



Rabun County Water and Sewer Authority Meeting Minutes August 9, 2022

I. Call to Order

Chairman Sam Beck called to order the August 2022 regular business meeting of the Rabun County Water and Sewer Authority (RCWSA) at 10:00 AM, August 9, 2022, at the Rabun County Water and Sewer Authority Business Office.

II. Roll Call

Chairman Sam Beck, Vice-Chairman Jeff Hunter, Treasurer Jerry Krivsky, David Hart, Tim Darrah, Dee Daley and Claude Rickman were present at the RCWSA Business Office. A quorum was present. General Manager Brendan Thompson, Finance Manager Traci Adams, Distribution & Collections Manager Justin McCall, Maintenance & Construction Manager Christian Lovell, Water Systems Manager Tricia Henslee, Wastewater System Manager Davis Speed, Kaitlin Gibson, Rusty Hunnicutt, Israel Istre, Joe Stinchcomb, Jerry Hood and Zack Bryan with EMI and Roger Mullins were also present at the RCWSA Business Office.

III. Approval of minutes from prior meetings

- * Minutes of the regular meeting on July 12, 2022 had been e-mailed to the members. Mr. Krivsky made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Rickman.

ALL IN FAVOR

IV. General Manager's Report

- * July 2022 ending account balance was \$112,898.34. July 2022 water bill to City of Clayton was \$150,293.09. The pumped to distribution system volume for the South Water System (LRWTP) for July 2022 was 41,218,000 gallons; an increase of 634,000 gallons or 1.6% from June 2022.
- * City of Clayton's July 2022 volume was 41,634,000 gallons; an increase of 6,680,588 gallons or 19.1% from July 2021 to July 2022.
- * North Water System (LTWTP) pumped to distribution system for July 2022 was 18,999,000 gallons; an increase of 2,463,000 gallons or 14.9% from June 2022.
- * Meter readings for July 2022 were taken by RCWSA on July 25, 2022. Bills were sent out on July 29, 2022.
- * Mr. Thompson stated there was no new taps in the month of July 2022.
- * Unaccounted for water volume (South Water System) for July 2022 was .1%.
- * Unaccounted for water volume (North Water System) for July 2022 was 4.3%.

- * Regular preventive maintenance on motors and machinery is being conducted at the Rabun County Water Reclamation Facility. Grass mowing and weed-eating is ongoing.
- * Fire hydrant maintenance and valve exercising is ongoing.

V. RCWSA Resolution 2022-03 to purchase a John Deere 60G Excavator

Mr. Hunter made a motion to approve the purchase of a John Deere 60G excavator, seconded by Mr. Rickman.

ALL IN FAVOR

VI. Status Report for RCWSA - City of Clayton Control Valve Project to interconnect the RCWSA's North Water System with the City of Clayton

Planning to bring water from the North Water System (Little Tennessee WTP) to augment water supply from Lake Rabun WTP while the LRWTP filters are rehabilitated. Once Control Valve is installed and functioning, the RCWSA-City of Clayton Wholesale Water Agreement Addendum 2 terms will outline the unit rate and each parties' responsibilities. Pre-Construction meeting set for August 18, 2022 at 10am at the RCWSA Office-Shop.

VII. Status Report for Lake Rabun Water Treatment Plant Filter Rehabilitation

Conventional rehabilitation using the Trident System to replace the Roberts Filter System is being designed and undertaken. Planning to install the Trident System between January 2023 to March 2023.

VIII. Status Report for Rabun County Redundancy Water Main (Phase II and III)

Phase II design is nearing completion and the project will be bid out in late August 2022 with bids due in late September 2022. Construction of the Concrete Ground-Level Water Tank to start in April 2023. Water main from the tank to Yorkhouse Road tie-in to be bid separately from the tank construction with the water main installation undertaken after the tank is constructed. Water main materials, including fire hydrants, were ordered on June 7, 2022.

Phase III project is under design. GEFA Loan Application for \$1.8M to be completed and submitted before the September 1, 2022 deadline. Environmental impacts are being determined as part of the GEFA Loan process and will be submitted after the initial application. GEFA Loan to be acquired to take advantage of the principal forgiveness of up to \$630,000. GEFA Loan is to then be paid off with SPLOST funds. Water main materials, including fire hydrants, were ordered on July 27, 2022.

IX. Approval of Invoices

Mr. Darrah made a motion to approve invoices (Mr. Thompson's July 2022 Expense Report), seconded by Mr. Rickman. **ALL IN FAVOR**

Motion to Adjourn - Made by Mr. Darrah.

ADJOURNED