

Regular Meeting
January 4, 2018

Chairman Mr. Robinson called the regular meeting of the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners of the City of Saraland, Alabama to order at 5:30 P.M. at the Saraland Water Service Conference room with the following Board Members present:

Present:

Mr. H. O'Neil Robinson
Mr. Ron Mitchell
Mr. Scooter Thronson
Mr. Jackie Haines
Mr. James Davis

Absent:

Ms. Carah Hall, Board Engineer and Mr. Raymond Bell, Board Attorney was present.

Mr. Robinson opened the meeting with prayer.

Old Business:

Mr. Robinson asked for an update on the building for storing equipment. Ms. Hall informed the Board that herself and Mr. Hennis started to talk on this subject and need to discuss things further, but hoping to bring information to the Board soon.

Ms. Hall brought before the Board the changed in contract price order from Nordan Contracting Company, Inc for emergency sewer line at Celeste Road at I-65. Mr. Thronson made motion to authorize the expenditures to revise the amount in conjunction with the change order for the reduced amount for the contract the Board originally made motion to pay with Nordan Contracting Company, Inc. Mr. Davis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Mr. Robinson started the discussion of Test Well contract. Ms. Hall informed the Board the contract was awarded to Griner Drilling Service and has brought the contract to be signed. Griner Drilling Service will start the work within two weeks upon receiving signed contract.

Mr. Robinson asked for the final closeout and acceptance for Cherry Hill Unit 2 sewer utilities. Ms. Hall informed the board that the last item she has turned in was the Warranty Bond on this project. The next item was to get a contract.

New Business:

Mr. Robinson started the discussing the contract for Kushla and Turnerville Water. Mr. Bell addressed the Board informed them at this time he is looking for an old contract between the City of Saraland and the two utility companies so repetition will be eliminated in the new contract with Saraland Water and Sewer Service. After further discussing Mr. Mitchell made motion for Mr. Bell to draw up a contract with Turnerville and Kushla Utility Company with a five (5) year limit and list a renewal date, as soon as possible and submit it to the Board. Mr. Davis second the motion. Motion passed.

Mr. Robinson asked the Board to decide when should the Smoke Testing on the Sewer Lines should start. The first of February was mention.

Mr. Robinson started the discussing of equipment to purchase for the Sewer Department. After further discussion Mr. Bell pointed out to the Board that Mr. Hennis first needs to look at the State Book list, if equipment that is needed now is not there, then he is to draw up specs for bids. The Board decided to Table this item until next meeting.

Mr. Robinson added that he strongly believes that two heavy duty trailer to haul the equipment around the City instead of driving this equipment on the roads, causing traffic problems and dangerous situation should be considered.

Mr. Robinson also addressed to the Board of a portable welding machine and a portable burning torch. Mr. Vaughn did inform the Board that a portable welding machine is very much needed but the burning torch we already have. Mr. Mitchell made motion that if Mr. Vaughn could find a portable welding machine that cost under Seventy-five Hundred Dollars to go ahead and get it. Mr. Davis second the motion. Motion passed.

Mr. Robinson added that there is a list of equipment that is needed, but it would be discussed at a later time.

INVOICES FOR RATIFICATION:

WATER: McCrory Williams, inv#20178720, dated 11/29/2017, in the amount of \$1,765.00, re: Test Well #5. McCrory Williams, inv#20178722, dated 11/29/2017, in the amount of \$2,550.00, re: Highway 158 Waterline extension to Kali Oka Road. McCrory Williams, inv#20178740, dated 12/06/2017, in the amount of \$1,815.00, re: clerical. Mr. Thronson made motion to pay water invoices. Mr. Haines seconded. Motion passed.

SEWER: Aqua-Aerobic Systems, Inc., inv#1013401, dated 11/29/2017, in the amount of \$2,613.32, re: Diffuser Sleeve GJ-4" saddle type, diffuser hose clamp. Jim House & Associates, Inc., inv# 7887, dated 12/12/2017, in the amount of \$3,717.00, re: Lamp Assy 28" UV4000. United Rentals, inv# 152603235-001, dated 12/06/2017, in the amount of \$1,124.83, re: Forklift variable reach 5000# 16-20', Make: Genie Model: GTH-5519. McCrory Williams, payment #1-final, dated 12/22/2017, in the amount of \$85,102.00, re: Nordan Contracting Co., Inc. Mr. Haines made motion to pay the sewer invoices. Mr. Thronson seconded. Motion passed.

Report of Offices:

Mr. Davis informed the Board Members that the safety meeting will be held tomorrow (Friday, January 5, 2018).

Mr. Bell informed the Board of the Duke litigation, and the Board has been served, it references a lawsuit dated back in the Nineties, through an insurance company and Mr. Bell will start his research and get back to the Board.

Mr. Gilbert addressed the Board with the P&L. The Board Members were pleased with this form of the P&L, Mr. Mitchell added that the Board would like for Mr. Gilbert to present to them a Quarterly Balance sheet, but to continue a regular monthly P&L.

Ms. Hall addressed and informed the Board that the water line (8" line) on Highway 158 is finished being drilled, and the contractors will pull the line tomorrow (Friday), therefore half of the force main will be in, then the contractors will move across the Street and start on the 10" line.

Ms. Stallman informed the Board Members that, Ms. Hall, Mr. Hennis, Mr. Robinson and herself had a meeting to discuss what the needs would be as far as the Restore Act. Ms. Hall's idea is to CIPP with the interceptor lines in the creeks also damage manholes. Ms. Stallman informed the Board that the application's deadline is next Tuesday (January 9) and she has brought the forms for Signatures. Ms. Stallman added, the application deadline for the County CDBG project of lining Shelton Beach Estates, is due February 12, so she will send the information to the Board Members.

Correspondence:

Ltr from Alabama Department of Environment Management, dtd 11/14/2017, re: Water Supply Permit #2018-505.

Email from Saraland Area Chamber of Commerce, dtd 12/01/2017, re: December 2017 Newsletter.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Motion made by Mr. Davis to adjourn. Motion seconded by Mr. Haines. Meeting adjourned at 6:44 P.M.

ATTEST:

RATIFIED AND APPROVED:

