REGULAR MEETING OF THE

ROCKWOOD WATER, WASTEWATER & NATURAL GAS BOARD

November 23, 2021 @ 6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at the Rockwood City Hall at 6:00 P.M. with Chairman Loren Bone presiding. Commissioners Mark Clem. Joe Moore, and Jeff Penley were present; Commissioner Bobby Anderson was absent.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of October Minutes: Commissioner Moore made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Commissioner Clem seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of October financials: Joan Kerley reported that water and sewer revenues for October were \$357,813; expenses were \$234,235. Year to date, water and sewer expenses exceeded revenue by \$56,015. Gas operating revenues totaled \$139,368; operating expenses not including the cost of gas were \$78,270. Year to date, gas expenses exceeded revenue by \$334,992. Commissioner Moore made a motion to accept the financials as presented and Commissioner Clem seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

General Manager's Report: Kim Ramsey Leffew reported that no further correspondence has been receive from Grand Vista Bay POA. The WWTP five year NPDES Permit renewal, effective December 1, has been received. The final TDEC consent order has been signed and is effective November 9. Requirements will be completed in the next 30-60 days and the violation requirement will continue for 12 months. Sharon Clark has obtained a judgment against Global Energy in the amount of \$11,976.29. A lien will be attached to any Tennessee owned real estate.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **a. I&I report:** A written report was provided to Commissioners. Utility Inspection Services should complete inspection and provide all data by the end of the year.
- **b.** Update on building projects: FEMA has agreed to the mapping and model; a letter of approval should be provided soon. Public notification will be required then FEMA will issue our CLOMR. Pre-bidders will be provided plans on December 13 and bids will be opened on January 18. The bid award will be considered by the Board in the January 25 meeting.
- **c. Discussion and approval of gas rate:** Daniel Peterson provided information in October to be considered by Commissioners. Commissioner Clem made a motion to keep the minimum bill at \$7.50 and approve Mr. Peterson's rate schedule; Commissioner Moore seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Consideration and approval of purchase of hydraulic saw for Operations: This saw will cut up to a 16" line and our biggest is 14". This will save time as well as be much safer to use. The cost of \$14,850 will be split between water and gas departments. Commissioner Moore made a motion to approve the purchase and Commissioner Clem seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- **b.** Presentation and approval of the FY 20-21 Audit Richard Hill: Mr. Hill was unable to attend the meeting due to traffic congestion but provided the information by speakerphone. The audit was a clean one with no findings and will be submitted prior to the deadline of 12/31/21. Commissioner Clem made a motion to approve after the MD&A is added by Ms. Leffew and Mr. Peterson; Commissioner Moore seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- **c.** Consideration and approval of December meeting: Commissioner Moore made a motion to not have a meeting unless an emergency arises and Commissioner Clem seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

After a brief communication from board members, the meeting was adjourned at 6:38 PM by motion of Commissioner Clem and second by Commissioner Moore.

Loren Bone, Chairman	
Joan Kerley, Secretary	