

Minutes of the Southside Steering Committee  
Regional Water Supply Facilities Project  
December 15, 2021, 10:00 a.m.

The Lake O' the Pines Southside Steering Committee met in an open meeting on Wednesday, December 15, 2021 at 10:02 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
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
Walt Sears	-	NETMWD
Dominik Sobieraj	-	NETMWD
Robyn Goodson	-	NETMWD
Aracely Reyes	-	NETMWD

On a motion by Susan Whitfield and a second by Steve Baker, the minutes of the November 17, 2021 meeting were approved as presented. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Dominik Sobieraj gave the Operations Manager report:

Raw water quality is good. Forecasting those conditions will last throughout month of December – with probability of more rains. Expecting temperatures to continue to drop and raw water quality to improve throughout the end of fall.

- Smith Pump visited Tanner Raw Water Intake on Dec 8<sup>th</sup> for raw water pump #2 replacement project
- Tanner Industries rescheduled replacement of all old valves on Ammonia bulk tank to the first week of 2022
  - 150 lbs. cylinder of Ammonia is at the Tanner Plant and ready to use.
  - Completion of valve replacement will ensure safe exploitation of ammonia gas bulk tank for decades to come.
  - Will be moving to the last stage of ammonia feed system replacement shortly after

- Continuing work on transitioning from lookout HMI to HYPERTECH HMI for filter controls
  - About 80% done
- Still working on rewriting program for Daingerfield DFS SCADA communication to eliminate ghost alarms (several years)
- Expecting first “Beck” Actuator and new valve to be delivered second or third week of December
  - Now have all pieces on hand and plan to finish installation within next 3 weeks.
- Filter #5 cracks have been fixed and it will be tested as soon as new actuator and valve are installed.
- Working on redundant line for water plant. (parts are on order)
- Mitch West announced his resignation as of January 28<sup>th</sup>
- After posting two job openings on INDEED and on NETMWD Web Site we received over 20 applications.
  - Dec 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>, Dominik, Glenn and Osiris, hosted several interviews and selected two
  - Job offers have been extended to Mr. Marcus Harris to start on Jan 3<sup>rd</sup> and Mr. Aaron Jedlick to start on Jan 31<sup>st</sup>

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

On a motion by Steve Baker and a second by Susan Whitfield, the next meeting of the committee was set for January 19, 2022. Motion carried, all voting aye.

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



Presiding Officer