KUSHLA WATER DISTRICT MEETING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

December 27, 2022 Minutes

The 638th meeting of the Board of Directors of the Kushla Water District was held at 4:00pm on Tuesday, December 27, 2022, at the Kushla Water District office, 6210 Highway 45, Eight Mile, Alabama.

CALL TO ORDER: The Chairman, Christopher Williams, called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM. Members present were Karen Taylor, Earl Hudson, Nannie Rolison, Nathaniel Cotton, and Jennie Reese. Member not present was William Silver. Non-Member present was Jo Ann Marquis and Chad Hennis.

INVOCATION: was led by Earl Hudson

Christopher Williams, the Chairman introduced Attorney Mr. Jay Ross and his assistant. Ms. Victoria Shoots to the Board. Attorney, Mr. Jay Ross with Adams & Reese Law Firm addressed the Board on his qualifications to be our attorney.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS/REQUEST:

Becky Haas addressed the Board on her concerns as a customer on the operations of Kushla Water Board and requesting a copy of P&L

George Downey spoke to the Board on how we have good quality water and how we have great staff of employees working for Kushla Water District.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion to approve the minutes of the November 29, 2022, Board Meeting, was made by Earl Hudson. The motion was seconded by Nathaniel Cotton and approved by the Board with the exception of Nannie Rolison who abstained.

Web Report: The Web Report for December 2022 was given to each Board Member.

STANDING REPORTS:

Engineer (Jerry Luker): Discussed the Mausap Road project along with status report on Rudolph Gallash Road. Providing update on our SRF application.

Attorney: Not in attendance.

Secretary/Bookkeeper

• Profit and Loss Report for November 2022 was given to each Board Member.

Finance Committee Chairman (Earl Hudson) –

Opened CD at Community Bank for 4.00% 18 months \$220,061.46 – April 28, 2024
 Replaces CD closed at The First on November 28, 2022

Superintendent – Report of November 2022

- 1. Well 3 and 4: 12,382,167 gallons
- 2. Water sold: 11,985,618 gallons
- 3. Water loss: 3.2 %.
- 4. Service Cost: \$2.93 per 1,000 gallons
- 5. Service Leaks: 5195 Dogwood Trail

5654 Dogwood Trail

5410 Kushla McLeod Rd

7475 Rosemary Wood Dr

7277 Fir Dr

- 6. Number of Work Orders Completed: 49
- 7. Number of AL811 Locates: 47
- 8. All Bact-smples: Coliform Absent

Office Assistant (Susan Rodgers) – Report of November 2022

- Number of customers billed 11/01/2022: 2158 \$75,962.12
- Number of payments received 11/01-11/30/2022: 2242 \$87,365.79
- Number of accounts with Late Penalty 11/16/2022: 530-\$3,908.61
- Number of Bank Check payments received: 175-\$8,378.81
- Number of Credit Card/On Line payments: 623 \$30,111.98
- Number of Delinquent/Locked Accounts: 0
- Number of Paid/Unlocked: 0

Before proceeding into old business, Mr. Jay Ross and assistant Ms. Victoria Shoots were ask to leave but not required as the Board was voting on who was to be our next attorney. Also, Ms. Carolyn Hatcher, who was one of the applicants for the open board position (Place 3) was ask to leave but not required in that the Board was voting on that position.

OLD BUSINESS –

• Christopher Williams, Chairman, stated we have two attorneys that addressed the Board on their qualifications to be our attorney and now time to vote.

The Chairman proceeded with voting on hiring an attorney.

The first attorney was Ms. Wanda Cochran.

Nannie Rolison - Yes for Ms. Cochran

Then proceeded to Mr. Jay Ross as our attorney.

Christopher Williams -Yes

Karen Taylor – Yes

Jennie Reese – Yes

Earl Hudson – Yes

Nathaniel Cotton abstained from the vote of the attorney.

With four yes votes by the Board, Mr. Jay Ross is Kushla Water District's attorney.

- Christopher Williams, Chairman, commented on the Mausap Road project in that been in contact with Mobile County Commission with hope to provide an update soon.
- Ms. Jennie Reese, Chairman of the personnel committee, provided updates on their progress of updating the personnel manual.

Christopher Williams, Chairman, commented on the open Board position (Place 3) Smithtown/Oak Grove in that we have 4 candidates that applied for the position and now
would vote.

The Chairman proceeding with voting of filling the open board position (Place 3).

The first candidate was Gwendolyn Bryant.

No votes for Ms. Bryant

The second candidate was Carolyn Hatcher.

Nannie Rolison - Yes for Ms. Hatcher

The third candidate was Shane McLain.

Christopher Williams – Yes

Karen Taylor - Yes

Nathaniel Cotton – Yes

Earl Hudson – Yes

The fourth candidate was Herman Padgett.

No votes for Mr. Padgett

Jennie Reese abstained from the vote of the open board position (Place 3) Smithtown/Oak Grove.

With four yes votes from the Board, Shane McLain will be recommended by the Board to the Mobile County Commission to fill the open board position (Place 3) Smithtown/Oak Grove.

NEW BUSINESS –

- Christopher Williams, Chairman recommends the purchase of time clocks. Earl Hudson made a motion to purchase time clocks and Jennie Reese seconded the motion. All were in agreement to purchase time clocks with exception of Nannie Rolison who said no and William Silver was not present.
- Nathaniel Cotton made a motion to put a \$1,000 limit per time clock on purchase price. Earl Hudson seconded the motion. The Board agreed to a purchase limit of \$1,000 per unit with exception of Nannie Rolison who said no and William Silver was not present.

Christopher Williams would entertain a motion to go into Executive Session at 4:59 PM. Motion was made by Karen Taylor. The motion was seconded by Nathaniel Cotton. The Session ended at 5:16 PM.

Motion to adjourn Board Meeting was made by Jennie Reese. The motion was seconded by Karen Taylor and approved by the Board.

I, Jo Ann Marquis, do hereby certify that this is a true and accurate report of the meeting of Kushla Water District Board of Directors held on December 27, 2022.

Jo Ann Marquis, Secretary/Bookkeeper

//23/2023 Date