

Stanley Brewer – Cox Subdivision – **President**

Randy Pebsworth – Town North Village – **Vice President**

Deborah Hunt – Town North Estates - **Secretary/Treasurer**

Adolfo Pompa – Plott Acres

Camila Bonfield – Town North Village

James Truelock – Town North Village:

Sheryl Prime – Town North Village

All Members were present.

I. Call to Order – Stanley Brewer, President

II. Invocation - Camila Bonfield

III. Pledge of Allegiance, Stanley Brewer, President

IV. Public Comments - None

V. Minutes

M 1 Approval of May 2, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes - All were in favor - **Motion Carried**

VI. Finance and Administration

FA 1 List of Invoices to be Paid

- The Board voted and approved to pay all invoices (\$17,110.08).
- In the future, Rall ACH payments will be included in the invoice list. All were in favor: Seconded by Sheryl Prime, - **Motion Carried**

FA 2 Other Items

VII. Operations

OP 1 Status Update Regarding Plott Acres

- Ken Rainwater, System Engineer, reported that the Plott Acres subdivision is in a declared emergency water supply condition, emphasizing the urgent need for action.
- After the SPWSC's inception and further interaction with Plott representatives, such as board member Adolfo Pompa, it has come to our attention that the single currently operating Well two (2) does not have the flow capacity for continuous service in the upcoming summer months.
- Well, two (2) breaks suction often and deliver only about 23 GPM, and this capacity can decrease in the summer when nearby agricultural producers are pumping their wells for irrigation. With Carlos Rubinstein's assistance, we have notified the TCEQ that we are in danger of water outages within the next 180 days, making us eligible for consideration of emergency assistance from the TCEQ and TWDB.
- The Board, in its strategic wisdom, has focused on rehabilitating Well One (1) and initiating the engineering design of a suitable piping system. This proactive measure is a testament to our commitment to ensuring a continuous water supply to our future treatment site.
- We also have the valuable opportunity to collaborate with the Air Force Civil Engineering Center (AFCEC) at Reese. Their expertise can provide proper treatment to remove PFAS components from the flows of both wells, addressing other logistical and hydraulic considerations

- The AFCEC has been providing bottled water to the Plott residents for quite a while, and they are eager to deploy their point-of-entry treatment system design in the Plott water distribution system, which could significantly improve our water supply situation
- Robert responded by declaring the emergency status, and he and I communicated with Mark Patterson of Patterson Water Group to pursue the pump and motor replacement and downhole video inspection at Plott Well
- Robert and I will meet with Paul Carroll of Reese AFCEC on May 30 to discuss our options.

OP 2 Other Items

VIII. System Manager

SM 1 Status Update Regarding Acquisition

- Robert Sheets: We are very confident that by the June 20th meeting, we will have completed the closing with the Smith family, pending the approval of the administrative law judge by the PUC.
- We can close on the assets, but we can't take the fees until the process with the PUC has been finalized.
- The plan is to bring the exact closing date to the board along with the transaction of the funds.

SM 2 Board Discussion of Proposed Rate Schedule

- Robert Sheets from Anser Advisory discussed the fees outlined in the FY 2024 FY 2028 Operating Budget Summary with Rate Consideration Presentation at the board meeting. The board's approval tonight is needed to incorporate these rates into a Tariff schedule, resulting in an 85% increase. It was suggested that a cover letter and the rate schedule be sent to all customers to notify them about the upcoming rate hike.
- The board will review and consider these rates on June 20th. If we assume ownership of the system by then, we must have all these changes in place and formulate a policy. The rates will only be officially approved once we own the assets.
- The board has authorized Robert Sheets, System Manager, to send a memo along with the Rate Schedule to customers. All were in favor: Seconded by Randy Truelock - **Motion Carried**

SM 3 Board Discussion of Membership Fee

- Robert Sheets discussed the membership fee and the attached services application agreement. The board approved the membership fee on June 13th
- He made a recommendation for a membership fee of \$50. This will be a one-time fee
- We are all customers of South Plains Water Supply Corporation. All customers must fill out the form and pay a one-time fee of \$50.00 to receive service. Service may be terminated for nonpayment. Sheryl Prime: when a tent moves, will they get a refund for the membership fee
- Are the member's fee transferable
Members who have utilities in their name will be required to pay a non-refundable membership fee.
- The board will determine the payment deadline, which may be up to ninety days. This is for informational purposes only until we take ownership of the asset.

- Further discussion on this matter will take place at the June 20 board meeting. A motion was made that the board authorize Robert Sheets to mail the membership fee application and letter to all customers explaining the increase

SM 4 Discussion of RFQ for Professional Engineer

- Robert Sheets: We discussed our negotiations with Parkhill. Brian Stephens said they were willing to work with us on the Plott Acres problem, so we essentially hired them. He later emailed us after the meeting and pulled out.
- This item will be further discussed at the next meeting

SM 5 Set Date for the Next Board Meeting

- The next Board Meeting will be held on June 20, 2024
- We will have the election meeting at 5:30 p.m. CST, and the regular meeting will start at 6:30 p.m. CST

SM 6 Other Items

- The corporation board's first-year celebration will be in July.
- The board members are discussing choosing Peoples Bank as the corporate bank.
- Robert Sheets stated that the board has the discretion to choose People's Bank as the corporation's bank.
- Stanley Brewer, President, expressed the Board's wish to have a bank with a more local presence. As a result, the board voted to authorize Robert Sheets to apply for an account on behalf of the South Plains Water Corporation (SPWSC) with Peoples Bank and to allow him to sign any necessary documents on behalf of the board. Seconded by Randy Pebsworth, all were in favor –
Motion Carrie

IX. Board Items

BD 1 Other Items

Meeting Adjourn

June 20, 2024
Date Minutes Approved