

Waterworks District 9, Ward 4 Meeting Minutes
Regular Board Meeting
Monday, March 13, 2023
5:30 pm – Conference Room

The Board of Directors met in a regular meeting on Monday, March 13, 2023 in the conference room located at 4015 Sherry Street, Sulphur, LA., with the following members present: Ray Taylor, Theresa Bell, Richard Boenig, Kent Chamblee and Steve Belshe.

The invocation was led by Kent Chamblee followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Audience: Lee Lancon, Lancon Engineers, Inc.

Lee Lancon – Engineering/Project Updates

- **Water Storage Tank Rehab** (see attached engineers report)
 - **Volunteer Road** - Tank is back in service
 - Richard Boenig asked if there would be stenciling on tank showing what coating was put on inside and outside, like we have on the ground storage tanks. A type of documentation that it is hard to lose for future use. Lee stated that would be a good idea and will have them apply the label.
 - **Mosswood Road** – Motion by Theresa Bell and second by Ray Taylor to approve Change Order 5, as emailed by Lee. Motion carried.
 - They will put handholds at 12, 3, 6 and 9 o'clock around vents on top.
 - Inside ladder will have new stainless steel safety climbs.
 - Theresa Bell asked if Lee could find out if they had anything currently to kill the bacteria, due to how the corrosion looks. She mentioned the use of a bactericide. Ray Taylor mentioned to make sure it can be used in a potable water system.
 - **Groundwater Storage Tanks** (see attached engineers report)
 - **Becky's Catering** (see engineers report)
 - Pelican to do survey
 - Kent mentioned Becky stated she was getting a price from Kip Coltrin to fix ruts and get rock. He stated he told her we have someone also so Kip would have to get a bid together and turn it in to the Water Company.
- **Filter #6** (see attached engineers report)
- **ARP Project (American Rescue Plan)** (see attached engineers report)

Kelly Riley – Reports

- **Minutes** – There was a motion by Richard Boenig and second by Ray Taylor to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried.
- **Payables** – There was a motion by Ray Taylor and second by Richard Boenig to approve payables as presented. Motion carried.
- **Insurance Premium** – Need to give well shed replacement cost to insurance company. Additional premium approvals for the well shed costs tabled until April Meeting.
- **Profit & Loss** – Reviewed, discussed with no corrections.
- **LAMP Fund** – Reviewed with no comments.
- **Policy Manual** – Jay mentioned a policy on emergency weather regarding staffing/pay.

Board went into executive session, and returned to regular session.

- **Garbage Service** – Kelly presented options for garbage service. (See attached) Theresa Bell stated she would like to get with Bob Kleinschmidt to see if there may be a way to get out of current agreement at a reduced rate and to confirm that we can pay out the contract if it is more economical to do so. Richard Boenig asked if going with pdi was contract compliant. Theresa Bell answered yes, due to it being the low bid. Motion by Richard Boenig and second by Steve Belshe to go with pdi for garbage service. Motion carried.

Jay Picard – Report/Updates

- **Sand on Vehicles, Houses etc.** – Jay mention he got with James Law to look at a couple of the vehicles. James believes they can be buffed out but won't know for sure until he tries. Cost per vehicle is \$440.80. There are approximately 8-10 vehicles at this time. Richard Boenig asked if there were anyone other than the fire department with damage to vehicles. Jay stated one lady of Frey had had mentioned something in the beginning but hasn't heard from her since. Richard Boenig mention that to keep in good faith, to get in touch with her and offer to have buffed if that is the route we take. Jay mentioned to start with black truck to see if it will work. Jay will start moving forward with starting to have vehicles taken care of.

Jay Picard – Report/Updates

- **Becky's Catering** – she did not mention anything about buffing vehicles, she just mentioned about sand being on them and building. Jay went out and noticed that Becky had hired a crew to pressure wash building – roof, walls, concrete and everything around there. There were 3 guys on building after she had told Jay she did not want anyone on the building. The quote Jay got to clean building included a lift due to this reason.
- **Fire Dept Flow Test** – Lee Lancon is working on this. Jay mentioned a tower towards the south end of the district would be beneficial. Theresa Bell stated last time it was looked at there was a turn over issue.
- **Transfer switch for generator** – Still on schedule to be in in April
- **Truck** – Jay mentioned single cab truck still giving issues. Last time it was brought in for repairs dealer could not find anything wrong with it. Richard Boenig mentioned to Jay to get numbers, for discussion purposes, for a new truck in case repairs on this one get to costly.
- **Drill Rig Repairs** – parts are on order per Jay.

Jay asked the board to move April meeting up a week. Board does not have an issue with moving meeting to April 3, 2023.

Election of Officers – President: Kent Chamblee
Vice President: Ray Taylor
Secretary/Treasurer: Theresa Bell
Commissioner: Richard Boenig and Steve Belshe

Richard Boenig made motion to accept new election of officers. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

There was a motion to adjourn by Ray Taylor and second by Theresa Bell. Motion carried.

Water Works District No. 9, Ward 4
Engineer's Report for March 13, 2023, Board Meeting
Report issued: March 13, 2023

LEI Project No. 19-007 Water Storage Tanks Rehabilitation

1. Construction is continuing and the following is a general summary of construction work completed since last report:

1.1. EWST #1 Volunteer Road

1.1.1. Exterior of tank:

1.1.1.1. All work complete except for the items noted under 1.1.3.

1.1.2. Interior of tank:

1.1.2.1. All work is complete, and tank is in service.

1.1.3. Contractor is continuing to work on EWST #1 including the following items of work:

1.1.3.1. Install non-slip rung covers on exterior ladders.

1.1.3.2. Install safety climb devices on exterior ladders.

1.1.3.3. Install new swing gate at the opening in handrail on balcony at the exterior ladder.

1.1.3.4. Install required signage.

1.1.4. Contractor estimates having the tank back in service by the end of the month weather permitting.

1.2. EWST #2 Mosswood Drive

1.2.1. Exterior of tank:

1.2.1.1. Installation of the containment system is complete and operational.

1.2.2. Interior of tank:

1.2.2.1. An inspection of the tank interior coating and metal thickness was performed by New World Technologies, Inc. The inspection report findings indicated that the existing coating had failed and needed to be removed and replaced. The UT readings indicated that tank and column steel thickness is good to excellent. A hard copy and electronic copy of the report has been provided to the District by LEI.

1.2.2.2. Completed installation of the containment system.

1.2.2.3. Change Order No. 5 was verbally approved by the Board. Contractor began removing interior ladders as required.

1.3. GWST#1 and #2

1.3.1. Condition of existing exterior coatings of both tanks were inspected by Brandon Lomasney with Technical Coating Services, Inc. Brandon's report has been received but has not been reviewed in total by LEI. LEI will review the report and provide it to the District along with their recommendation this week.

1.4. Property Damage Report for Becky's Catering, LLC

1.4.1. The survey field work for the new easement has been completed and the survey plat is expected to be received by March 15, 2023. LEI will assemble the Easement Instrument and provide it to the District by March 17, 2023.

2. LEI Project No. 21-011 New Horizontal Pressure Filter #6

2.1. The Final Application for Payment to the Contractor along with the Clear Lien Certificate was submitted last week by LEI to the District for final payment. Upon issuance of final payment to the contractor the project will be considered complete.

3. LEI Project No. 22-003 ARP Project

3.1. Met with Jay Picard to identify known pressure problem areas in the District and discuss alternative solutions to evaluate.

4 yard dumpster serviced once a week

Waste Management

Option 1: Stay in current agreement. We have 56 months left @ \$954.88 with an extra dump fee of \$175. Total to payout current agreement **\$53,473.28** without any extra dumps (overage fee)

Option 3: Enter into a new 36 month agreement. \$405.51 a month with an extra dump fee of \$189. Total for new agreement **\$14,598.36** without any extra dumps (overage fee).

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Option 2 (Waste Management): Pay to get out of current agreement. **\$8,026.90**. This includes liquidated damages of \$6772.02, removal fee of \$300.00 and 1 month of service of \$ 945.88 due to having to give them a 30 notice.

\$139 a month with no contract/agreement. Extra dump (overage fee) charge of \$49. No delivery fee. **\$8340.00** (60 months) or **\$5004.00** (36 months)

	36 month	60 month
WM Buy out	8,026.60	8,026.60
pdi	5,004.00	8,340.00
Total	<u>\$13,030.90</u>	<u>\$16,366.60</u>