

Bolivar Utility Board  
April 7, 2021

The Bolivar Utility Board met in regular session on the above date with the following attendance:

Members Present:

Dr. Jerry Wilhite, Chairman  
Larry Crawford  
Dylan Hill  
Paul Fuller

Others Present:

Cliff Henson, Director  
Julian McTizic, Mayor  
Shelia Dellinger, Administrator  
Wes Clayton, Attorney

Absent:

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Chairman Wilhite called the meeting to order and asked for approval of the March 3, 2021, minutes. Mr. Larry Crawford moved, seconded by Mr. Paul Fuller to approve and dispense with the March 3, 2021, minutes. All voted "Aye."

**Old Business:**

**a. Final cost on 12" water main repair on Highway 18 South**

Mr. Henson, Director, informed the board all repairs have been made on the major 12" water main that broke in February. Mr. Travis Jones, with R Jones Construction Company was paid in full for materials and labor; his final bill was \$61,287.00. The total project cost was \$105,000, which was much higher than estimated. Unfortunately, we had no choice but to repair and replace this line. Ms. Shelia Dellinger stated she was checking with the city's insurance company, PE Partners, to see if this would be a covered expense.

**b. Payment from Suez (Water Tank Maintenance Contractors)**

Mr. Henson stated Bolivar Utility Department received the annual check from Suez in the amount of \$38,915.77 for ATT Wireless Carrier License Agreement on the Lauderdale Street Water Tank. Mr. Henson stated this agreement has been very beneficial to the city and there have been no problems with having their equipment on this tank.

**c. Update on Hatchie Hardwood Lumber Company**

Mr. Henson stated the work at Hatchie Hardwood Lumber Company has been completed and they should be ready to use all their equipment and hook up to natural gas in the next couple of weeks.

**d. Update on Well #4 at Water Treatment Plant**

Mr. Henson reported the cost on the repair and installation of the motor for Well #4 at the water plant was approximately \$1,800.00. This was much less than the estimated cost of \$3,000 - \$4,000 that was originally discussed.

**e. Sewer Pump on Meadowbrook Drive- Brian Owens**

Mayor McTizic stated he was contacted by Mr. Owens to see if BUD would pay for the repairs, he had to do to his sewer pump. He received a bill from Superior Plumbing, Heating and Air for \$160.00 for a service call to check his sewer. After much discussion, it was reported that the sewer line was backing up and the pump was working fine. This is the responsible of the homeowners. Mr. Henson stated he would like to work with Attorney Wes Clayton and write up a policy for Bolivar Utility Department, which will regulate the homeowners' responsibilities of all sewer pumps in the City of Bolivar, for the board's approval, at the next meeting.

**New Business:**

**a. Discuss purchasing a new truck for Water Plant Operator**

Mr. Henson informed the board the truck at the water plant was in desperate need of replacement. This truck has over 280,000 miles and uses four quarts of oil a week. Mr. Henson stated he has checked on purchasing a new truck on the State Contract and found a 2021 Colorado small truck that would be feasible for their use. The cost of this vehicle is \$23,000.00 which does not have to be bid if purchased through State Contract. Mr. Dylan Hill made a motion, seconded by Mr. Larry Crawford to approve the purchase on this vehicle. All voted "Aye."

**b. Repair Filter #3 at the Water Treatment Plan**

It was reported that the computer in the console for Filter #3 at the water treatment plant is not working properly and needs to be replaced. The cost of this computer is approximately \$5,300 - \$5,500. At this time, Mr. Larry Crawford moved, seconded by Mr. Paul Fuller to replace the computer for Filter #3 at the approximate cost of \$5,500.00. All voted "Aye."

**c. Gas Prices for April**

Gas prices remain at .65 cents per hundred for the month of April

There being no further business, Mr. Crawford moved, seconded by Mr. Fuller to adjourn the meeting. All voted "Aye."

Attest:

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