

Minutes of the Southside Steering Committee
Regional Water Supply Facilities Project
Wednesday, August 18, 2021, 10:00 a.m.

The Lake O' the Pines Southside Steering Committee met in an open meeting on Wednesday, August 18, 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:

Steve Baker	-	Tryon Road SUD
Susan Whitfield	-	Diana SUD
Jeanette Orms	-	City of Ore City
Jack Salmon, Jr.	-	NETMWD

The following additional persons participated in the steering committee:

Greg Price	-	Diana SUD
Mike Dunn	-	Tyron Road SUD
Glenn Hobbs	-	Tyron Road SUD
Joseph W. Weir, III	-	NETMWD
George Otstott	-	NETMWD
Walt Sears	-	NETMWD
Dominik Sobieraj	-	NETMWD
Robyn Goodson	-	NETMWD
Robert Speight	-	NETMWD

On a motion by Steve Baker and a second by Jeanette Orms, the minutes of the July 21, 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 are experiencing an episode of high manganese concentrations lasting anywhere from 2 to 5 days. Those manganese spikes are caused by high water temperature, dissolved oxygen depletion, and additional factors. We are addressing those issues by adjusting treatment and increasing the oxidation of manganese with chlorine. The treatment techniques enable the finished water to be well above the quality requirements.

- KSA submitted and published a rebid at the raw water pump #2 replacement at the Tanner Plant,
- A reliable meter is being installed at Ore City, it is a 6" mechanical turbine meter with a strainer,

- Continuing work on re-piping in the lab for improved quality control,
- Continuing clean up at the Tanner Plant,
- A small leak on the new roof located at the drain connector occurred. Contacted the roofing company, they addressed the issue within 48 hours,
- A transmission line from the Tanner plant to Hughes Springs has a leaking seal/solenoid, we are addressing the leak,
- Annual meter certification has been performed,
- Annual Chemical bids are scheduled to be opened on August 30th,
- Staff and Safety meetings are being held monthly,
- A warranty check of the new generator batteries was scheduled on August 18th with Clifford Power, and
- We are continuing the member city and customer lunch and plant tours.

We received two annual tank inspection bids. The first bid was in the amount of \$23,000, this included a diver. The second bid was in the amount of \$6,440, this included a video method only. After discussion, the Southside Committee recommended the acceptance of the lower bid. On a motion made by Susan Whitfield and a second by Steve Baker, it was recommended that the bid of \$6,440 be accepted. Motion carried, all voting aye.

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

Mr. Sears updated the committee on the flood planning group. Mr. Sears introduced Robert Speight to further inform the committee about channelization in the Sulphur River Basin and how it affects the environment. Also discussed were possible sources of pollution near Lake O' the Pines that are impacted by flood flows across those places.

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.

On a motion by Steve Baker and a second by Jeanette Orms, the next meeting of the committee was set for September 22, 2021. 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.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jack Salmon, Jr." followed by "for Jack Salmon". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Jack Salmon, Jr., Presiding Officer