

**Heard County Water Authority
Board Meeting Minutes
May 22, 2017**

The Heard County Water Authority Board met in regular session on Monday May 22, 2017 at 5:00p.m. The following members were present: James Ray Gosdin, Sr., Carrie Rutledge, Alvin Ginn, and Tommie McKeever.

Chairman Gosdin called the meeting to order and Director Laurie Cook gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approve / Modify Agenda – On motion and second (Rutledge, McKeever) a unanimous vote was made to modify the agenda to remove presentation of the Gold Award due to schedule conflict, to remove update on City of LaGrange until more information is available, to add an Executive Session to discuss possible Litigation, and approve the agenda.

Approve/Modify Minutes: On motion and second (Rutledge, McKeever) a unanimous vote was made to approve the minutes for April, 2017.

New Business:

Fiscal Year 2018 Budget Presentation-Director Laurie Cook presented the Board of Directors the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2018.

Michelle Robinson discussed the revenue increase of 4% during 2017 Fiscal Year, which was 1% over the set goal in the budget.

Public Hearing on 2018 Budget- On motion and second (McKeever, Ginn) a unanimous vote was made to set a public hearing for the 2018 Budget at June 2017 Board meeting.

Uniforms-Director Laurie Cook presented the Board of Directors a cost comparison for uniforms in the current contract with UniFirst Corp. and what the cost would be to buy our own company shirts from smaller vendors and a cost allowance for the crew to purchase their pants.

There was a discussion on how to proceed with setting guidelines for the crew purchasing their own uniform pants.

Director Laurie Cook also advised the Board that the Water Authority would have to give a 90 day written notice by June 30, 2017 to cancel the contract with UniFirst Corp. and avoid penalties.

Terminate UniFirst Contract- On motion and second (Ginn, McKeever) a unanimous vote was made to terminate our uniform contract with UniFirst Corp.

Old Business:

No old business to discuss.

Reports:

1.) **Administration-** Michelle reviewed the financial statement. She discussed CDs with Bank of the Ozarks dating back to when Tenaska and Dynegy (now Oglethorpe) signed water service contracts with the Water Authority. Current interest rates are .05%. With some discussion, Chairman Gosdin said he had no preference for either local bank. Interest Rates can possibly be negotiated.

2.) **Distribution-** Edward Ponder reported for Distribution:

Services: 2
Leaks: 10
Locates: 51
Work Orders: 79
Turn Offs: 63
DOT Permits: 0

A general safety meeting was held for Distribution Department.

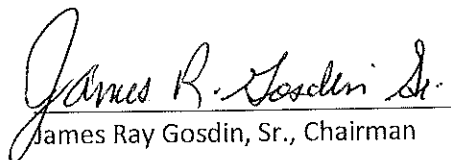
3.) **WTP-** Director Cook presented for Bryant Snyder, because he was operating the Water Plant. She reported normal operations and no violations for April. A general safety meeting was held for Bryant's department.

4.) **WWTP-** Darrell Brice reported normal operations and no violations for April. General Safety regulations were reviewed by Mr. Brice in the month of April.

Executive Session- On motion and second (McKeever, Rutledge) a unanimous vote was made to enter Executive Session to discuss litigation.

On motion and second (Rutledge, McKeever) a unanimous vote was made to return to open session. No action was taken in Executive Session.

Adjournment - On motion and second (Rutledge, McKeever) a unanimous vote was made to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 pm.


James Ray Gosdin, Sr., Chairman

6-26-17
Date