

GALVESTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 12

REGULAR MEETING

October 18, 2021

The Board of Directors (Board) of the Galveston County Municipal Utility District No. 12 (District) convened for a **Regular Meeting, October 18, 2021**, that was open to the public, at 6:00 p.m. at the District's Office located at 2929 Highway 6, Bayou Vista, Texas. A quorum of the Directors was present.

Position 1	Richard Matthews, President	Present
Position 2	Eric Moeller, Vice President	Present
Position 4	Newman Sharp, Director	Present
Position 5	Carl Aronson, Assistant Secretary	Present
Position 3	Ray Cruse, Secretary/Treasurer	Present

In attendance: Bayou Vista resident-Carol Wortham; Bill Manning-District Engineer; Wendy Ramin& Mike Curran- TOPS District Operator; Landon Gerlich- District Attorney; Lydia Cook- District Accountant; Sharon Ballard-Secretary to the Board.

1. **Call the meeting to order**

President Richard Matthews called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. **First order of business.**

Announcement by the President of the presence of a quorum, that the meeting was duly called, and the notice of the meeting was posted in the manner prescribed by law.

President Richard Matthews announced the presence of a quorum, that the meeting was duly called, and the notice of the meeting was posted in the manner prescribed by law. The Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer was said.

3. **Public Comments-agenda items only.**

There were no comments.

4. **Consider Minutes and other records of previous Board of Director meetings, including but not limited to: Public Hearing/Regular Meeting of September 20, 2021.**

Carl Aronson made a motion to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing/Regular Meeting held on September 20, 2021.

Ray Cruse seconded the motion.

Motion carried with all in favor.

5. **Ratify the approval of the recommendation by Lydia Cook for the employer contribution to the employee's retirement fund.**

Ray Cruse made a motion to approve the recommendation by Lydia Cook for the employer contribution to the employee's retirement fund.

Newman Sharp seconded the motion.

Motion carried with all in favor.

6. **Bookkeeper's Report, including consideration of the following:**
a) **Financial Statement and Investment Report for September 2021.**
b) **Bank transfers.**
c) **Payment of monthly bills.**

Lydia Cook reviewed the Bookkeeper's Reports for September 2021.

Newman Sharp made a motion to approve the Financial Statements and Investment Reports for September 2021, Bank transfers and the Payment of monthly bills.

Carl Aronson seconded the motion.

Motion carried with all in favor.

7. **Operator's Report, including consideration of the following:**
a) **Operations, repairs, and maintenance of District facilities**
b) **Connection Activity**
c) **Water production and accountability**
d) **Regulatory Matters and**
e) **Recommendations for account services, including disconnection of accounts.**

Mr. Matthews reviewed the Operator's Report with the Board. Mike Curran and Wendy Rambin answered questions. Mr. Sharp asked when the sign at the plant concerning the odor could be removed. Mike Curran indicated it should stay in place until the new headworks are in place.

Carl Aronson made a motion to approve the Operator's report.

Ray Cruse seconded the motion.

Motion carried with all in favor

8. **Engineer's Reports.**
Approve pay estimates and change order, approve easements, authorize advertisements for bids and approve recommendation of award and. contracts as necessary.

Bill Manning did not make the meeting until after it had ended due to a traffic accident. This item was tabled.

9. **Approve the Debris Management Service Contract with Crowder Gulf thru September 14, 2022.**

Eric Moeller made a motion to approve the Debris Management Service Contract with Crowder Gulf thru September 14, 2022.

Newman Sharp seconded the motion.

Motion carried with all in favor.

10. **Discuss the bids for the removal of dead palm trees on District property.**

The Board discussed the two quotes which had been submitted for the removal of the dead palm trees on District property.

Newman Sharp made a motion to award the contract to Mike's Tree Service for the removal of the dead palm trees on District property.

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Carl Aronson seconded the motion.

Motion carried with all in favor.

11. Discuss and possibly award the contract regarding the District's website.

The Board discussed the 3 quotes received for the revamping of the District's website. Eric Moeller made a motion to award the contract to Infinity, option 3.

Ray Cruse seconded the motion.

Motion carried with all in favor.

12. Attorney's Report.

Landon Gerlich had not report.

13. Public Comments.

Carol Wortham said there had been a lot of chatter on the message board concerning the smell at the plant, but that it was probably due to the strong winds.

She also inquired about possible early negotiations with Gulf Coast Water Authority for the Purchasing of water, as other communities in the area have hired attorneys to negotiate for lower rates. Mr. Gerlich indicated that Mr. Bacon is aware of the negotiations and that Mr. Bacon would keep the Board informed regarding this matter.

14. Other Matters that may come before the Board.

There were no other matters.

15. Executive Session.

The Board retired into Executive Session at 6:45 to discuss personnel matters.

16. Adjournment.

Newman Sharp made a motion to adjourn with Carl Aronson seconding the motion which unanimously carried; the Board adjourned at 7: 00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Ballard


Richard Matthews, President


Ray Cruse, Secretary/Treasurer