KUSHLA WATER DISTRICT MEETING BOARD OF DIRECTORS November 19, 2024 Minutes

The 661st meeting of the Board of Directors of the Kushla Water District was held at 4:00pm on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at the Kushla Water District office, 6210 Highway 45, Eight Mile, Alabama.

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

INVOCATION: was led by Earl Hudson

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS/REQUEST:

No visitors were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Chairman, William Andrews entertained a motion to accept the minutes of the October 29, 2024, Board Meeting, as written. Earl Hudson made a motion to accept the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Jennie Reese. The Board were all in favor of the approval of the minutes of the October 29, 2024, Board Meeting, with the exception of Nannie Rolison who said no on the approval of the October 29, 2024, Board minutes.

Web Report: The Web Report for November 2024 was given to each Board Member.

STANDING REPORTS:

Engineer (Jerry Luker): See Addendum -- Engineer's Report.

Reported on ARPA Funds and the ADEM DWSRF Funds along with information on future development in our area.

Jerry Luker, engineer, presented a proposal for a policy on commercial water service fees and water main connection fees related to commercial establishments to the Board for approval. Daryl Taylor made a motion to approve the commercial water service fees and water main connection fees as related to commercial establishments proposal presented by Jerry Luker. Jennie Reese seconded the motion, and the Board were all in favor of approval of the connection fees proposal.

Attorney (Jay Ross): Reynolds Sorrell reported on the legal matters with one being the collection fees to Saraland fire hydrants.

William Andrews, Chairman, proposed our attorney draw up a new contract stating Kushla Water District will service and maintain 119 fire hydrants in Saraland area at a cost of \$10.00 for each fire hydrant. William Andrews, Chairman, made a motion to have our attorney draw up a contract stating Kushla Water District will maintain 119 fire hydrants in Saraland area at a cost of \$10.00 per fire hydrant. R. Leland Nelson seconded the motion, and the Board were all in favor.

Superintendent (Chad Hennis) -- Report of October 2024

Well 3 and 4: 17,519,413 gallons
Water sold: 12,943,306 gallons

3. Water loss: 10.07%

4. Service Cost: \$3.30 per 1,000 gallons

5. Service Leaks: 5690 Marshall Rd

5750 Marshall Rd 6145-A Hwy 45 5370 Lynd Rd

6930 Kushla McLeod Rd 5050 Dogwood Trail 4550 Country Estates 11080 Private Rd 155 11108 Roberts Rd

- 6. Number of Work Orders Completed: 134
- 7. Number of AL811 Locates: 113
- 8. All Bact-samples: Coliform Absent

Chad Hennis, superintendent, discussed hydrant capacity on Henry Morgan Road and about 6" line. After discussion, the Board decided the engineer-Jerry Luker and Chad Hennis would provide cost information to our attorney -Jay Ross for him to do a letter to Saraland presenting our proposal for Henry Morgan Road. It will be discussed further at our next meeting along with reviewing of letter.

Chad Hennis, superintendent, reported on two letters received from ADEM. One letter stated the good review received on our annual inspection and the other was regarding the completion of our lead/copper report to ADEM.

A motion was made by William Andrews, Chairman, to ask the superintendent -Chad Hennis to investigate on finding a generator for Well 3. Daryl Taylor seconded the motion, and the Board were all in favor.

Secretary/Bookkeeper

• Profit and Loss Report for October 31, 2024, was given to each Board Member.

William Andrews, Chairman, ask the Board to accept the Profit and Loss Report ending October 31, 2024, as printed. Nathaniel Cotton made a motion to accept the Profit and Loss ending October 31, 2024, as printed and R. Leland Nelson seconded the motion. The Board were all in favor to accept the Profit and Loss ending October 31, 2024, as printed with the exception of Nannie Rolison who said no.

Finance Committee Chairman (Earl Hudson):

• No movement of CD's in October 2024

Office Assistant (Susan Rodgers) – Report for October 2024.

- Number of customers billed 10/01/2024: 2201 \$91,355.91
- Number of payments received 10/01-10/31/2024: 2243-\$92,608.71
- Number of accounts with Late Penalty 10/16/2024: 332 \$4,090.88
- Number of Bank Check payments received: 780-\$38,148.66
- Number of Cash payments received: 248 \$10,060.55
- Number of Credit Card/On Line payments: 771 \$44,399.50

<u>OLD BUSINESS</u> –

- William Andrews, Chairman, directed the secretary to remove the selling of water to other systems along with lobbyist and grant writer discussion from the agenda.
- Collection fees to Saraland on Fire Hydrants discussed earlier in the meeting.
- Connection fees discussed earlier in the meeting.
- CUSI (billing software) discussion was tabled until a later meeting as we are still working on obtaining a quote.
- Committee Reports-

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u> –

Earl Hudson made a motion to enter into Executive Session and Nathaniel Cotton seconded the motion. The Board entered into Executive Session at 4:55 PM and ended at 5:25 PM.

Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman--

William Andrews, Chairman entertained nominations for permanent Chairman. Nannie Rolison nominated William Andrews to be our permanent Chairman until next election of officers in July 2025. The Board were all in favor to accept William Andrews as Chairman.

Then the Board moved to the Vice Chairman nominations. Earl Hudson nominated Daryl Taylor as Vice Chairman until next election of officers in July 2025. The Board were all in favor to accept Daryl Taylor as Vice Chairman.

A motion was made by Nathaniel Cotton to authorize Jerry Luker and attorney-Jay Ross to study and research on Hwy. 158 development. Jennie Reese and Earl Hudson seconded the motion. The Board were all in favor.

Motion to adjourn the Board Meeting was made by Earl Hudson. The motion was seconded by Nathaniel Cotton 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 November 19, 2024.

Jo Ann Marquis, Secretary/Bookkeeper

12/4/2624 Date