

Bolivar Utility Board  
May 3, 2023  
12:00 P.M.

The Bolivar Utility Board met in regular session on May 3, 2023 with the following in attendance:

Members Present:

Dr. Jerry Wilhite, Chairman  
Paul Fuller  
Linc Polk  
Randy Hill  
Larry Crawford

Others Present:

Mayor McTizic  
Jim Nuckolls, Director  
Carri Beth Rhea, City Recorder  
Travis Martin, A2H

Absent: Wes Clayton, BUD Attorney

Chairman Wilhite called the meeting to order and asked if there were any changes from the April 5, 2023 minutes. There being no corrections. Larry Crawford made a motion, seconded by Paul Fuller to accept the April 5, 2023 minutes as written. All voted "Aye".

Chairman Wilhite asked Travis Martin with A2H Engineering and Architect to come to the front and update the progress of the TDEC ARP Grant. Mr. Martin explained that the ARP money for infrastructure was divided into 2 different categories and the city has to go by the Federal allocation rules and the State allocation rules with TDEC. He went on to explain that there is an infrastructure score card that is filled out yearly. The scorecard determines what each city/county has to spend their TDEC ARP money on. The state requires that anything in red has to be improved. The other categories are green that means it is good, and tan that means it is okay but could be improved. The City of Bolivar's scorecard had wastewater that was in the red and this determined that this wastewater would be a priority for improvement using the TDEC ARP money. Mr. Martin let the council know that A2H will be using a couple of methods to test some of the city's sewer pipes in the coming weeks.

**Old Business:**

- a. Did not receive the PHMSA Grant for 2022 but will apply again for 2023

- b. Open Sealed Bids for New Fence**

The Utility department advertised for sealed bids for a new fence that will go around the newly acquired property beside the gas shop. They received 2 bids, one from Bobby Sysco Fencing for \$11,275.00 and the other from Westenn Fencing for \$12,740.00. After discussion, Randy Hill made a motion, seconded by Larry Crawford to approve Bobby Sysco Fencing in the amount of \$11,275.00. All voted "Aye".

**New Business:**

- a. Signed contract for the ARP TDEC for \$2,550,364.63 with the city match of \$300,000.00 and required match of \$255,036.46 for a total of \$2,850,350.00.

**b. Purchase raw water meter for water plant**

Jim Nuckolls let the Utility Board know that 10 inch raw water meter at the water plant needed to be replaced. The life span on the meters are usually 8-10 years and the current one has been installed for around 8-9 years. He went on to explain that there is only a sole source for these meters and that was Brann and Whittemore out of Franklin, TN. The city will be able to install it themselves. The cost of the meter is \$13,737.00. Larry Crawford made a motion, seconded by Paul Fuller to approve the purchase of a raw water meter for \$13,737.00 from Brann and Whittemore. All voted "Aye".

**c. Gas prices for May are \$0.65/ccf**

**Updates: NONE**

There being no further business, Larry Crawford made a motion, seconded by Paul Fuller to adjourn the meeting. All present voted "Aye".

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