

Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes for April 02, 2024 4:00 p.m. GMWSS Administration Building 1000 West Main Street

Those present:

Les Jarvis, Chairman
Glenn Williams, Board Member
Lewis Wolfe, Board Member
Jeff Klocke, Board Member
Chase Azevedo, GMWSS
Shawn Derrington, GMWSS
Dudley Burberry, GMWSS
Jeff Nutter, GMWSS

Daryl Mulder, GMWSS
Alan Bryan, GMWSS
Barbara bowman, GMWSS
Carissa Garland, GMWSS
Jeremy Wood, GMWSS
Suzy White, leak adjustment
Tamatha Wilson, leak adjustment
Peter Wilson, G-town News-Graphic

Meeting called to order by Chairman Jarvis at approximately 3:59 p.m. on Tuesday, April 02, 2024.

Quorum was present at the meeting. Mr. Baird could not attend.

Guests of the meeting included Suzy White and Tamatha Wilson. Also present was Peter Wilson from the Georgetown News-Graphic.

A motion to approve the minutes as presented from the March 19, 2024 meeting was made by Lewis Wolfe. Second by Jeff Klocke. Motion approved.

Under Public Comments there were two (2) leak adjustments to be considered.

- 1) Suzy White was in attendance to represent her mother, Joyce Victor, of 5174 Bethel Road. The request for a leak adjustment was on the customer's billed amount of \$566.95. After discussion, Lewis Wolfe made the motion to accept a leak adjustment of half the billed amount, per policy, making the customer's responsibility \$283.48. Should GMWSS staff calculate the leak adjustment to be more than half of the \$566.95, then the customer will be given the greater adjustment making the customer's responsibility less than the \$283.48. GMWSS staff will contact Mrs. White once a final total is figured. Second by Glenn Williams. Motion approved. Ms. White left the meeting at 4:08 p.m.
- 2) Tamatha Wilson was in attendance representing Faith Way Baptist Church at Zion Hill located at 243 Zion Hill Lane. The leak adjustment request was for an additional amount from \$574.68, with the amount owed being a hardship on the church. After discussion, Glenn Willams made a motion to

lessen the amount owed by half, making the total amount owed be \$287.34. Also, that a payment plan be initiated between the church and GMWSS. Second by Jeff Klocke. Motion approved. Ms. Wilson left the meeting at 4:16 p.m.

Purchase Orders were addressed next with a total of two (2) on the agenda.

- a) Motion to pay Leak Eliminators in the amount of \$7,738.00 was made by Glenn Williams. Second by Jeff Klocke. Motion approved.
- b) Motion to pay Brenntag Mid-South, Inc. in the amount of \$11,205.00 was made by Jeff Klocke. Second by Lewis Wolfe. Motion approved.

Informational Updates were next on the agenda.

Jeff Nutter provided a Billing Update regarding the City of Sadieville and the city's splash pad. Mr. Nutter informed the Board of two leaks the City of Sadieville endured during the months of January and February. An adjustment for the city's January sewer bill was given by GMWSS per policy. Four options were suggested for an adjustment to the February bill which totaled \$2,180.07. One option would be by policy and three options would be exceptions to the policy. Mr. Nutter also asked the Board for clarity on future billing to the City of Sadieville regarding the splash pad. Chase Azevedo gave an option that a separate meter be installed and dedicated to the splash pad flows. After discussion, Chairman Jarvis suggested that the Board be given a couple of weeks to think about the information presented and that it be brought back at the next Board of Commissioners Meeting scheduled for April 16, 2024.

Shawn Derrington presented Billing Protocols – Walmart. Walmart is providing a utility bill pay service to customers, and in turn sending a check to the utility. GMWSS has recently experienced this type of payment method, which led to service being shut off at a GMWSS customer's home. A total of three accounts have been marked as late on their payment to GMWSS because of this third-party bill pay service. The Board of Commissioners suggested that educational information be provided to GMWSS customers going forward regarding this issue.

Chase Azevedo provided an update on the Lead Service Line Inventory (Discussion only).

Chase Azevedo gave an update on the South Sewer Extension (Discussion only). A presentation regarding the South Sewer project was shown in detail to the Georgetown City Council during a recent meeting.

The Legislative Update on the agenda was postponed since Jason Baird was unable to attend the meeting.

Two additional items under Informational Updates were given to the Board of Directors just prior to the meeting and after the agenda had already been printed.

Jeff Nutter went over a revised budget calendar/schedule.

Chase Azevedo provided GMWSS funding information. On behalf of the utility (GMWSS), the Board of Commissioners, Mayor Jenkins, and Judge Covington, a funding request was submitted to Senator

Thayer earlier in the month for consideration in the state budget. The request included funding for 12 efforts/projects that are currently not funded within the GMWSS revised rate structure. Projects had been previously funded in our capital projects program but had to be removed. The latest update on the funding request is that it was included in next year's State Budget and GMWSS will receive funding for all projects to the total amount of Seven Million Dollars (\$7,000,000.00). Descriptions of each project were handed out to the Board of Commissioners prior to the start of the Board Meeting. A more detailed and formal announcement of the funding will occur at a later date.

New Business was next on the agenda.

Jeff Nutter covered the KLC Unemployment Compensation Reimbursement Trust (UCRT) Dividend and asked that the Board of Commissioners approve to leave the UCRT dividend in the GMWSS account to create a hedge against potential future unemployment benefit increases. Glenn Williams made the motion to approve the request. Second by Lewis Wolfe. Motion approved.

Executive Session not needed.

Chairman Jarvis adjourned the meeting at 4:59 p.m.

Les Jarvis, Chairman

Glenn Williams, Secretary/Treasurer