

Minutes of the Southside Steering Committee
Regional Water Supply Facilities Project
Wednesday, May 19, 2021, 10:00 a.m.

The Lake O' the Pines Southside Steering Committee met in an open meeting on Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. The meeting was held at the Northeast Texas Municipal Water District's Executive Office located at 4180 FM 250 S, Hughes Springs, Texas. Notice of the meeting was legally posted. A quorum was present. An opportunity was provided for public comments before any action was taken by the Southside Steering Committee. Seating was specially arranged to assure every person was more than six feet apart.

The meeting was called to order by Jack Salmon, Jr. He welcomed everyone to the meeting, recognized the guests, and invited guests to make public comments. Fred Thomas gave the invocation. No public comments were made.

The following steering committee voting delegates were present:

Susan Whitfield	-	Diana SUD
Jeanette Orms	-	City of Ore City
Glenn Hobbs	-	Tryon Road SUD

The following additional persons participated in the steering committee:

Jack Salmon, Jr.	-	NETMWD
Fred Thomas	-	Diana SUD
Greg Price	-	Diana SUD
Mike Dunn	-	Tyron Road SUD
Joseph W. Weir, III	-	NETMWD
Walt Sears	-	NETMWD
Dominik Sobieraj	-	NETMWD
Robyn Goodson	-	NETMWD

On a motion by Jeanette Orms and a second by Susan Whitfield, the minutes of the April 21, 2021 meeting were approved as presented. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Dominik Sobieraj gave the Operations Manager report:

Raw water quality is good, and turbidity in our clarifiers is improving to levels close to filtered quality. Rising water temperatures requires more diligence to keep our water stable and to deliver high-quality water – giving our customers the best results possible related to possible nitrification concerns.

- Installing ATI Chlorine and Ph analyzers,
- Working to complete consumer confidence reports for member cities,
- Met with Robert Durham from DFS, installing new SonicWall/Firewall at Tanner plant,
- discussed an update to outdated and close to obsolete Hypertec 2 – this will be converting to Hypertec 4 after we get quotes, eliminating unnecessary phone lines – Hypertec 2, and discussed future of DFS / Repair – Service analysis and training.

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- Waiting for gate cameras to be installed at Tanner Plant / NVR system,
- Purchased two new Hartwell CL2 – Rotameter/Regulator assemblies – part of resiliency and safe chlorine withdraw limits, rebuilding old ones as standbys units,
- Held a safety meeting on May 12th – Covering heat/workplace safety,
- Waiting on PLC replacement parts to finish installation of new caustic pump,
- Finished Cyber Security Resilience questionnaire with Department of Homeland Security – we have report ready which will be part of our certification,
- Finishing WINTER EVENT report/findings/conclusions,
- Held BBQ for our plant employees,
- Working with Osiris on 2021-2022 budget,
- Preparing bids for tank inspections, chlorine crane certification, and annual meter certification,
- The new generator unit is rescheduled for delivery due to heavy rains this week, and the pad is clean and ready.

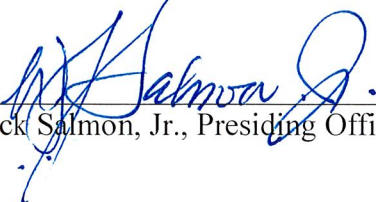
Susan Whitfield made a motion to approve the April 2021 Southside financial report. Glenn Hobbs seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Mr. Sears updated the Committee on the flood planning group. Mr. Sears informed the Steering Committee that the flood planning group met earlier this month. Engineer selection were made by the flood planning group. Mr. Sears mentioned the significant amounts of channelization in the Sulphur River Basin and the timing of when the Technical Memorandum is due to Texas Water Development Board (January 2022).

Mr. Sears provided comments about the regular session of the Texas Legislature. This regular session ends this month and a special session about redistricting is anticipated for later this Fall. The current session is making some changes to water law. Two significant bills are SB3 and SB10. SB 3 is about changes for power and water due to the winter storm. SB 10 is about preventing all cities and counties from lobbying. It was suggested that the bill may be revised so that lobbying would remain but more transparency about lobbying would be required.

On a motion by Glenn Hobbs and a second by Susan Whitfield the next meeting of the Committee was set for June 23, 2021. Motion carried, all voting aye.

The Southside Steering Committee meeting was adjourned on a motion by Jeanette Orms and a second by Susan Whitfield. Motion carried, all voting aye.



Jack Salmon, Jr., Presiding Officer