

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

March 22, 2016 @ 6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. with Chairman Darryl Meadows presiding. Roll call found Commissioner Loren Bone, Commissioner Tim Couch, and Commissioner Dudley Evans present; Commissioner Joe Moore was absent.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of the February 23, 2016 Minutes: Commissioner Bone made a motion to approve as presented and Commissioner Couch seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of January and February Financials: Joan Kerley reported that Water Revenue was \$189,800 for the month of January; Water Expenses were \$135,300; Sewer Revenue was \$94,000; and Sewer Expenses were \$90,700; revenue exceeds expenses year to date of \$102,843.05. Gas Revenue for the month was \$409,100; Expenses excluding gas costs were \$66,600; and revenue exceeds expense year to date of \$63,876.48.

Water Revenue was \$211,500 for the month of February; Water Expenses were \$135,300; Sewer Revenue was \$143,482.13; and Sewer Expenses were \$86,500; revenue exceeds expenses year to date of \$143,482.13. Gas Revenue for the month was \$528,400; Expenses excluding gas costs were \$80,800; and revenue exceeds expense year to date of \$359,445.04.

Commissioner Bone asked if the Board can receive financials from the new software that give a year to date comparison. Ms. Kerley told him she would try to provide that in the future. Commissioner Evans then made a motion to accept the financials as presented and Commissioner Bone seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

General Manager's Report: Kim Ramsey noted that smoke testing was completed on two miles of sewer lines with one situation with a home found that will be addressed with the homeowner. The new website is now online with some updates to be performed in-house. Online payments are working properly on the new site. All crews are now in new uniforms from Cintas. Kingwood Homes' sewer issues will be discussed in next month's meeting. Commissioner Evans asked if the ten overflows that were reported were at the WWTP or in the system and Ms. Ramsey responded that they were in the system. He also asked if the new billing software will display a graph to compare usage by month and Ms. Ramsey answered that it will. Commissioner Evans made a motion to accept the report as presented and Commissioner Couch seconded.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. **Report on I/I:** A written report was provided.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **Approval of contract for waste disposal – Santek Waste Services of Tennessee, LLC:** Waste Management has been used in the past but substantial savings will result in changing to Santek. REU uses them and they do recommend them. Ms. Ramsey noted a change in Item 5 of the contract to “matching price 40-50% Savings”. Commissioner Bone made a motion to accept with the change recommended by the GM and Commissioner Couch seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- b. **Approval of installation of water line from Chamberlain to Wilder located in the alley behind the construction site of new location of REU – Johnson and Galyon, Inc:** The new line will serve the new building and connect our system as well as add a fire hydrant to the system. REU’s contractor will do the work and REU will pay for a water tap that we will do. Commissioner Evans made a motion to approve and Commissioner Bone seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- c. **Consideration and approval of fire protection service fee proposal:** Fire protection water usage has not been metered in the past. There are currently 18-20 industrial/commercial customers that are using water through a fire line and this fee would only be charged to them. The recommended fees are:
- 6” connection - \$72.00 per month
 - 8” connection - \$124.00 per month
 - 10” connection - \$155.00 per month
- These fees would be effective July 1st and notices will be sent to the affected customers. Commissioner Evans made a motion to approve and Commissioner Couch seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Communications from Board members: Commissioner Bone stated that he hopes all employees work safely. Commissioner Evans was happy that gas is finally operating in the black. Commissioner Couch thinks the fire class uniforms are a good idea.

Commissioner Bone made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner Evans seconded. The meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

Darryl Meadows, Chairman

Joan Kerley, Secretary