

GALVESTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 12

REGULAR MEETING

March 15, 2021

The Board of Directors (Board) of the Galveston County Municipal Utility District No. 12 (District) convened for a **Regular Meeting, March 15, 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	Absent
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	Absent

In attendance: Bayou Vista residents- John Thomas, Shari Forrester, Carrie Wortham Javier Bernal, Tommy Hanson, and Barbie Miller; Omega Bay residents-Georgia Sharp; Manning- District Engineer; Nathan White and Wendy Rambin- TOPS District Operator; -Sharon Ballard-Secretary to the Board.

1. **Call the meeting to order**

Vice President Eric Moeller 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.

Vice President Eric Moeller 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 was said.

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

Citizens commented on the pros and cons of making the MUD Exercise Park a Dog Park. Support was given to the request of the SWGC to receive \$500.

Asked for an explanation of the SolarBee contract.

Thanks to Eric Moeller for his assistance during the freeze.

4. **Consider Minutes and other records of previous Board of Director meetings, including but not limited to:**

a) **Regular Meeting of February 24 ,2021.**

Carl Aronson made a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Called Meeting held on February 24, 2021.

Newman Sharp seconded the motion.

Motion carried with all in favor.

5. **Consider the Solar Beekeeper Contract options for the Service Program thru Medora/IXOM which expires April 30,2021.**

Nathan White explained that the SolarBee is the name of the mechanism which basically mixes the water in the ground storage tanks. This machinery helps with the water quality.

Newman Sharp made a motion to approve the Solar Beekeeper Contract options for the Service Program thru Medora/IXOM which expires April 30,2021.

Carl Aronson seconded the motion.

Motion carried with all in favor.

6. **Consider the request by the Saltwater Garden Club for a \$500 donation for work to be done at the MUD#12 Exercise Park.**

Carl Aronson made a motion to approve the request by the Saltwater Garden Club for a \$500 donation for work to be done at the MUD#12 Exercise Park.

Newman Sharp seconded the motion.

Motion carried with all in favor.

7. **Discuss the possibility of making the MUD #12 Exercise Park a Dog Park.**

The Board discussed the possibility of making the MUD #12 Exercise Park a Dog Park. It was decided a committee would be formed to discuss the possible costs, pros, and cons of this item. Newman Sharp made a motion that a committee should be formed. The committee would report back to Eric Moeller with the information.

Carl Aronson seconded the motion.

Motion carried with all in favor.

8. **Bookkeeper's Report, including consideration of the following:**

a) **Financial Statement and Investment Report for February 2021**

b) **Bank transfers.**

c) **Payment of monthly bills.**

Lydia Cook did not attend the meeting.

Newman Sharp made a motion to table this agenda item until next month.

Carl Aronson seconded the motion.

Motion carried with all in favor.

9. **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.**

Nathan White reviews the Operator's Report with the Board. He advised the valves which will need to be replaced will be at a cost of between \$40,000 and \$50,000.

Newman Sharp made a motion to approve TOPS to begin replacing the valves in the District.

Carl Aronson seconded the motion.

Motion carried with all in favor.

Newman Sharp made a motion to have the Rate order revised per recommendations from Michael Bacon & Nathan White to be approved at the April 19, 2021 meeting.

Carl Aronson seconded the motion.

Motion carried with all in favor.

Agenda item # 9 continued.

Newman Sharp made a motion to approve Operator's Report.

Carl Aronson seconded the motion.

Motion carried with all in favor.

10. Engineer's Reports

Approve pay estimates and change order, approve easements, authorize advertisement for bids and approve recommendation of award and contracts, as necessary.

Bill Manning reviewed the Engineer's report. Bid opening for the Fine Screen and Flow Splitting Project will be April 14th.

Eric Moeller questioned on behalf of residents why the continued odor from the plant?

Mr. Manning explained that odor blocks have been installed, and that sodium bicarbonate may need to be added as well. Part of the problem is the inability to de-sludge. He advised he would check into the odor problem further.

Mr. Moller asked Nathan White to follow up on a problem which occurred at a residence on Ling In which the upstairs bathroom had sand in the lines after the sewer was jetted due to a back-up.

Carl Aronson Newman Sharp made a motion to approve the Engineer's Report.

Newman Sharp seconded the motion.

Motion carried with all in favor.

11. Attorney's Report.

Michael Bacon did not attend the meeting.

12. Public Comments.

Items which were commented on:

The Galveston Health Department Report which indicated the tests were skewed due to rain and the reporting by Nathan of no rainfall. Nathan explained during different time frames.

The odor problem at the plant.

Not enough notice for the water being shut off.

13. Other Matters that may come before the Board.

Eric Moeller requested that Lydia Cook compile the number on the Bond monies in regards as to what has been spent, where it was spent and how much of the bond monies remain.

14. Executive Session.

Executive Session was not held since the Attorney was not in attendance.

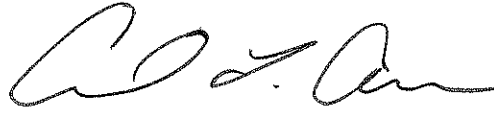
15. Adjournment.

Newman Sharp made a motion to adjourn with Carl Aronson seconding the motion which unanimously carried; the Board adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sharon Ballard



Eric Moeller, Vice President



Carl Aronson, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer