SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE

ROCKWOOD WATER, WASTEWATER & NATURAL GAS BOARD

February 14, 2017 @ 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 Dudley Evans, and Commissioner Joe Moore present; Commissioner Tim Couch was absent.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Consideration and approval of bids for sanitary sewer project located within WWTP and City property (Chamberlain Ave): Commissioners were given a copy of current purchasing procedures as well as documents pertaining to the bids received. A total of eight bids were received that were evaluated by bid amount, bidder experience, and time schedule. Ms. Ramsey asked Commissioners to choose one of the top three:
 - 1. Adams & Sons \$897,859.00; tied for most experienced; tied for most reasonable time schedule
 - 2. Morgan Contracting \$993,675.00; tied for most experienced; tied for most reasonable time frame
 - 3. Norris Brothers Excavating \$824,471.13; tied for second most experienced; and tied for second best time frame

Commissioner Bone made a motion to accept the GM's recommendation of one of the top three bids and Commissioner Moore seconded. After discussion, Commissioner Evans made a motion to award the bid contingent on Council approval and to waive the 15 day advertising notice for this meeting – changing it to 10 days – and Commissioner Moore seconded. The motion passed unanimously. When asked which bidder she preferred, Ms. Ramsey, said she really had no preference other than Adams & Sons had more experience and gave more recent reference for larger sewer pipe projects. Commissioner Evans then made a motion to accept the bid of Adams & Sons subject to City Council approval of funding and Commissioner Moore seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

b. Consideration and approval of funding proposal for sanitary sewer improvements to City Council: Ms. Ramsey recommended a capital outlay loan from Raymond James because the funds are available more quickly than with bond issues or federal or state funding. Raymond James will also delay principal payment for up to four years, giving RWSG time to pay its higher debt obligations during those years. There is also lower loan costs than with some of the other options. She recommended a capital outlay loan in the amount of \$1.5 million with the additional funding being used toward either

Kingwood Home sewer problems and/or toward the sanitary sewer line that crosses under Gateway and the railroad connecting into this current project. Commissioner Bone made a motion to approve the GM's recommendation and Commissioner Evans seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Communications from Board members: Commissioner Bone asked if Commissioner could have weekly updates on the status of this project vial email and Ms. Ramsey agree to provide those.

Commissioner Evans made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner Bone seconded. The meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

Darryl Meadows, Chairman

Joan Kerley, Secretary