

BRUNSWICK REGIONAL WATER & SEWER H2GO
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 16, 2022

OFFICIAL MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Ronnie Jenkins called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.; a quorum was present. The assembly cited the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Present from the Board of Commissioners were members Ronnie Jenkins, Chairman, Barry Laub, Vice Chairman, Rodney McCoy, Secretary, and Bill Beer. and Commissioner Steve Hosmer. Present from H2GO was Bob Walker, Executive Director, Scott Hook, Finance Officer, Ken Brown, Assistant Finance Officer, Stephanie Blair, Communications Director, and Deana Greiner, Clerk to the Board. Also present was attorney Steve Coble.

DISCUSSION/ADJUSTMENT OF AGENDA:

Chairman Jenkins opened the floor for any adjustments to the agenda. No adjustments were made. **Commissioner Hosmer made the motion to approve the agenda as presented; a vote was called, and the motion was carried unanimously.**

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner McCoy made the motion to approve the consent agenda which consisted of the October 19,2022, Regular Board Meeting Minutes. A vote was called, and the motion was carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT:

Commissioner Beer mentioned that he met with the RO Plant staff to get a better understanding of operations. Commissioner Beer mentioned the Pine Harvest manhole repairs; he said it looked as though it was going well.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Chairman Jenkins opened the floor for public comments.

No patrons were present to give comments.

OLD BUSINESS:

Release of Letter of Credit for Brunswick Forest Phase 3 Section 3C: Commissioner Hosmer made the motion to release the letter of credit for Brunswick Forest Phase 3 Section 3C as presented; a vote was called, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Bond Release for Seabrook Phase 4 Section 4 Commissioner Beer made the motion to release the bond for Seabrook Phase 4 Section 4 as presented; a vote was called, and the motion was carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

RFQ for Construction Manager At-Risk (CMAR) Services-H2GO Administrative Office Expansion: Mr. Walker presented to the board a request to send out an RFQ for a Construction Manager At-Risk Services for the remodeling of our office. Mr. Walker introduced Mr. John Thompson, the architect for this project; together they explained the benefits of having a CMAR for this project. It was said the CMAR would help manage supply issues and help control costs. After a brief discussion the board generally agreed to send out the RFQ.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

RO Water Treatment Project Update: Mr. Walker reported that so far, we have been hitting our weekly milestones in testing the different components; he explained the different areas they were working on. Mr. Walker mentioned that Harn was scheduled to be onsite next week; he said they hope to load the membranes on the first of December and start processing for testing by mid-December.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

It was said that Mr. Lane was out on vacation.

FINANCE OFFICER'S REPORT:

Check Register- October 13, 2022, through November 9, 2022: No comments were made regarding the check register.

October Financial Summary: No comments were made regarding the Financial Summaries.

COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Communications Update: Mrs. Blair shared with the board the latest screenshots of our ads in the media; she said our primary focus is the January opening.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Mr. Coble said he had nothing to report in the open session.

INFORMAL DISCUSSION:

Commissioner Laub reported to the board that Chairman Jenkins and him met with two County Commissioners regarding the sewer services within the partnership. Commissioner Laub explained that it was an excellent meeting; he said they shared with them the email conversations between Mr. Walker and Mr. Nichols. It was said the County Commissioners were unaware of what was going on. It was said they ended the meeting with the understanding they were to speak with their staff on these issues and agreed to meet again on November 22, 2022.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Commissioner Beer made the motion for the board to enter executive session to discuss Consultation with Legal Counsel, pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3); and Contract Negotiations, pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a)(5); a vote was called, and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner McCoy motioned for the board to return to open session; a vote was called, and the motion was carried unanimously.

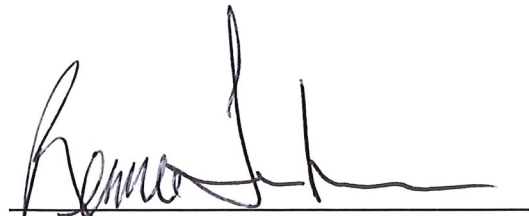
It was said there was nothing to report out of the Executive Session.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING:

Chairman Jenkins announced the next Regular Board Meeting to be December 14, 2022, at 6 p.m.; he said the meeting will be located at Belville Town Hall.

ADJOURNMENT:


Commissioner McCoy made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m., a vote was called, and the motion was carried unanimously.



Ronnie Jenkins, Chairman



Rodney McCoy, Secretary



Deana Greiner, CMC Clerk to Board



Date of Approval