

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 • Shawnette Newby

Minutes of South Toledo Bend Water Board

July 11, 2024

Board Members Present: Malcolm Franks (via phone), Michael Pitt, Michael Walker, Tim Collins, Shawnette Newby (via phone)
Others Present: Mark McCarty (Meyers & Associates)
Absent: Rick Leonard (Superintendent)

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

A motion to adopt the agenda as presented was made by Tim Collins, 2nd by Malcolm Franks, motion passed.

No public present.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The minutes of the June 6 & June 26 special call meeting were brought to the floor for approval. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Mike Walker, 2nd by Tim Collins, motion passed.
2. Update on project: Mark McCarty provided a project update sheet. LDH Pay Request #24 will be signed tonight and submitted to the State for approval.

At Beaver Hill & Park Site, the bladder tanks have been installed. The pumps at both locations appear to be operating more smoothly. At Esto, they are close to having the piping complete on the aerators. The second tank is almost complete. The wells have power. The main control panel has been installed. The Esto SCADA panel and generator are the only remaining items yet to be received. A quote was provided from Coastal for a packaged cleaning system for the aerators. This was discussed at length.

3. Treasurer's report: Board members were provided a bank balance sheet along with a list of checks written. A motion to accept the June treasurer's report as presented was made by Tim Collins, 2nd by Malcolm Franks, motion passed.
4. A motion authorizing payment of the bills was made by Tim Collins, 2nd by Mike Walker, motion passed.
5. 2025 Budget: This was discussed at length.
6. CDARS update
7. Insurance renewal: This will be discussed at the August meeting.
8. 3rd phase project update: Mike Pitt gave an update on the progress of the building. An estimate from the contractor for the 2nd phase of the plant build was provided to the board. This includes the inside framing, rough-in electrical, some plumbing, AC top out, install wall insulation and to do the sheet rock in the framed area. This is to get everything roughed in and framed up on the inside. The drive-thru and the windows were discussed.

9. New building driveway: There was a full discussion on this.
10. Superintendent's report: There was a failure of the main plant generator during the last storm. Previously, a board that starts the generator automatically when the power goes out went bad, and we were waiting on this to be replaced. The technician came out and said that a board in the generator itself has also gone bad and that's why we couldn't start the generator, manually. It will run about \$10,000 for the repair. Mike said Rick spoke with LRWA and they said they have generators ready for use and he said he thinks they're big enough to handle our load. Also, he said that if we're in a bind and can't come get it, they will haul it to you. Tim said we can also go rent one, if need be. It would be on a trailer, and you just have to plug it in. Mike Pitt asked if all were in agreement to renting a generator if we find it would cost less than \$10,000 for 3 months, all members agreed.

OLD BUSINESS:

11. Vehicle update: None
12. Intake structure: None
13. Announcements/Comments: None
14. There was no other business and a motion to adjourn was made by Shawnette Newby, 2nd by Mike Walker, motion passed.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Thursday, August 1, 2024, AT 5:30 PM
South Toledo Bend Water Plant – 3260 Little Flock Road, Many, LA 71449
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