay vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.
- A motion was made by Armstrong and seconded by Wales to approve the 4/15/23 Annual Meeting minutes as distributed. A yea/nay vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

President's Report (P. Levermore): The Board was previously sent the electronic report of the monthly WRWSD gate activity to review. Based on that review, and discussion, the Board will not require that report printed on a monthly basis. Since the data is collected monthly, the Board will know it is available for review as needed, upon request.

Treasurer's Report (S. Levermore): We have some good news to report. We have spent less than 10% of our allocated chemical budget and are 25% through the year. Supt. Pike explained that the newly installed chemical dispersion/ejectors are very efficient and this is the reason for the decrease in chemical purchases. Supt. Pike noted that we typically use less chemicals this time of year and he expects an increase in purchases this summer as we will have more homes using water and higher temperatures typically require higher use of chemicals.

Manager and Plant Superintendent Report (Paul Cahall & Supt. Pike):

- Lagoon – The valve is closed. Our PH is still high at the bottom of the lagoon. Mgr. Cahall and Supt. Pike presented a proposal from Gullett to dredge the lagoon which should help correct the issue (*Motion #2023-10*). The Board discussed installing a lagoon bubbler in the future to keep the water moving and plan to build it into the 2024 budget.
- Filters – New carbon will be installed in the water filters sometime in May.
- Personnel – We have a full staff at the moment.
- Fire Hydrants – An updated report was distributed. Almost all of the hydrants have been flushed and tested. We are repairing them as we go, if needed. We hope to have all the hydrants completed in a few weeks. All hydrants will be flushed and the gears greased annually.
- New truck – We are searching for a compact truck replacement. We have \$40,000 budgeted but prices have skyrocketed. Mgr. Cahall and Supt. Pike plan to look at State bids to see what they can find and will report back to the Board next month.
- Water Usage Report – Water usage was up due to flushing the hydrants and backwashing at the Plant. Treasurer S. Levermore asked about the water tower sensor. Steve is looking into it and we do not have an update. We will follow up with him and report back to the Board next month. Supt. Pike reported that grinder calls were up. The pumps are old and replacement parts are hard to find. We are repairing them with parts on hand and replacing the cores of those that cannot be repaired. The report was discussed by the Board and it was determined to eliminate the Summary of Operations page.

Old Business:

- The Board discussed the upcoming WRWSD plant tour for community members. It was determined to hold the event on Saturday, June 17th from 11am-2pm. The Board discussed what they would like the tour to include so residents can see how their money is being spent on upgrades. Please look for further announcements on Facebook, the WPOA website and the newsletter. Signs will be posted around the community as the date approaches.
- The WRWSD Bylaw revision was sent to Attorney Tom Mayes. Trustee Buskey and Secretary Wales met with Mayes and discussed a few suggestions he made. Buskey and Wales are finalizing the document and will send a final draft to Mayes and the Board to review. We hope

to vote on a final resolution to adopt the updated bylaws in May. Once it is passed, a copy will be posted on the WPOA website.

New Business: None

Motions and Resolutions: Motion #2023-10 was made by Buskey and seconded by S. Levermore to authorize Mgr. Cahall to enter into a contract with Gullett, in an amount not to exceed \$120,000 from Sewer Reserves, to dredge the lagoon. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Board Member Concerns: None

Executive Session:

- At 6:59pm, Wales made a motion and Buskey seconded to enter into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue concerning staffing. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.
- At 7:09pm, S. Levermore made a motion and Moore seconded to exit Executive Session. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment: The motion to adjourn was made by S. Levermore and seconded by Wales. A yea/nay vote was taken. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 7:10pm.

Rhonda J. Maybriar, WRWSD Assistant Recording Secretary