

Minutes
MCRWASA Board of Directors Regular Meeting
May 23, 2019

The Martin County Regional Water and Sewer Authority (MCRWASA) Board of Directors met for its Regular Meeting on Thursday, May 23, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. in the MCRWASA Water Treatment Plant Building, 1001 Park Street, Williamston, NC.

ASSEMBLY

Members present: Chairman David Bone, Vice Chairman Al Chesson, Board Director Stacy Stalls, Board Director Julius Patrick and Secretary Christina Craft.

Board Director Tommy Bowen (alternate) and Board Director William Coffield (alternate), were not in attendance.

Others present: Martin County: Deputy Secretary Jessica Godard; and Treasurer/Deputy Secretary Cindy Ange; Town of Williamston: Water System Operator Gary Barmer; and SUEZ: Project Manager Joe Thaxton and Senior O & M Technician Eddie Bristow.

Chairman Bone called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Vice Chairman Chesson made a MOTION to approve the agenda as presented, with a SECOND by Director Stalls. The Board APPROVED the motion unanimously.

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Director Patrick made a MOTION to approve the minutes, with a SECOND by Director Stalls. The Board APPROVED the motion unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

BUSINESS ITEMS

Adoption of Budget Amendment #2

Treasurer/Deputy Secretary Ange reported a Budget Amendment #2 transfers \$25,000 from the Fund Balance to cover additional expenses in the Maintenance Cap. Project Manager Joe Thaxton reported the Maintenance fund was set for \$90,000 for the 2019/2020 budget year. Suez requested an increase to a total of \$115,000. The increase was needed due to the following:

Main AC Failure	\$ 2,195.11
Security Camera Failed	\$ 3,287.13
PH Meter Failed Raw Water	\$ 721.37
Bailey Road Chlorine Pump 1 Failed	\$ 600.66
Ph Probe Failed on Lab Unit	\$ 600.69
Main Gate Phone System Failed	\$ 1,374.95
Pulsator Blower Failed	\$2,167.07
Storm Damage PAC	\$ 2,083.83
Bailey Pump Station PLC Card Failures	\$ 1,265.13
Bailey Pump 2 Chlorine Pump Failed	\$ 940.44
Bailey Pump 3 Chlorine Pump Head Fail	\$ 531.60
Pulsator Sludge and Vent Valve Failure	\$ 6,353.24

Vice Chairman Chesson made a MOTION to approve budget ordinance amendment #2, with a SECOND by Director Patrick. The Board APPROVED the motion unanimously.

Adoption of the Audit Contract for Year Ending June 30, 2019

Chairman Bone asked the Board of Directors to consider approving the proposed audit contract with Carr, Riggs & Ingram to audit MCRWASA accounts for the year ending June 30, 2019. This contract would cost \$8,850, a \$240 cost increase from the prior year.

Director Stalls made a MOTION to approve the Carr, Riggs & Ingram Audit Contract, with a SECOND by Director Patrick. The Board APPROVED the motion unanimously.

INFORMATIONAL UPDATES

Merger/Regionalization Study Grant

Chairman Bone reported the Martin County and Town of Williamston's grant application to the NC Division of Water Infrastructure for a grant for a regionalization/merger study was approved in the amount of \$50,000. The Town of Williamston and Martin County would have no commitment to follow through with a consolidation. The feasibility study would simply evaluate the opportunity and provide an analysis of options on how to move forward if both jurisdictions chose to do so. The County and Town were waiting for the grant agreement for Board approval and execution.

Temporary Switch to Chlorine Decontamination Scheduled for June 10th – August 5th

Chairman Bone reported MCRWASA, the Town of Williamston and Martin County District #2 changed the disinfectant used in water treatment from chlorine to chloramines in June 2016. The change was intended to benefit our customers by reducing the levels of disinfection byproducts in the system, while still providing protection from waterborne disease. The temporary switch for this year was scheduled for June 10th to August 5th, 2019. Advertisements about the temporary switch would be placed in the newspaper and information would be placed on the Town and County websites. The Town and County planned to flush the lines in June 2019.

Monthly Report from SUEZ

Project Manager Thaxton reported:

- Many of the annual inspections were completed in March.
- The sump pump valve in the alum pit was broken and had to be replaced in the next fiscal cycle. The flow meter was recovered and returned to service.
- Both pulsators passed inspection.
- The burnout was scheduled from June 10th – August 10th, 2019. Extra time had been added to allow the Town and County to flush the lines.

Chairman Bone reported the Robersonville contract to maintain their water credits five-year agreement was due for renewal by the end of the 2019 calendar year. A renewal agreement had been sent to the Robersonville Town Manager.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Bone adjourned the meeting around 3:30 p.m. The next regular MCRWASA Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for July 25, 2019 at 3:00 pm.

David Bone, MCRWASA Chairman

Christina Craft, NCMCC
MCRWASA Secretary