

**SOMERVELL COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING**

May 8, 2023

Members Present: Lee Magee, Karen Richardson, Ben Mieth, Larry Fleming, Nemo Britton

Members Absent: Kevin Morgan, Maurice English

Also present: Kevin Taylor, Kim Daniels, John Flippen,

President Mieth called meeting to order at 8:00a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

CONSENT AGENDA

The General Manager presented the minutes of February 13, 2023. A motion was made by Nemo Britton and seconded by Larry Fleming to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Resolution: The Board approved the Consent Agenda as presented. (Res. #23-13)

SOMERVELL COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT REQUEST

Fire Chief Brad Smith requested the SCWD purchase dive gear and scuba dive training for the Fire Department. SCWD General Manager informed the Fire Chief that he would bring the request before the Board of Directors. The General Manager also informed the Fire Chief that this year's budget is going to be stretched thin with the treatment plant improvements that are currently underway.

A motion was made by Nemo Britton and seconded by Karen Richardson to not approve the purchase of scuba equipment for the Somervell County Fire Department. Motion carried.

Resolution: The Board did not approve the purchase of scuba equipment for the Somervell County Fire Department. (Res. #23-14)

CITY OF GLEN ROSE WATER RATE INCREASE

The Somervell County Water District began selling the City of Glen Rose water in November of 2011 at the wholesale price of \$1.75 per thousand gallons. The price of \$1.75/1000 gal had been negotiated in March of 2009 and was already 2.5 years outdated by the time SCWD started delivering water. SCWD has held the wholesale rate at the same price for the past 12 years. The District's General Manager put the City on notice in November 2022 that the District would have to begin adjusting the wholesale rate per the conditions of the water agreement.

The District's production cost for Fiscal Year 2022 was \$3.19 per thousand and the production cost for Fiscal Year 2021 was \$2.99 per thousand. The District's agreement with the City of Glen Rose limits the maximum annual increase to 15% of the previous year. The maximum rate the District can impose on the City with this years rate increase is \$2.0125 per thousand. The rate will continue to be raised annually.

A motion was made by Lee Magee and seconded by Karen Richardson. Motion carried.

Resolution: (Resolution #23-15) The SCWD Board of Directors approved a wholesale water rate increase for the City of Glen Rose to \$2.00/1000 gallons for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

DISCUSS TREATMENT PLAN UPGRADE PROJECT

EHT Engineering is progressing with the Treatment plant upgrades.

*The Draft Request for Proposals will be delivered to SCWD next week to begin the General Contractor selection process.

*Equipment specifications and drawings will be delivered to SCWD by the end of May 2023

*Chlorine Dioxide pilot tests are completed. Results were around 50% reduction in TOC's, which is about what we were hoping for.

*The first round of Air Stripping pilot tests have been completed. Tests show a 45% reduction in THM's at moderate airflows. Testing of more aggressive airflows will begin in the next few weeks.

*Site surveying for yard piping is underway.

DISCUSS THM VIOLATION


The District had its quarterly THM test on 4-12-23 and again received a higher than usual report with an average of .113 MPA. This result combined with the previous three quarterly report tests puts us in THM violation again with a quarterly average of .08765. The TCEQ limit is .08.

GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT

Kevin Taylor presented the following items to the board:

- 2023 Preliminary Appraisal Values
- 2024 TCDRS Retirement Plan Rate
- Treatment Plant Capacity Update
- Reservoir Capacity Update
- Water Line Extension Update
- Bank Account Report
- Water Usage Report
- Park Attendance Report
- Quarterly Investment Report
- Monthly Financial Reports and Bank Statements

No further business was brought to the table. Motion was made by Nemo Britton and seconded by Larry Fleming to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:36am.



Kim Daniels, Assistant Secretary

Approved this 12th day of June 2023



President, Somervell County Water District