

Rural Water District No. 7, Johnson County, Kansas

Regular Board Meeting Minutes
November 17, 2020

Directors present via Zoom: Frank Denning, Chuck Finley, Ken Nellor, Bill Locke, Ken McCarty, Charlie Brovont, Steve Hines, Shaun Henderson, and Brian Andrew. Others present; Allan Soetaert, Donna Chrisjohn, Chester Bender, Todd Luckman, and Philip Ciesielski.

Chairman Denning, noting a quorum, called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Chairman Denning requested that the Board of Directors consider the Consent Agenda items. Director McCarty moved to approve the consent items noted on Agenda. Director Brovont seconded the motion. Voice vote was taken, and motion passed unanimously.

Agenda item #2 was Consideration of Resolution #2020-11-01. Allan Soetaert, Water District Manager, provided a summary of the project regarding the proposed resolution for the BOD consideration that would allow the District to proceed with eminent domain proceedings for two properties that have denied easement conveyances to the District. Todd Luckman, District Council, explained the procedure and timeframe regarding these proceedings. After a general discussion regarding these proceedings, Director Hines moved to adopt Resolution #2020-11-01 authorizing management to work with legal counsel and engineering/appraisal consultants to secure the conveyances required. Director McCarty seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken, and motion passed unanimously.

Agenda item #3a was consideration of a study to be done with the consulting firm of GBA. The District's Manager noted that this study is for the expansion of the District's infrastructure to the East side of NCAC. Philip Ciesielski, Consultant Engineer representing GBA gave a brief overview of the scope of services and the necessity of the study. After some discussion and questions Director Hines moved to authorize GBA to proceed with the study, further authorizing the Chairman & Secretary to sign the necessary agreement with GBA. Director McCarty seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken, and motion passed unanimously.

Agenda item #3b was consideration of a Water Compatibility Study. Mr. Soetaert noted that in order to establish the new proposed wholesale source connection along 135th Street with WaterOne, a "Water Compatibility Study" is required by KDHE. Mr. Soetaert reviewed the cost-share of the work that is proposed to be a joint study between the consulting firms of GBA and Black & Veatch. Mr. Ciesielski then provided a brief description of the study and an explanation of the requirement. After some discussion, Director Andrew moved to authorize GBA & BV to proceed with the Water Compatibility Study. Director Nellor seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken, and motion passed unanimously.

Agenda item #3c was the update and progress of the Rural Development Project for Areas, A, C & E on the western boundary of the Water District. Chester Bender, representing Ponzer-Youngquist Engineering Firm, presented information regarding the current timeline and status of the project that is being completed by C & S Construction. Mr. Bender also presented the pay application that is being made to be submitted to the SRF Funding Agency for release for funds. After some discussion Director Brovont moved to approve the pay request as presented. Director McCarty seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken, and motion passed

unanimously.

Agenda item #4 was reports. Mr. Soetaert presented a brief update and overview of his written report about projects within the District. Some questions ensued, with discussion. Mr. Bender also reviewed some updates to various projects. No action was taken by the BOD.

Chairman Denning noted no other business to come before the BOD. Director Andrew moved to adjourn the meeting. Director McCarty seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken, and motion passed unanimously. Time noted was 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



W. M. Locke, Secretary