

Minutes of the Southside Steering Committee
Regional Water Supply Facilities Project
November 17, 2021, 10:00 a.m.

The Lake O' the Pines Southside Steering Committee met in an open meeting on Monday, November 17, 2021 at 10:03 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 George Otstott. He welcomed everyone to the meeting, recognized the guests, and invited guests to make public comments. Steve Baker gave the invocation. No public comments were made.

The following steering committee voting delegates were present:

Steve Baker	-	Tryon Road SUD
Susan Whitfield	-	Diana SUD
Jeanette Orms	-	City of Ore City
George Otstott	-	NETMWD

The following additional persons participated in the steering committee:

Glenn Hobbs	-	Tryon Road SUD
Greg Price	-	Diana SUD
Fred Thomas	-	Diana SUD
Joseph W. Weir, III	-	NETMWD
Walt Sears	-	NETMWD
Dominik Sobieraj	-	NETMWD
Robyn Goodson	-	NETMWD
Aracely Reyes	-	NETMWD

On a motion Steve Baker and a second by Susan Whitfield, the minutes of the October 18, 2021 meeting were approved as presented. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Dominik Sobieraj gave the Operations Manager report:

Raw water quality is good. We are expecting temperatures to start dropping and raw water quality improves as we transition to Fall.

- KSA moving on Raw Water Pump and Motor #2 replacement, preconstruction meeting was held on Nov. 3rd,
- Secured removal of current pump for 6-8 weeks before delivery of new one at the raw water intake,
- Continuing work on transitioning from lookout HMI to HYPERTECH HMI for improved filter control,
- Still working on rewriting software program for Daingerfield DFS SCADA communication to eliminate ghost alarms,
- Taking final quotes on actuators and influent valves for Tanner Plant,

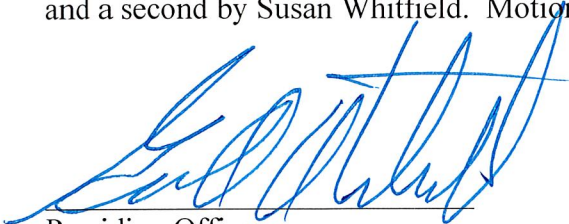
- Working on RMP and ERP as well as completing SB3 step one,
- Filter #5 crack has been fixed and it was tested in mid-November,
- Working on redundant line for water plant. Completion scheduled within next 6 weeks,
- Distributing tank reports to all member cities and participating systems,
- Working on rewriting PLC programming for City of Avinger elevated storage tank,
- Received quote for hook up and programming for elevated storage tank view for city of Lone Star,
- Received VPN access and screen built for us to see City of Daingerfield elevated storage tank,
- Stephen Barnes, Hughes Springs City Manager, has granted access to Hughes Springs elevated storage tank level, and
- Replaced broken flow meter used by NETMWD for deliveries to City of Lone Star.

Susan Whitfield made a motion to approve the October 2021 Southside financial report. Steve Baker seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

It was noted that U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services are possibly listing the Alligator Snapping Turtles for protection. Part of an Alligator Snapping Turtles' diet includes mussels. Native mussels help purify our water. Invasive mussels like Zebra mussels can become over populated and can upset the balance of the water quality. The more naturally occurring purification helps lessen the need for artificial purification. That helps to reduce the chemical cost of water purification.

On a motion by Steve Baker and a second by Susan Whitfield, the next meeting of the committee was set for December 15, 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.



Presiding Officer