

Minutes of the Southside Steering Committee
Regional Water Supply Facilities Project
Wednesday, January 19, 2022, 10:00 a.m.

The Lake O' the Pines Southside Steering Committee met in an open meeting on Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at 10:00 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. Fred Thomas gave the invocation. No public comments were made.

The following steering committee voting delegates were present:

George Otstott	-	NETMWD
Susan Whitfield	-	Diana SUD
Glenn Hobbs	-	Tryon Road SUD
Jeanette Orms	-	Ore City

The following additional persons participated in the steering committee:

Fred Thomas	-	Diana SUD
Will Hobbs	-	Tryon Road SUD
Walt Sears	-	NETMWD
Dominik Sobieraj	-	NETMWD
Aracely Reyes	-	NETMWD

On a motion by Susan Whitfield and a second by Glen Hobbs, the minutes of the December 15, 2021 meeting were approved as presented. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Dominik Sobieraj gave the Operations Manager report:

- Covid-19 UPDATE
 - Mike Summers tested positive on Saturday Jan 8th. 5 days quarantine followed by 5 days wearing mask to work.
 - Michel Parvino tested positive Jan 18th with symptoms starting Jan 15th. Quarantine for 10 days, not expected to work before Jan 25th.

Raw water quality is good. Forecasting those conditions may change to good/moderate with anticipated rainfalls. Expecting temperatures to continue to drop and raw water quality staying at good to moderate quality to treat as we continue through the winter and spring.

- On January 5th Tanner Industries replaced all "old" valves on Ammonia Bulk Tank
 - No more leaks on Bulk Tank
 - All valves are at safety standards and requirements
 - Preparing to tackle Ammonia Feed Room – capital project

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- Filled basin #1 with water for the next 3 months
 - Extended detention time
 - Analyzing the structural repairs needed (3 cracks)
 - Improvement of overall treatment process
- Redundant water line for Plant/Chemical water has been completed
 - Much larger chore as anticipated due to not having any representative drawings
 - We now have all plant/chemical water metered
- Transition from Lookout HMI to Hypertech2 HMI has been completed
 - Fixing seldom “bugs” as we go
- Replaced Influent Valve on filter #5
 - Beck actuator, and shafts are mounted
 - Waiting on communication wires to be replaced / weather exposure
 - Anticipating full completion within 2 weeks
- Lost Tryon Rd and Daingerfield master meters due to weather / old age
 - Replacements have been ordered
 - Looking into possibility of rebuilding from some broken units
- Hosted plant operators “farewell” dinner for Gary Watson and Mitch West. Marcus Harris started on Jan 3rd and Aaron Jedlick will start Jan 31st.

Glenn Hobbs made a motion to approve the December 2021 Southside financial report. Jeanette Orms seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.


Jeanette Orms made a motion to approve the three-month review and give authorization to make adjusting entries for variable operating expenses based on actual production for October, November and December 2021. Susan Whitfield seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Walt Sears discussed the draft 2021 FYE financial audit and discussed highlights of each of the funds. Mr. Sears noted the audit confirms that the net position improved in all funds. Mr. Sears expressed appreciation to Tryon Road SUD and Diana SUD for their financial support to the District and its member cities.

Mr. Sears updated the Committee on the flood planning group.

On a motion by Glenn Hobbs and a second by Jeanette Orms the next meeting of the Committee was set for February 23, 2022. Motion carried, all voting aye.

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


Presiding Officer