

# **Rabun County Water and Sewer Authority**

## **Meeting Minutes**

### **December 12, 2017**

#### **I. Call to order**

Chairman Sam Beck called to order the regular business meeting of the Rabun County Water and Sewer Authority (RCWSA) at 10:00 AM on December 12, 2017, at the Development Authority of Rabun County (DARC).

#### **II. Roll call**

The following persons were present: Sam Beck, Brett Cohee, Jeff Reeves, Dallas Taylor, Greg Peters, and Jerry Krivsky. A quorum was present. General Manager Brendan Thompson was also present. Zack Bryan (EMI) was also present in an advisory capacity. Other guests were present, including media reps.

#### **III. Approval of minutes from prior meetings**

Minutes of the regular meeting October 10<sup>th</sup> 2017 had been emailed to the members. Mr. Peters made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Reeves. **Motion carried**

#### **IV. General Manager's Report**

November 2017 ending account balance \$126,537.48. November 2017 water bill to City of Clayton was \$ 95,440.15 for 32,717,000 gallons; a decrease of 1,780,000 gallons (-5.2%) over October 2017.

LTWTP pumped to distribution for October was 12,976,000 gallons; down 12.7%  
Two new VFD's are now operational in the LTWTP Raw Water Pump Station. Mr. Thompson stated he and Mr. Hunter both figured the pumps would pay for themselves in the next 5 years.

Mr. Thompson stated there were no new taps for November 2017.

Mr. Thompson stated the pinion gear seals for the Secondary Clarifier at the RCWRF were in the process of being replaced. Setting up a crane operator for the job. Also at the RCWRF, the backwash piping is underway from settling pond pump to stream.

Mr. Reeves asked if the meters on the Boggs Mtn. water lines had been changed.

Mr. Thompson stated that they had not; however the readers have been changed and that he would like to change out the compound meters to Sensus style meters in the next 6-12 months.

Mr. Thompson stated the Superintendent of Schools, Ms. Melissa Williams, had reached out for explanation on the billing difference from the City of Clayton.

Mr. Thompson asked her to be patient as we made the transition. Justin McCall stated for the most part all water users on the Boggs Mtn. line would see a reduced bill due to the difference in how RCWSA's rate structure is set up compared to the City of Clayton rate structure.

#### **V. Sky Valley Sanitary Sewer Update**

Mr. Bryan with EMI stated that he had presented to the City of Sky Valley Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>. The City was weighing options. Mr. Cohee asked the range of costs. Mr. Bryan stated \$4.3 million to \$8.9 million.

#### **VI. Approval of invoices**

Mr. Peters made the motion that the Authority pay the outstanding invoices which this month was only the General Manager's expense report. Seconded by Mr. Krivsky.

**Motion carried.**

Mr. Cohee stated his opinion that the board needed to consider hiring another attorney to be present at meetings. Mr. Beck stated it would be considered.

#### **VII. Executive Session**

Mr. Krivsky made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel. Seconded by Mr. Hunter then exiting executive session Mr. Reeves made a motion to exit executive session seconded by Mr. Hunter.

#### **VIII.**

Mr. Cohee made a motion to raise Mr. Thompson's salary 8.25% starting January 1, 2018 as well as \$1,000 a month bonus for 6 months for deferred compensation ending June of 2018. The board will be looking to evaluate his performance regularly during each year's budget cycle. Mr. Reeves seconded.

**ALL IN FAVOR**

#### **X. Meeting Adjourned**

Having no further business to discuss Mr. Reeves made a motion to adjourn.

**ADJOURNED**