

Lake Santee Regional Waste & Water District
Meeting Minutes
Meeting of 5-20-2021
3:30 PM
Lake Santee Community Room



1. Call to Order / Roll Call

President Paul Gosnell called the meeting to order and requested a roll call. Members present were Paul Gosnell, Greg Coffin, Larry Kiernan, Dick Veach, Dave Roa and Gordon Burgess. Also in attendance were Utility Administrator John Lecher, Utility Clerk Joyce Eddy and Utility Superintendent Brandon Litmer.

Guest introduction and short comments

Guests included – Carol Goodwin.

Carol asked the Board to review the subject of lake level in the winter and possible causes to air in the line issues as it relates to the lake reaching the 5' 9" mark below full pool.

Allie Terrell and Gerry Harstine from HomeServe were in attendance to present programs for Leak Protection and Water & Sewer Line Protection.

Strand Associates Steve Ruble and Matthew Smith were in attendance to present the results of the Disinfection Byproduct Removal Study at the water plant. They recommended implementing improvements in 4 Phases. The Board gave Strand Associates the directive to move forward with contacting IDEM on approval for Phase 1.

2. Consent Items

- a. Minutes of 4-15-2021 Meeting
- b. Financial Report
- c. Register of Claims – Water
- d. Register of Claims – Sewer

A motion was made by Greg and seconded by Dave to accept the consent items as presented. Motion carried.

3. Superintendent Report

- a. Sewer Status Report

Plant operating well

No Issues

Small scale pilot was completed with Water Solutions to compare treatment levels for removal of phosphorous.

- b. Water Status Report

Plant operating well

No issues

Flushing of water mains has been completed.

Quarterly samples for disinfection byproducts have been sent to the lab.

4. Administrator Report

- a. Status report

John request approval to accept a bid from Alt & Witzig Engineering, Inc., for Subsurface Investigation and Geotechnical Recommendations for the Chemical Building site in the amount of \$3,500.00. A motion was made by Dick and seconded by Dave. Motion carried.

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John reported that our attorney drafted a resolution for the pool fill adjustment and needed a ceiling amount. The Board agreed to make it \$200. The final resolution will be presented in next month's meeting.

John asked the Board if there was any policy on unrepaired leaks. He will seek advisement from our attorney.

b. Write-offs / adjustments.

Account #0078 requested a leak adjustment for a repair that took longer than the allowed repair period to repair. The request did not meet the guidelines of the ordinance.

Account #0323 asked for a leak adjustment in the amount of \$86.03. A motion was made by Dave and seconded by Greg to credit account #0323 for the amount of \$86.03. Motion carried.

5. Treasurer Report

Still waiting on correction to 127-6 Bond & Interest account -\$39,734.27.

6. Old Business

- a. Wetlands Project – FPBH will be on the water taking water samples, recording water depths and silt depths.
- b. Napoleon Water Update – Project completion expected on 5/21/2021.
- c. Strand Associates report on Phosphorus Removal Project – Strand working on design.
- d. Strand Associates report on Disinfection Byproducts Study- Reported earlier in the meeting.
- e. Quote for water main repair/replacement at north bridge. Brandon presented a quote for \$9,750 from Holman Excavating. Pipe prices are rising with no price protection. A motion was made by Larry and seconded by Gordon to approve the repair not to exceed \$11,000. Motion carried.

7. New Business

None

8. Trustee Reports and Comments – none this month

9. Adjourn

Respectfully Submitted by
John Lecher, Utility Administrator

These minutes are subject to approval by the LSRWWD Board at the 6-17-2021 meeting.