



Rabun County Water and Sewer Authority Meeting Minutes October 12, 2021

I. Call to order

Chairman Sam Beck called to order the October 2021 regular business meeting of the Rabun County Water and Sewer Authority (RCWSA) at 10:00 AM October 12, 2021, at the Rabun County Water & Sewer Authority Business Office.

II. Roll call

Chairman Sam Beck, Vice Chairman Greg Peters, Treasurer Jerry Krivsky, Secretary Brett Cohee, Jeff Hunter, Claude Rickman and Dallas Taylor were present at the RCWSA Business Office. A quorum was present. General Manager Brendan Thompson, Finance Manager Traci Adams, Construction and Maintenance Manager Christian Lovell, Wastewater System Manager Davis Speed, Water Systems Manager Tricia Henslee and The Clayton Tribune were also present at the RCWSA Business Office.

III. Approval of minutes from prior meetings

- * Minutes of the regular September 14, 2021 had been e-mailed to the members. Mr. Peters made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Rickman.
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IV. General Manager's Report

- * September 2021 ending account balance was \$12,931.30. September 2021 water bill to City of Clayton was \$115,415.74. The pumped to distribution system volume for the South Water System (LRWTP) for September 2021 was 38,251,000 gallons; an increase of 1,008,000 gallons or 2.7% from August 2021.
- * City of Clayton's September 2020 volume was 37,560,975 gallons and September 2021 volume was 35,187,727 gallons; a decrease of 2,373,248 gallons or -6.3% from September 2020 to September 2021.
- * North Water System (LTWTP) pumped to distribution system for September 2021 was 14,062,000 gallons; a decrease of 1,706,000 gallons or -10.8% from August 2021. Mr. Thompson noted that Multitrade was down for four days in September 2021.

- * Meter readings for September 2021 were taken by RCWSA on September 24, 2021. Bills were sent out on October 1, 2021.
- * Mr. Thompson stated there were no new taps in the month of September 2021.
- * Unaccounted for water volume (South Water System) for September 2021 was 3.6%.
- * Unaccounted for water volume (North Water System) for September 2021 was 3.7%.
- * Mr. Thompson stated that regular preventative maintenance on motors and machinery is ongoing at Rabun County Water Reclamation Facility.
- * Fire hydrant maintenance and valve exercising is ongoing.

V. Status Report for RCWSA - City of Clayton Negotiations to Bring Water from the North Water System to Augment Water Supply from LRWTP while LRWTP Filters Are Rehabilitated

- Continuing to wait on response from City of Clayton to RCWSA’s letter from August 11, 2021 stating RCWSA’s position concerning the project.

VI. Status Report for Rabun County Redundancy Water Main

- GM, Brendan Thompson, has registered with the Federal and State websites used to request funding for the Redundancy Water Main Project and the South Rabun WRF Project. These potential funding sources will be coupled with TSPLOST, SPLOST, GEFA Loans, etc. as needed. Two State SFR Grant applications for the Redundancy Water Main have been made, one for Phase I (\$2M) and one for Phase II and III (\$1M). Mr. Thompson met with Senator Warnock’s Outreach/Appropriations staff member, Ms. Andrea Wiggins, on October 6, 2021, to discuss Federal Grant options for the Redundancy Water Main and the South Rabun WRF. Mr. Thompson gave Ms. Wiggins a tour of the RCWSA’s Water and Wastewater Systems. On October 8, 2021, Mr. Thompson sent Ms. Wiggins information on the Redundancy Water Main Project including the Project Description, Project Estimates, the Project Schedule and Maps of the RCWSA’s Water System.
- The RCWSA is awaiting GDOT plans on road widening of US 441. GDOT stated plans will be available by the end of October 2021. GDOT plans to start construction May 2022.
- Water Main layout continuing.
- Design projected to be complete by June 2022; depending on GDOT schedule and layout.
- GM, Brendan Thompson, has developed a Gantt Chart working schedule.

VII. Approval of Invoices

Mr. Cohee made a motion to approve invoices, seconded by Mr. Hunter.

ALL IN FAVOR

Motion to Adjourn - Made by Mr. Rickman.

ADJOURNED