

**Regular Meeting  
August 4, 2022**

Chairman Mr. Mitchell 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 Saraland Water Service meeting room with the following Board members present:

Present	Absent
Mr. Jackie Haines Mr. Ron Mitchell Mr. O’Neil Robinson Mr. Scooter Thronson	Mr. James Davis

Mr. Raymond Bell of Maynard, Cooper & Gale Law Firm was not present. Ms. Cara Stallman, our grant petitioner, was present. Mr. Ray Miller of Volkert Engineering Firm was present.

Mr. Haines opened the meeting with a prayer.

**Committee Reports:**

Mr. Robinson reported since the last Board Meeting a 2” water line was repaired on Norton Avenue.

Mr. Davis reported that since the last Board Meeting forty-seven Alabama 811 locates was processed. Fifteen work orders for water and sewer were completed.

**Old Business:**

Mr. Mitchell opened the discussion for the owner of Blue Moose Car Wash to discuss high water bill. Mr. Bryan Wilson, manager of the Blue Moose Car Wash. Mr. Wilson would like to request a one-time exception on an extremely high-water bill. There was an unusual circumstance where a phase power occurred causing the system to shut down. The employees are young and did the best they could to get the system back operational. There is a ball valve, if not closed it uses water around ninety gallons a minute. Mr. Wilson stated it is a new business and would appreciate any consideration the Board should grant. Mr. Thronson made a motion to grant a one-time twenty percent discount, waiver of penalties and allow payments for eighteen months on the arrears balance, in addition the regular monthly billing will be due. In the event the business sells or closes prior to the full payment of the lien legal action will be taken for any unpaid balance. Mr. Davis seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Mitchell opened the discussion for an inflation assistance bonus for all employees in the amount of \$1000.00. After discussion Mr. Davis made a motion to grant a \$1000.00 inflation bonus. Mr. Thronson seconded. Motion passed.

**New Business:**

Mr. Mitchell informed the Board that Mr. Daryl Taylor, Water Service Operator I, has given a resignation letter. After discussion Mr. Thronson made a motion to accept the resignation in good standing. Mr. Haines seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Mitchell opened the discussion on granting permission to requisition for a promotional Water Service Operator II position with the Mobile County Personnel Board. Mr. Thronson made a motion to grant permission to requisition for a promotional Water Service Operator II. Mr. Davis seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Mitchell opened the discussion on granting permission to requisition for two (2) Water Service Operator I position. Mr. Thronson made a motion to grant permission to requisition two (2) Water Service Operator II. Mr. Davis seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Mitchell presented the proposed 2022-2023 Holiday Schedule for approval same in number and occasion. Mr. Robinson made a motion to approve. Mr. Haines seconded.

Mr. Mitchell opened the discussion on approval of Volkert Engineering agreement for the Shelton Beach Estate Phase II. Mr. Haines made a motion to allow the Chairman to sign the agreement. Mr. Robinson seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Mitchell opened the discussion on renewal of the Grant Management LLC annual contract. Mr. Thronson made a motion to approve, with a 10% increase. Mr. Robinson seconded. Motion passed.

**Invoices for Ratification:**

**Water Invoice:**

- Mobile County Personnel Board, Invoice #11197, dated 7/19/2022, re: 2021-2022 Fourth Quarter Personnel Board Expense, in the amount of \$3,280.88.

Mr. Thronson made a motion to pay the invoice as listed. Mr. Davis seconded. Motion passed.

**Report of Officers:**

No Reports.

**Utilities Director:**

Mr. Vaughn reported the 80 KW generator should be delivered tomorrow.

Mr. Vaughn received a quote for the 4' elevated concrete slab to be poured on Celeste Road for the 50KW generator in the amount of \$4,050.00.

The Board unanimously agreed to add the elevated concrete slab quote located Celeste Road Lift Station for the 50 KW generator to the agenda. Mr. Thronson made a motion to add the quote to the agenda. Mr. Davis seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Haines made a motion to have Eagle Concrete install an elevated concrete slab for the 50KW generator located Celeste Road Lift Station in the amount of \$4,050.00. Mr. Thronson seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Vaughn reported the rotating assembly at Well 1 has worn out. Mr. Vaughn had a company come out for a quote to repair, the quote was in the amount of \$20,000.00. Mr. Vaughn called for a quote on the rotating assembly, quote of \$10,100.00. Mr. Vaughn pulled the old assembly out himself. Mr. Vaughn requesting permission to purchase the rotating assembly for Well 1. This item will be on the next agenda.

**Attorney's Report:**

Mr. Bell was not present.

**Engineer's Report:**

A copy of the Engineers report is in each Board Members file for review.

**Grant Petitioner's Report:**

Ms. Stallman reported next Wednesday, August 10<sup>th</sup> ADECA has a meeting about CDBG money allocation. This meeting is a listening session, I would recommend that a Saraland Water & Sewer representative attend and sign up to speak. I will furnish a list of items to discuss.

**Correspondence:**

No Correspondence.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Thronson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 P.M.

ATTEST:

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