
Southwest Regional Water District
926th Meeting Minutes

The 926th meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Southwest Regional Water District was held on April 27, 2021, beginning at 7:00 p.m. and called to order by Michael Egbert, Board Vice President.

Trustees in attendance were Rob Brehm, Chad Chenoweth, Doug Drake, Michael Egbert, Nick Gronas, Clark Kelly, Randy Rolke and Robert Schmidt. Robert L. Copeland, Jr. entered the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

Also in attendance were Susan E. Vance, General Manager; Phil Sackenheim, Deputy General Manager; Kenny Hoffman, Finance and Business Manager; and Sherry Geurin, HR Coordinator. Roger Gates attended the meeting remotely.

Doug Drake moved to approve the 925th Meeting Minutes. Nick Gronas seconded. Motion passed.

Randy Rolke moved to approve the Officer Nominating Committee Meeting held on August 26, 2021. Nick Gronas seconded. Motion passed.

The meeting was turned over to Robert L. Copeland, Jr., Board President for Election of Officers:

- Michael Egbert and Doug Drake were nominated for President. Randy Rolke moved to close nominations. Nick Gronas seconded. Motion passed. After balloting, Doug Drake was elected President.
- Michael Egbert was nominated Vice President. Rob Brehm moved to close nominations. Robert L. Copeland, Jr. seconded. Motion passed. Michael Egbert was elected Vice President.
- Chad Chenoweth volunteered to serve as Secretary. Michael Egbert moved to close nominations. Doug Drake seconded. Motion passed. Chad Chenoweth was elected Secretary.

The meeting was then turned over to Doug Drake, incoming Board President.

Under project reviews and reports, Susan Vance updated the Board on the Ross Township Land Use Planning Committee, Corrosion Control Study implementation plan, and the pending intranet for Board Members on our website.

Phil Sackenheim reported on an automated meter reading data collection issue that we are having with Zenner. Dustan Marshall, Operations Manager, is currently working with Zenner on the issues and re-programming the AMRs. Zenner has been responsive and helpful, offered free products, and are currently working to develop a custom feature specifically for us that will allow us to pull usage history data using the tablets. Some of the issues did not come to light

immediately. As we were working with Zenner to solve the “Y2K” issue, the programming issue was discovered. Dustan feels that we are making progress to fix the Y2K issue but more importantly we are fixing the issue with the correct methods and programming that should allow us to move onto other tasks once completed.

Chad Chenoweth moved to accept the March 2021 Financial Statements. Michael Egbert seconded. Motion passed.

Phil Sackenheim updated the Board on the 2021 Field Mowing Agreements. No action needed.

Resolution #1533-2021 was submitted to the Board for approval. The resolution provides for the amendment of Regulation 2012-004, Initiation of the Water Service to be replaced by Regulation 2021-003. Robert L. Copeland, Jr. moved to approve the resolution. Randy Rolke seconded. Motion passed.

Nick Gronas moved to approve the sale of three vehicles on GovDeals.com (2012 Chevrolet Express Van #31, 2012 Ford Transit #7 and 2012 Ford 550 #27) as they no longer serve their purpose, or the vehicles are no longer cost-effective to own or operate. Chad Chenoweth seconded. Motion passed.

Michael Egbert moved to approve the purchase of three replacement vehicles totaling \$105,833.00 as well to approve staff to proceed with the lowest estimate to upfit the two cab and chassis vehicles with utility bodies, at a cost not to exceed the remaining budget amount of \$49,167.00. Rob Brehm seconded. Motion passed.

The following Trustees were appointed to the Audit Committee: Robert L. Copeland, Jr., Randy Rolke and Robert Schmidt with their first meeting scheduled for June 8, 2021. Rob Brehm moved to approve the Audit Committee members. Michael Egbert seconded. Motion passed.

The following Trustees were appointed to the Policy Committee: Nick Gronas, Clark Kelly, and Rob Brehm. Chad Chenoweth moved to approve the Policy Committee members. Randy Rolke seconded. Motion passed.

All Trustees viewed Part III of the Ohio Ethics Commission Six Part Training – Public Contacts.

Chad Chenoweth moved to adjourn. Rob Brehm seconded. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chad Chenoweth, Secretary
Board of Trustees