REGULAR MEETING OF THE

ROCKWOOD WATER, WASTEWATER & NATURAL GAS BOARD

July 23, 2018 @ 12:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at the Rockwood City Hall at 12:00 P.M. with Chairman Darryl Meadows presiding. Commissioners Loren Bone, Dudley Evans, and Joe Moore were present; Commissioner Aylor Evans arrived at 12:20.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of June Minutes: Commissioner Bone made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Commissioner Moore seconded. The motion passed with three votes as Commissioner Dudley Evans passed since he was not present for the meeting.

General Manager's Report: Kim Ramsey reported that both water and gas lines are completed on Hatt Lane. Letters were sent to customers giving them 60 days to pay reduced tap fees. The architects are working on a concept plan in order to recommend what additional property is needed for the operations center. Chairman Meadows recommended setting up a committee to provide employee input to the construction planning process. He also informed that the Glitterville building is for sale.

OLD BUSINESS:

a. Consideration and approval of purchase of 200 West Rockwood Street: Paragraph 6 was added to allow Oak Grove Cemetery Association to take the HVAC from the building. Commissioner Dudley Evans made a motion to purchase the building for \$75k and Commissioner Bone seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **a. Election of officers:** Commissioner Moore nominated Chairman Meadows as chairman and Commissioner Bone as Vice Chairman. As there were no other nominations, the motion passed unanimously.
- b. Consideration and approval of TEAC gas purchase agreement: Earl Burton presented specifics of the contract and recommended approval to ensure discounted gas prices for the next 30 years. Greg Leffew has also approved. Commissioner Moore made a motion to approve the contract and forward to City Council for approval and Commissioner Evans seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- **c.** Consideration and approval of accounting firm for audit FY2019: Three firms responded to the request for proposals. Commissioner Evans made a motion to approve Uselton, Clay, and Daniels and Commissioner Moore seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

d. Consideration and approval of Loomis contract for SafePoint service: Regions Bank recommended this when a fee decrease was requested. Cash will be kept on site but becomes the responsibility of the bank and Loomis once it is deposited into the safe. Loomis will pick up the cash once a week. Our bank fees decreased due to fewer manual deposits. Greg Leffew did recommend a change of the arbitration agreement meeting place from Houston to East Tennessee. Commissioner Dudley Evans made a motion to approve with the change and Commissioner Bone seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

After a brief communication from board members, the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 PM by motion of Commissioner Dudley Evans and seconded by Commissioner Aylor Evans.
Darryl Meadows, Chairman
Joan Kerley, Secretary