

Bolivar Utility Board

December 6, 2023

12:00 P.M.

The Bolivar Utility Board met in regular session on December 6, 2023 with the following in attendance:

Members Present:

Mayor McTizic  
Dr. Jerry Wilhite, Chairman  
Randy Hill  
Link Polk  
Suzanne Rhea, Council Member

Others Present:

Jim Nuckolls, Director  
Carri Beth Rhea, City Recorder  
Wes Clayton, Attorney

Absent:

Paul Fuller

Chairman Wilhite called the meeting to order and asked if there were any changes from the November 1, 2023 regular session meeting minutes. There being no corrections. Randy Hill made a motion, seconded by Linc Polk to approve the November 1, 2023 minutes as written. All present voted "Aye".

**Community Comments:** NONE

**Old Business:**

- a. Director Jim Nuckolls informed the board that Quinn Company has installed the Ruby Lane lift station and it is up and running. They will complete the Martindale lift station this week.
- b. The Utility department has completed around 80% of the ride away clearing. The cost of this project is around \$3,700.00 so far and they should be finished in about a week with the weather permitting.
- c. The new bleach tanks are installed and running at the water plant. A wall does have to be installed to prevent spillage. Inspections were done last week and we are waiting on reports. The raw water meter is also installed and running.

**New Business:**

- a. **Discussion on hiring new Utility Board attorney upon retirement of Wes Clayton this month.**

Jim brought before the board that Wes Clayton, Utility Board attorney, will be retiring at the end of December 2023. He let the board know that he and Chairman Wilhite had been in conversation on fulfilling this position. After some discussion, it was decided that Mayor

McTizic and Jim would talk to the city's attorney, Kevin Snider, to see if he would be interested in the position.

**b. Discussion with Tony Kirk with BEA on other solar panel contractors.**

Chris Koczaja representing Lightwave Solar had contacted Jim with information on their system. Chairman Wilhite and Jim have talked with both solar companies and decided to delay the conversation until after the first of the year. Dr. Jerry would like for Robert Stigall, engineer, to look over all of the information they have been given on the solar proposals.

c. Tennessee Public Utility Commission (TPUC) finished their annual inspection and found no violations.

**d. Gas Prices for December- \$0.65**

**Updates:**

a. Jim is still working on getting quotes for valves at the water plant.

Before adjourning, Chairman Wilhite presented the board's attorney, Wes Clayton, a gift card from the board and thanked him for his many years working with the board. Wes has been the Utility board's attorney for 8 years. They all thanked him for his service and wished him the best of luck upon his retirement.

There being no further business, Randy Hill made a motion, seconded by Linc Polk to adjourn the meeting. All present voted "Aye".

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