
Southwest Regional Water District
939th Meeting Minutes

The 939th meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Southwest Regional Water District was held on May 24, 2022, beginning at 7:00 p.m. and was called to order by Doug Drake, Board President.

Trustees in attendance were Rob Brehm, Doug Drake, Michael Egbert, Nick Gronas, Clark Kelly, Randy Rolke, and Robert Schmidt.

Also, in attendance were Susan E. Vance, General Manager; Phil Sackenheim, General Manager; Kenny Hoffman, Finance and Business Manager; Sherry Geurin, HR Coordinator; Deana Fackey, HR Coordinator; and Joe Cook, a customer of the District. Roger Gates, Board Counsel, attended remotely.

The 938th Board Meeting minutes were accepted by consensus.

The May 18, 2022, Audit Committee Meeting minutes were accepted by consensus.

Chuck and Joyce Keller, owners of the property located at 2118 Jackson Road, were present to present questions they had concerning estimated water bills. District staff is to respond to this issue by the end of the week.

Clark Kelly moved to appoint Miles Joe Cook to fill the vacancy on the Board fulfilling the unexpired term left by the resignation of Robert L. Copeland, Jr. Rob Brehm seconded. Roll call: Rob Brehm, yea; Michael Egbert, yea; Nick Gronas, yea; Clark Kelly, yea; Randy Rolke, yea; and, Robert Schmidt, yea.

Michael Egbert gave an update from the ORWA Conference held in Dublin, OH on May 10 thru May 11, 2022. Three Trustees attended the conference and there were discussions on railroad easements among other things. He also informed the Board that he has been re-elected to the State Board. *Congratulations Mike!*

Phil Sackenheim reported on Engineering projects of the District. Among the items discussed were updates on the Queen Acres and Millville Tank; Somerville Tank going out to bid; taking down the Macedonia Tank; CO₂ tank replacement, FBR's and fluoride storage tank replacements at the North Treatment Plant; and St. Rt. 503 Main Replacement going out to bid.

Randy Rolke moved to amend Change Order #1 in the amount of \$5,052.50 submitted by J.W. Brennan Excavating, LLC for the Bell Road water service replacements. Michael Egbert seconded. Motion passed.

Michael Egbert moved to approve expenses incurred by Phil Sackenheim, General Manager, at the ORWA Conference. Nick Gronas seconded. Motion passed.

Rob Brehm moved to accept the April 2022 financial statements as presented. Robert Schmidt seconded. Motion passed.

Kenny Hoffman gave an overview on the preliminary financial forecast for the District. He will present options at the next Audit Committee meeting which has yet to be scheduled.

Sue Vance updated the Board on the Energy re-bid. Currently energy pricing is 16% higher than the April bids.

Michael Egbert moved to authorize the General Manager to execute the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency H₂O Ohio Direct Assistance PWS Standard Grant Agreement in the amount of \$50,000.00 for performance of Lead Service Line Inventory and Mapping. An agreement with RA Consultants, LLC will be forthcoming. Nick Gronas seconded. Motion passed.

Rob Brehm moved to appoint Nick Ziepfel as Legal Counsel. Randy Rolke seconded. Roll call: Rob Brehm, yea; Joe Cook, yea; Michael Egbert, yea; Nick Gronas, yea; Clark Kelly, yea; and, Randy Rolke, yea. Robert Schmidt abstained.

Michael Egbert moved to adjourn to Executive Session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a District employee. Nick Gronas seconded. Roll call: Rob Brehm, yea; Joe Cook, yea; Michael Egbert, yea; Nick Gronas, yea; Clark Kelly, yea; Randy Rolke, yea; and, Robert Schmidt, yea.

Randy Rolke moved to return to Regular Session. Rob Brehm seconded. Motion passed.

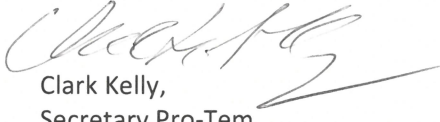
Joe Cook moved to approve a one-time pay adjustment for the following employees effective upon their retirement: Sue Vance, \$1,000.00; Sherry Geurin, \$500.00; and, Roger Gates, \$500.00. Michael Egbert seconded. Motion passed.

Randy Rolke moved to re-name the community room to the Roger S. Gates Meeting Room and provide a plaque to be displayed in the room. Rob Brehm seconded. Motion passed.

Joe Cook moved to adjourn the meeting. Michael Egbert seconded. Motion Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Clark Kelly,
Secretary Pro-Tem
Board of Trustees