

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
ROCKWOOD WATER, WASTEWATER & NATURAL GAS BOARD**

**August 28, 2018 @ 6:00 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order at the Rockwood City Hall at 6:00 P.M. with Chairman Darryl Meadows presiding. Commissioners Loren Bone, Aylor Evans, Dudley Evans, and Joe Moore were present.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Approval of July Minutes:** Commissioner Bone made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Commissioner Aylor Evans seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of financials for June 2018 and July 2018:** Joan Kerley reported that water and sewer revenues for June were \$369,360, expenses were \$304,384. Year to date, water and sewer revenue exceeded expenses by \$239,141. Gas operating revenues totaled \$136,857; operating expenses not including the cost of gas were \$52,250. Year to date, gas revenue exceeded expenses by \$605,130. Water and sewer revenues for July were \$364,257, expenses were \$245,783. Year to date, water and sewer revenue exceeded expenses by \$47,964. Gas operating revenues totaled \$163,159; operating expenses not including the cost of gas were \$70,087. Year to date, gas expenses exceeded revenue by \$37,365. Commissioner Dudley Evans made a motion to accept the financials as presented and Commissioner Aylor Evans seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**General Manager's Report:** Kim Ramsey reported there was an inspection at the WWTP that was overall positive. There is a settlement offer in pending litigation with customer Richard Utsey, 725 New Hope Road, that he will pay \$1,000 if the remainder of the bill will be forgiven. Commissioner Dudley Evans made a motion to go into executive session and Commissioner Bone seconded. Upon returning from the executive session, Commissioner Bone made a motion to decline the offer and Commissioner Aylor Evans seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. **I&I report:** Commissioners received a written report.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **Consideration and approval of renewal of health, dental and vision insurance for employees:** Sarah McCoin presented the health insurance renewal option that was chosen by the employee insurance committee. That plan decreases the cost of renewal by \$14k annually from the plan proposed by UHC but the out-of-pocket maximum increases by \$3k. The deductible increases from \$2,000/\$4,000 to \$2,500/\$5,000 and the committee asks that the additional deductible be covered by RWSG in the premium savings. The committee has chosen Blue Cross/Blue Shield

for vision and dental coverage due to decreased cost and improved provider network. Commissioner Dudley Evans made a motion to accept the plan as chosen by the committee and Commissioner Moore seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Bone then made a motion to accept the RWSG deductible increase from \$1,750 to \$2,250 for individual and \$3,500 to \$4,500 for family coverage and Commissioner Aylor Evans seconded. That motion also passed unanimously. Commissioner Dudley Evans made a motion to continue the \$500 per employee flexible spending card and Commissioner Moore seconded. That motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Aylor Evans made a motion to change the dental and vision coverage to Blue Cross/Blue Shield to decrease cost and improve network and Commissioner Moore seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

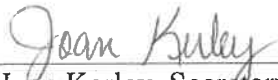
- b. Consideration of property acquisition options for proposed Operation Center:** Ms. Ramsey asked for guidance from Commissioners on additional property needed to complete the Operations Center purchases. All agreed to pursue the Park property on Chamberlain.
- c. Consideration and approval of award of Filter Rehabilitation project – WTP:** Bids were received from S4 Water Sales & Service LLC (\$85,110) and Techcoat Inc. (\$63,700). Commissioner Dudley Evans made a motion to accept the low bid of Techcoat and Commissioner Moore seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- d. Consideration and approval of revised Landlord Agreement:** The amendment makes an additional requirement to be an approved landlord “two (2) or more rental properties in RWSG service area”. Commissioner Bone made a motion to approve the revision and Commissioner Aylor Evans seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- e. Consideration and approval of purchase of washer truck-collection system:** The truck currently in use is a 1986 model that has had several recent repairs and the last one cost \$3,000. Due to the age of the truck, further investment in repairs seem futile. The cost of a new truck of \$119k was not included in the budget but can be accomplished by using \$100k from the Debt Service account and \$19k from the capital improvement fleet replacement program. There are excess funds in the Debt Service that are above the amount of annual debt. Commissioner Dudley Evans made a motion to approve the purchase and transfer \$100k from Debt Service to the Water/Sewer Account and Commissioner Aylor Evans seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- f. Authorization to file lawsuit against Loram (contractor) for water theft:** This contractor does rail grinding for the railroad and has been seen by our employees filling a rail car from a fire hydrant. There was a meter – apparently owned by the contractor – on the hydrant measuring the amount of water used that was seen also by our employee as well as a picture of the incident. Greg Leffew said that we can subpoena the metering for our records to enable the measurement of cost of water

taken. Commissioner Dudley Evans made a motion to proceed with the lawsuit and Commissioner Moore seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

After a brief communication from board members, the meeting was adjourned at 7:27 PM by motion of Commissioner Dudley Evans and seconded by Commissioner Aylor Evans.



Darryl Meadows, Chairman



Joan Kerley, Secretary