

MINUTES FOR AGENDA MEETING JANUARY 9, 2024

The Board Commissioners of Water Works District 1, of Ward 1, of Calcasieu Parish, met for an Agenda Meeting held Tuesday January 9, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the Water Works District office located at 265 Parish Road in Moss Bluff.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Donna DeBarge, Joshua Thomas, Tim Aguiard, Boo O'Quinn and Glen Franklin
SUPERINTENDENT: Gerald Hoffpauir
FOREMAN: Grant Avery
POLICE JUROR: Darby Quinn

Mrs. Donna DeBarge called the meeting to order. A motion was made by Mr. Boo O'Quinn and seconded by Mr. Glen Franklin to accept the Minutes for the Regular Meeting held December 19, 2023 as presented. The motion carried with all yeas.

A discussion was held on the status of the Pinewood Road Water Line Overlay Project. Mr. Avery informed the Board that the Health Department has issued clear bacteria samples for the newly installed water lines and the subcontractor has begun installing the services.

A discussion was held on uniform shirts for the Board Members. Mr. Hoffpauir informed the Board that Assistant District Attorney Robert Kleinschmidt rendered an opinion that the Water District was permitted to provide uniform shirts for the Board with company logos.

A discussion was held on the status of the Revolving Loan Fund Application for financing the Water Treatment Plant C Project. The Board reviewed an email received from Mr. Brian Baker, Project Engineer for the Health Department's Revolving Loan Fund, stating that the Water District meets the criteria for BIL-General Supplemental which qualifies for 49% Principal Forgiveness with a maximum cap of \$3,000,000.00. However, all qualified projects are prioritized according to meeting certain criteria.

A discussion was held on the Plant B Filter Replacement Project. Mr. Hoffpauir informed the Board that the contractor has confirmed that his supplier will honor the quote for new valves as described under the provisions of Alternate 1 of the project. Meyer & Associates is in the process of preparing the document for the contractor to execute the document.

A discussion was held on the review of the Water District's Fiscal Agency. Mr. Hoffpauir informed the Board that since interest rates and service charges have increased over the past couple of year, it would be prudent to review the services of other local banks. Mr. Hoffpauir suggested further discussions at the next Regular Meeting.

A discussion was held on mandatory Sexual Harassment Training for 2024. Mr. Hoffpauir provided the Board with thumb drives for the training.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Boo O'Quinn and seconded by Mr. Glen Franklin to adjourn. The motion carried with all yeas and no nays.

Tim Aguiard, Secretary Treasurer of
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