

NORTH LITTLE ROCK WASTEWATER TREATMENT COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2023

A meeting of the North Little Rock Wastewater Treatment Committee was held on Tuesday, March 14, 2023, in the administrative offices located at the Faulkner Lake Treatment Plant.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Matthews at approximately 12:15 p.m. The roll was called, and a quorum was present. Those in attendance at the meeting were Chairman Matthews, Mr. Ed Nelson, Ms. Karen Bryant and Mr. Gabe Stephens. Also in attendance were Mr. Michael Clayton, Director, Ms. Tangelia Marshall, Human Resources Director, Mr. Scott Hilburn with Hilburn & Harper, Ltd. and Gina Briley.

First, the Committee reviewed the minutes of its February 14, 2023, meeting. After review, a motion was made by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Nelson, to approve the February 14, 2023, minutes as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

The Committee then reviewed the cash disbursements for February 2023. A motion was made by Mr. Nelson, seconded by Ms. Bryant, to approve the cash disbursements showing total cash disbursement of \$1,669,471.53 and fund transfers between accounts of \$1,342,500.00. The motion carried unanimously.

Director Clayton presented some highlights of the February financial statement. There was some discussion of the higher interest income this year when compared to last year. Director Clayton informed the Committee that he will be bringing the purchase of a new vector truck for the Committees review next month. Upon motion made by Mr. Nelson, seconded by Ms. Bryant, the Committee unanimously approved the financial statement for February 2023. The motion carried unanimously.

Director Clayton informed the Committee that bids were received for the "Broadway Area CIPP 2023 Collection System Renewal" on Thursday, March 2, 2023. The project includes the internal lining of approximately 37,112 linear feet of 6", 8", 10", 12", 15" and 18" gravity sewer mains. The low bidder was Suncoast Infrastructure in the amount of \$2,518,119.00. Suncoast is currently wrapping up another project and staff has been happy with their work. Mr. Nelson made a motion to award the contract to Suncoast Infrastructure. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bryant and the motions carried unanimously.

Director Clayton pointed out that the bid for the pipe bursting portion of the Broadway area project was cancelled. There was a recent development concerning restoration of public streets. Mr. Clayton plans to meet with the mayor and his staff and work out a policy. Once that policy is defined, it will be brought to the Committee.

Director Clayton gave a presentation concerning the possible merger of wastewater systems. He indicated that meetings with the Mayor of Sherwood have been productive with an open mind for regionalism. She would like to have a workshop with Sherwood's City Council in April or May. There will also be meetings with ADEQ and other agencies. This is just the beginning of the process and as further developments arise, the Committee will be updated.

Chairman Matthews informed the committee that Mr. Sylvester Smith will be replaced on March 26th.

There being no further action to come before the Committee, a motion was made by Mr. Nelson to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:18 p.m.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



K. W. MATTHEWS, CHAIRMAN

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

SYLVESTER SMITH,
VICE-CHAIRMAN/SECRETARY

