

South Toledo Bend Water District



3260 Little Flock Road • Many, LA. 71449



Malcolm Franks, President • Michael Pitt, Vice President
Michael Walker, Secretary/Treasurer
Commissioners: Tim Collins •

Minutes of South Toledo Bend Water Board

January 4, 2024

Board Members Present: Malcolm Franks, Mike Walker, Mike Pitt, Tim Collins

Others Present: Rick Leonard, Mark McCarty (Meyers), Richard Campbell (NewGen Strategies),
Shawnette Newby

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Malcolm Franks. A prayer was said, the roll was called and there was a quorum to conduct business.

A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Mike Pitt, 2nd by Tim Collins, motion passed unanimously.

No public present.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The minutes of the December 7th meeting were brought to the floor for approval. A motion to approve the December meeting minutes was made by Mike Walker, 2nd by Tim Collins, motion passed unanimously.
2. Update on project: Mark McCarty presented an update on the projects. Layne re-chlorinated the well and took a new sample earlier in the week. The tank installation at Beaver Hill is complete. Apeck is working on site piping and will begin work on pump pads next. Control panel is being tested at the manufacturer now. Coastal provided an updated delivery email. Tank contractor has moved to Esto to construct the new tank. Once Beaver Hill has returned to operation the tank at Park Site will be dismantled. Continental still needs to schedule the coating repair.
3. Rate Study: Richard Campbell (NewGen Strategies) was present. His company was hired by the State to do the rate study that was required by Water Sector. This was discussed at length.
4. The treasurer's report for December was presented by Mike Walker. The bank balance sheet and a list of checks written was given to each board member. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Tim Collins, 2nd by Mike Pitt, motion passed.
5. A motion authorizing payment of the bills was made by Mike Pitt, 2nd by Tim Collins, motion passed.
6. Commissioner review: Malcolm introduced Shawnette Newby to the board members as a possible replacement for Donald Owen. Malcolm asked Ms. Newby if she was willing to serve as a commissioner on the board and she agreed. All members agreed to the appointment. A motion was made by Tim Collins that we nominate Shawnette Newby as the new commissioner of the South Toledo Bend Water District to replace Donald Owen, 2nd by Mike Walker, agreed by all, motion passed unanimously.

The voting was as follows: AYES 4 NAYS 0 ABSTAINED 0

A letter will be sent to the police jury asking that they accept the recommendation of this board.

7. 3rd phase project update: We are ready to go to bid for a general contractor for the building. The bid notice will come out in the Index on 1-10-24.
8. Adoption of Assessment & Maintenance plans: A motion was made by Tim Collins that we adopt a ground storage tank assessment and maintenance plan to be implemented in a timely basis every 3-5 years on a rotational basis, 2nd by Mike Pitt, agreed by all, motion passed unanimously. A motion was made by Tim Collins to adopt an assessment and maintenance plan for wells #1 and #2, at the Esto booster site, on a rotational basis, flow tested and the necessary maintenance performed, with no more than 3 years between testing, 2nd by Mike Walker, all agreed, motion passed unanimously.
9. Toro Ridge subdivision: A motion was made by Tim Collins to rescind the 2018 Toro Ridge subdivision agreement of the tap fee of \$425.00 and reinstate it with the current tap fee amount, 2nd by Mike Walker, all agreed, motion passed unanimously.
10. Rick Leonard presented the Superintendent's report for December 2023 to the Board:
 - All monthly State reports and samples sent to LADHH.
 - For the month of December, the plant processed 6,400,000 gals of water @ an average of 206,451 gals. per day and shipped out 6,241,360 gals. of water @ an averaging of 201,334 gals. per day. Used 158,640 gallons for backwashing.
 - Purchased: (SRA) 8,387,000 Sold 3,336,000 Difference 5,051,000 % 52.4
 - HACH (push to March agenda)
 - Catch basin at Esto
 - TTHM letters

A motion to accept the superintendent's monthly report was made by Tim Collins, 2nd by Mike Walker, motion passed.

11. Announcements/Comments: NONE

12. There was no other business and a motion to adjourn was made by Mike Pitt, 2nd by Mike Walker, motion passed.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Thursday, February 1, 2024, AT 5:30 PM

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