

August 24, 2021
Hartsville-Trousdale County
Water & Sewer Utility District
Meeting of Board of Commissioners

Board members present were, Stephen Chambers, Heather Bay, Mark White, Todd Webber, and Dwight Jewell. Others attending were Tommy McFarland, Evan White, and Mary Dale Welch.

Vice-Chairman Heather Bay called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the July 27 meeting and the amended minutes of the June 1st meetings were approved on a motion made by Stephen Chambers and second by Dwight Jewell.

The July financial report was approved on a motion made by Todd Webber and second by Mark White.

Tommy presented the year end water loss report to the Board. There is one zone that showing constant usage, indicating a leak. The department is in the process of locating the problem.

Tommy also reported an incident to the Board that occurred at the water plant. A delivery of chemicals was made and mistakenly put in the incorrect tank. Immediate action was taken by the operator and delivery driver. Tommy is working with Evan to install piping on the outside of the building with color coding to keep this from re-occurring.

Tommy also gave the board a list of roads in the county that do not have water service. He estimated 49.8 miles of line that would need to be laid at a cost of \$750, 000.00 per mile. Total cost to do all would be \$37,369,318.18.

Evan White reported we are still waiting to hear from SRF for the loan for the tank project.

Evan also offered to the Board two proposals, one is a 20-year master plan and the other is a feasibility study. After discussion Stephen Chambers made a motion to approve the Master Plan with a cost of \$20,000 and a time frame of 6 months. Todd Webber second the motion. Stephen Chambers made a motion to approve the feasibility study with a cost of \$6,000.00 and a time frame or 3 months. Mark White second the motion. Both motions were passed.

Tommy reported no activity on the Cumberland River withdrawal project.

Tommy also presented to the Board a retainer agreement with Bransetter, Stanch, and Jennings, a law firm that specializes in utility law. After discussion Tommy was asked to get quotes from other law firms and bring back to the next meeting.

Approval was asked for completing loop lines on Halltown Road and Bridle Path. Estimated cost of Halltown is \$210,882.77 and Bridle Path is \$77,957.00. Dwight Jewell made a motion to do the 400ft on Bridle Path. Stephen Chambers second the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 3 yes and 2 no.

Stephen Chambers made a motion to postpone the Halltown project for 3 months. Todd Webber second the motion. It was passed.

Stephen Chambers informed the Board that the contract with Kemp Brothers had lapsed and that this was reported to the State Comptroller.

Heather Bay stated that with the county's 47% growth the board needs to work together to solve any issues that arise. She suggested that work sessions may need to be conducted.

Dwight Jewell made a motion to adjourn.