

***** MEETING MINUTES *****
WESTON WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Thursday, October 16, 2021
10:00 a.m. - 406 Chicken St., Weston, TX 75097

1. Roll Call; Determination of Quorum.

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. Board members present include Kevin Thomson, Edwin Case, Heather Richardson, and Epi Goldstein.

2. Member/Public Comment.

There was no public comment.

3. Approval of Minutes from September 27, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.

Edwin Case made a motion to the approve the minutes from the September 27, 2021 Regular Meeting. Epi Goldstein seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

4. *Executive session.

The Board did not convene into executive session.

5. Accept resignation of Board member and discuss appointment process for vacancy.

The Board discussed the written resignation submitted by Board President Tony Del Plato and his many years of service to Weston Water Supply Corporation. The Board discussed honoring Tony in the letter to members and on the website. Heather Richardson made a motion to accept the resignation of Tony Del Plato. Edwin Case seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Board thereafter discussed candidates for filing the vacancy on the Board. Edwin Case made a motion that Matt Kartcher be appointed to fill the vacant position for the remaining unexpired term. Heather Richardson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

6. Election of Board officers.

The Board discussed the need for new officers with the resignation of former Board President Tony Del Plato. Epi Goldstein made the motion for the following slate of offices

President: Kevin Thomson

Vice President: Epi Goldstein

Secretary: Edwin Case

Treasurer: Matt Kartcher

7. Review of office/administrative/billing and system operations action items, including but not limited to process for payment of invoices and disconnects for unpaid water bills.

The Board discussed the upcoming meeting with Patterson Water Group to discuss an agreement and assignment of duties. The Board discussed the need to make a deposit and determine outstanding accounts that require disconnection for non-payment. Kevin Thomson discussed his plans to update Quickbooks and the general financial information/books of the Corporation. No action was taken.

8. Discussion and possible action on contract/proposal with Patterson Water Group for administrative and operations services.

Agenda item No. 8 was discussed in conjunction with agenda item No. 7 above. No action was taken.

9. Discussion and possible action on website and online bill payment.

Edwin Case provided an update on his discussions with Rural Water Impact. A discussion ensued about Rural Water Impact's niche in this industry for providing websites to rural water utilities and the relatively cheaper costs associated with using this platform. A motion was made by Edwin Case to sign a contract with Rural Water Impact to build the Weston Water Supply Corporation website. Kevin Thomson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

10. Discussion and possible action on meter reading, mowing, and facility maintenance services.

The Board discussed the process for meter reading, and that this item should be added to the Patterson Water Group duties. The Board discussed asking for an estimate from Patterson Water Group for adding these services. Heather Richardson indicated that she and Carmen plan to place flags on the hard-to-find meters. The Board discussed that there are notes in the RVS system that Tony Del Plato used for meter location as well. The Board also discussed that the mowing is currently being done by Epi Goldstein's contact, Victor, and that he has done a great job and for a reasonable price, and that Epi will request that Victor mow all properties previously mowed by Tony Del Plato. The Board also discussed the office building and tower shack repairs. No action was taken.

11. Review of electronic meter upgrade specifications.

This item was discussed in conjunction with agenda item No. 10. No action was taken.

12. Discussion and possible action on Board meeting schedule.

The Board discussed the upcoming meeting on October 20th, and that additional meetings will be needed in order to get organized and implement the plan of action. No action was taken.

13. Update on meeting with City of Celina.

Epi Goldstein and Edwin Case provided an update on the meeting with City of Celina. There was not much discussion of water matters, but the meeting was very informative. No action was taken.

14. Update on decertification petition filed by Honeycreek Venetian, LLC.

- a. Federal court lawsuit and Temporary Restraining Order preventing decertification – *Weston Water Supply Corporation v. Peter Lake, Will McAdams, and Lori Cobos, in their official capacities as Commissioners of the Public Utility Commission of Texas and Honeycreek Venetian, LLC.***

The Weston Water Supply Corporation attorney, Kristen Fancher, provided an update on the case, including the current status that the federal court injunction is still in place and that Honeycreek Venetian is prohibited by law from obtaining water service from any other providing for the foreseeable future.

15. Board Member/Consultant Report.

- a. Financial and budget information; customer service matters; system maintenance; water supply; Tariff revisions; new connections; non-standard service requests.**

The Board discussed necessary Tariff revisions, including making sure the fees are up-to-date and that the Tariff includes the model Texas Rural Water Association language, and directed attorney Kristen Fancher to make the revisions. The Board discussed handling customer inquiries and an efficient way to handle in the best interests of the customers. Edwin Case discussed his efforts to contact the bank and getting into the safety deposit box. No action was taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:21 p.m.

Approved:

Kevin Thomson, Board President

Attest:

Edwin Case, Board Secretary