

Minutes of the Southside Steering Committee  
Regional Water Supply Facilities Project  
Wednesday, July 21, 2021, 10:00 a.m.

The Lake O' the Pines Southside Steering Committee met in an open meeting on Wednesday, July 21, 2021 at 10:05 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.

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. Jack Salmon, Jr. gave the invocation. No public comments were made.

The following steering committee voting delegates were present:

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| Steve Baker      | - | Tryon Road SUD   |
| Jeanette Orms    | - | City of Ore City |
| Greg Price       | - | Diana SUD        |
| Jack Salmon, Jr. | - | NETMWD           |

The following additional persons participated in the steering committee:

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| Glenn Hobbs         | - | Tryon Road SUD |
| Joseph W. Weir, III | - | NETMWD         |
| George Otstott      | - | NETMWD         |
| Walt Sears          | - | NETMWD         |
| Dominik Sobieraj    | - | NETMWD         |
| Robyn Goodson       | - | NETMWD         |

On a motion by Greg Price and a second by Steve Baker, the minutes of the June 23, 2021 meeting were approved as presented. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Dominik Sobieraj gave the Operations Manager report:

- Raw water quality is moderate to good. We have been dealing with modest color issues. Tanner Plant used carbon to reduce color levels. NETMWD produced water that meets all District, State, and Federal requirements,
- Ore City, we are preparing site and connection for better and more reliable control at their meter,
- Fixed issues with new caustic pump / SCADA programming and PLC operation,
- Started work on ammonia bulk tank storage building by creating additional vents,
- Internet at Tanner Plant had been installed to a new fiber-optic DFS, that runs the new SonicWall/Firewall at the Tanner Plant,
- Security cameras and recording NVR are 90% finished. Expecting a fully functional system by the end of July,
- Annual meter certification is expected to be done within the next 3 weeks,
- Annual chemical bid requests have been sent out,
- Annual tank inspections bid requests were sent out with action anticipated in August,

- Cybersecurity reliance certification has been submitted,
- Renewal of our discharge permit has been granted by TCEQ (good for 5 years),
- Staff/Safety meeting scheduled for July 29th topics will be lock out, tag out and confine space safety,
- Received information about dewatering sludge and possible expansion of clearwell storage from Kent Riker with Providence Engineering,
- New generator at the raw water intake has been installed and it is working and rental unit has been returned, and,
- Received one bid for the raw water pump replacement. Bid was modestly higher than budgeted amount.

The Steering committee discussed options about the pump project. By consensus the committee requested the rebid of the raw water pump replacement project. It was noted that the perspective of the committee would be shared with the NETMWD Board of Directors.

Steve Baker made a motion to approve the June 2021 Southside financial report. Jeanette Orms seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Jeanette Orms made a motion to approve the three-month review and give authorization to make adjusting entries for variable operating expenses based on actual production for April, May and June 2021. Steve Baker seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

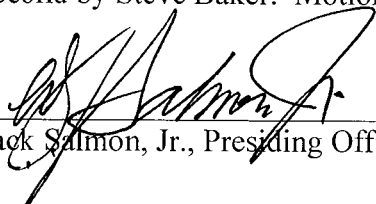
The draft budget for the next fiscal year, starting October 1, 2021 was discussed. The Southside Steering Committee did not suggest any changes in the draft budget.

Mr. Sears updated the committee on the flood planning group. Mr. Sears informed the Steering Committee that progress is moving slowly, but the planning group meets monthly.

Mr. Sears informed the committee that Region D met in March and will have its first in person meeting on August 4, 2021.

On a motion by Steve Baker and a second by Greg Price, the next meeting of the committee was set for August 18, 2021. Motion carried, all voting aye.

The Southside Steering Committee meeting was adjourned on a motion by Greg Price and a second by Steve Baker. Motion carried, all voting aye.

  
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Jack Salmon, Jr., Presiding Officer