

September 28, 2021
Hartsville-Trousdale County
Water & Sewer Utility District
Meeting of Board of Commissioners

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Heather Bay.

Board members present Heather Bay, Dwight Jewell, Todd Webber and Mark White. Others present were Tommy McFarland, Amy Thomas, Evan White, and Chris Gregory.

Chairman Bay read a letter of resignation from Craig Moreland. She went on to thank Craig and his family for his 5 years of service. Todd Webber made a motion to accept Mr. Moreland's resignation. Mark White second the motion. Todd Webber made a motion to elect Mark White to the position of Vice-chairman. Dwight Jewell made a motion to elect Mark by acclamation. The motion passed.

The minutes for August were approved on a motion made by Todd Webber and second by Mark White.

August financials were approved on a motion by Todd Webber and second by Mark White.

Tommy presented the water loss report. It is running close to last years. The department is working on fine tuning the zone meters to locate leaks. Tommy also stated Cordell Hull had contacted him and they may be interested in purchasing more water from the utility.

Dwight Jewell made a motion to accept the water loss report. Todd Webber second the motion.

Evan White, Mid Tenn. Engineering reported environmental is still pending on the SRF tank project. CDBG rankings have not yet been released. In a meeting he attended this afternoon they announced they are proposing to take water and sewer funds out of CDBG and move to ARP (American Recovery Plan). The state has 1.3 billion in funds that have to be used by 2026. The feasibility study is almost complete. 85 roads have no water. Mid Tenn. was using a 2016 map and want to get with Tommy to be sure the roads do not have water. After this is complete, they will start on the 20-year plan.

General Manager report. The mayor is working on getting another meeting with Ray Render with congressman Roes' office concerning the 219 money that is available.

Tommy presented the Board with a Title 18 Resolution to present to the count- Resolution No. 092021 Resolution to Adopt Certain Provision of Title 18-Water and Sewers of the Hartsville/Trousdale County Government Code. Todd Webber made a motion to present resolution 092021 to the county commission. Mark White second the motion.

Tommy also presented to the board a contract with Cito Water to become a part of its clean water program. After discussion a motion to approve was made by Dwight Jewell and second by Mark White.

Next Tommy requested the RFQ for Legal services be approved. Todd Webber made the motion to approve. Dwight Jewell second the motion.

Tommy reported the state approval for the Bridle Path loop was received yesterday.

Public Comments: None

Board Members Comments:

Mark White -We have got to find solutions for the underserved sections of the county. I realize the water department is working hard, but the publics' perception is the utility is not doing as much as it should. Hopefully the feasibility study along with the 20-year plan will help with this.

Dwight Jewell - I was reelected chairman of the commission so would be on the board for another year.

Chairman Bay read into the minutes a letter that was read into the county commission minutes on 09/27/2021. Letter attached. Chairman Bay stated she wanted to be sure the water board did not violate any of the sunshine laws. She also stated since the project in question was a Water Board project, she would be investigating to be sure that the Water Board remain in compliance.

Motion to adjourn made by Mark White.