



Rabun County Water and Sewer Authority Meeting Minutes December 14, 2021

I. Call to Order

Treasurer Jerry Krivsky called to order the December 2021 regular business meeting of the Rabun County Water and Sewer Authority (RCWSA) at 10:00 AM, December 14, 2021, at the Rabun County Water & Sewer Authority Business Office.

II. Roll Call

Treasurer Jerry Krivsky, Secretary Brett Cohee, Tim Darrah, Roger Mullins and Claude Rickman 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, Distribution & Collections System Manager Justin McCall, Water Systems Manager Tricia Henslee, Wastewater Systems Manager Davis Speed, Kaitlin Gibson, Rusty Hunnicutt, and Zack Bryan with EMI were also present at the RCWSA Business Office.

III. Approval of minutes from prior meetings

- * Minutes of the regular meeting on November 9th, 2021 had been e-mailed to the members. Mr. Darrah made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Mullins.

ALL IN FAVOR

IV. General Manager's Report

- * November 2021 ending account balance was \$181,990.77. November 2021 water bill to City of Clayton was \$115,900.17. The pumped to distribution system volume for the South Water System (LRWTP) for November 2021 was 37,763,000 gallons; a decrease of 1,943,000 gallons or -4.9% from October 2021.
- * City of Clayton's November 2020 billing volume was 38,782,000 gallons and November 2021 billing volume was 35,335,417 gallons; a decrease of 5,536,279 gallons or -13.5% from November 2020 to November 2021.
- * North Water System (LTWTP) pumped to distribution system for November 2021 was 14,664,000 gallons; a decrease of 1,818,000 gallons or -11.0% from October 2021.
- * Meter readings for November 2021 were taken by RCWSA on November 23, 2021. Bills were sent out on November 30, 2021.

- * Mr. Thompson stated there were no new taps for the month of November 2021.
- * Unaccounted for water volume (South Water System) for November 2021 was .2%.
- * Unaccounted for water volume (North Water System) for November 2021 was 1.9%.
- * Mr. Thompson stated that regular preventative maintenance on motors and machinery is ongoing at Rabun County Water Reclamation Facility. Mr. Thompson discussed sludge disposal moving forward. Both interim (hauling sludge to Ball Ground Landfill) and long-term (Land Application) solutions are being discussed and reviewed for viability.
- * 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, on an interim basis, to Augment Water Supply from LRWTP while LRWTP Filters Are Rehabilitated.

- o Mr. Thompson stated that the interim water from the North System information, technical write-up, schedule and cost estimate, had been sent to Mayor-Elect Kurt Cannon along with an executive summary on November 23, 2021. The RCWSA staff is standing by to meet with the Clayton staff to discuss the RCWSA's proposal and a possible alternative that the Clayton staff has developed.

VI. Status Report for Rabun County Redundancy Water Main

- o Funding options research and submittal is on-going. State SFR grants have been applied for in Mid-October 2021. Waiting on review by Office of Planning and Budget. Two Federal Grant applications (Grant EDA-2021-ARPAEAA, maximum of \$10M and Grant PWEAA2020, maximum of \$30M) are underway. Possibility of setting up Phase I and II of the Redundancy Water Main Project as Earmarks is being pursued based on the Federal Grant Applications.
- o The RCWSA is still awaiting road plans for the US 441 widening project to determine the best pipeline layout along US 441.

VII. Approval of Invoices

Mr. Rickman made a motion to approve invoices (Mr. Thompson's November 2021 Expense Report), seconded by Mr. Darrah.

ALL IN FAVOR

Motion to Adjourn - Made by Mr. Darrah.

ADJOURNED