
Southwest Regional Water District
924th Meeting Minutes

The 924th meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Southwest Regional Water District was held on February 23, 2021, beginning at 7:01 p.m. and called to order by Robert L. Copeland, Jr., Board President.

This meeting was held as a virtual meeting with the following advertisement:

Public Notice for Hamilton and Middletown Journals

The Board of Trustees of Southwest Regional Water District will conduct its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. This will be a virtual meeting. The public may view the meeting by accessing the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/SWRWD-FEBRUARY-MEETING>.

Public comments will not be received during the meeting. To provide a written comment in advance of the meeting, please email vances@swwater.org, or access the District's website at www.swwater.org and click on the Contact Us button at the bottom of the page. Please provide your name and address with your comment.

Trustees in remote attendance were Rob Brehm, Robert L. Copeland, Jr., Chad Chenoweth, Doug Drake, Michael Egbert, Nicholas Gronas, Randy Rolke and Robert Schmidt.

Also, in remote attendance were Sue Vance, General Manager; Phil Sackenheim, Deputy General Manager; Kenny Hoffman, Business and Finance Manager; Sherry Geurin, HR Coordinator and, Roger Gates, Board Counsel.

The 923rd Board Meeting Minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

Under public input, Kenny Hoffman informed the Board that he had received an email from customer Garrett Robinson who has purchased the property located at 2710 Broshear Drive. He indicated that after a few months of living at this property he started receiving large bills: January \$450.50 and February \$1,864.81 leaving a current balance on his account of \$2,170.06. Board recommendation is for Mr. Robinson to set up a payment plan or contact his homeowner's insurance to see if they would cover any part of this.

Kenny Hoffman stated that he would have the 2020 Annual Report completed soon and will be mailed out to the Board Members.

Phil Sackenheim passed on great news from our Ohio EPA Representative, Mariano Haensel in regards to our on-going projects with the Sanitary Survey, Drone Program and incorporating the

GIS system in our everyday work. He said that our staff (Nate Zinsmeister, Jason Francis and Dustan Marshall in particular) are doing a fantastic job in keeping our District #1 and over and beyond other systems in the state.

Sue Vance informed the Board that the Master Plan is ahead of schedule.

January financial statements were discussed. Robert Schmidt moved to accept the statements as presented. Randy Rolke seconded. Motion passed.

Michael Egbert moved to approve Trustees appointed to the Officer Nominating Committee (Rob Brehm, Nicholas Gronas and Randy Rolke). Doug Drake seconded. Motion passed.

Reminder for Trustees to sign, date and return the Conflict of Interest statements.

Michael Egbert moved to approve a “stand alone” bank account for the flexible spending account (FSA) for employees that have chosen this option for their healthcare and limit exposure to any possible fraud to a maximum of \$10,000.00. The account will be set up at First Financial and is based on employee participation. Doug Drake seconded. Motion passed.

Ohio Ethics Commission Training, Part II, “Ohio Ethics Law and Gifts” was reviewed by the Board.

Michael Egbert moved to adjourn. Doug Drake seconded. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chad Chenoweth, Secretary
Board of Trustees