## **Beulah Utilities District**

## Minutes of Regular Board of Directors Meeting

## October 17, 2017

W. Warner Williams Water Resource Park

## 4055 Water Street, Opelika, AL 36801

## 6:00 pm CST

The Board of Directors of Beulah Utilities District met in a regular meeting on October 17, 2017 at the W. Warner Williams Water Resource Park in Opelika.

## 1. <u>WELCOME</u>

Chairman Sims welcomed those in attendance. He recognized Jeff Hilyer, Chairman of the Opelika Utilities Board of Directors. Chairman Hilyer welcomed everyone from Beulah to the Treatment Facility and stated how valued a customer the District was to Opelika Utilities. Chairman Hilyer introduced Opelika Utilities General Manager Dan Hilyer and Project Manager Alan Lee. Dan Hilyer was recognized and also stated that Opelika valued the relationship with Beulah Utilities.

# 2. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

Chairman Sims called the meeting to order.

## 3. <u>ROLL CALL</u>

The following Board Members were present: Linda Holt, David Jackson, James Majors, Shane Franks and Lamar Sims.

## 4. **DECLARE QUORUM**

After the roll was called, Chairman Sims declared that a quorum was present.

## 5. <u>ADOPT AGENDA</u>

Chairman Sims presented the proposed agenda for adoption. Mr. Franks motioned to adopt the agenda. Motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and the agenda was unanimously adopted.

## 6. <u>APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES</u> September 19, 2017

Chairman Sims asked for approval of the minutes from the September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Regular Meeting. Mr. Jackson motioned to approve the minutes. Motion was seconded by Mr. Majors and the minutes were unanimously approved.

# 7. <u>APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS</u>

Chairman Sims reviewed the September financial statements. Mr. Majors motioned to approve the September financial statements. Motion was seconded by Ms. Holt and the September financial statements were unanimously approved.

# 8. OLD BUSINESS

## A. Engineer's Report on Pending System Updates

Mr. Houston Black was recognized to update the Board on the status of the loan application. He said that the Engineers and the USDA were still working on some paperwork. He said that the District was currently running an environmental advertisement in a local newspaper as required by USDA. He said that the Engineers informed him that tank site acquisition needs to be made a priority.

## B. Report on Potential Land Acquisition for Pending System Updates

Mr. Jackson was recognized and stated that he was in communication with several property owners and was in the process of providing them with the information that they had requested.

#### C. Proposed Maintenance Building

Mr. Black stated that there was nothing new to report. He said he was trying to set up a meeting with county officials to discuss what type of building the District could construct.

## 9. **<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>**

#### A. Clearwater Solutions Report

Mr. Black was recognized to provide the Clearwater Solutions Report.

Mr. Black briefed the Board on Clearwater's activities over the prior month. He explained to the Board that the monthly ADEM Report showed a negative water loss number due to the master meter failing to register water usage for a couple of days due to a malfunction.

He said that there was one qualifying rate adjustment for the month:

Mickey Thompson \$292.60

Mr. Jackson motioned to approve the adjustment. Motion was seconded by Ms. Holt and the adjustment was unanimously approved.

## B. Fire Dept. Report

Chief Keith Padgett was recognized to give a report on the Fire Department. He reviewed the previous month's call report. The department ran a total of 75 total calls in September. He said that several calls were related to the hurricane.

He informed the Board of the various training exercises the Department had undertaken and said that a joint training exercise with the Smiths Station Fire Department was scheduled for November.

He told the Board of some of the community activities the Department participated in during the previous week as part of Fire Prevention Week.

He said that the Department had hired a new part time firefighter, Jeffrey Harper. He explained to the Board that one of the benefits of adding part time fire fighters is dedicated nighttime staffing of the fire stations.

## 10. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

# 11. <u>CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS</u>

Commissioner Robert Ham was recognized and spoke of the relationship that existed between the District and Opelika Utilities.

Chairman Sims stated that the next Regular Meeting would be at 6:00pm C.S.T. on October 17, 2017 and would be held at the Beulah Water Department.

There being no further business, Mr. Franks motioned to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Ms. Holt and unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m. C.S.T.

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