

Homosassa Special Water District

Regular Meeting

February 15, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Homosassa Special Water District was held on Monday, February 15, 2021 at 4:00 PM. This meeting was held both in person and virtually as per the Governors Executive Order #20-69.

Present were:

Commissioner Wilcox
Commissioner MacRae
Commissioner Miller
Carole Barice (Attorney)
Teresa Olds (HSWD Staff)

Commissioner Rendueles
Commissioner Sipos
Davide Purnell (Superintendent)
George McDonald (Engineer)
Rick Sandvick (HSWD Staff)

Commissioner Wilcox was not at the meeting when it started so Commissioner Rendueles called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

1) Commissioner Rendueles stated that this meeting is being held both in person and through Zoom with a majority of the Commissioners being in person. Once a motion has been made the vote will be made individually with Commissioners stating their name and their vote.

2) Additions, Corrections, Deletions of the Regular Meeting Minutes of 1-18-21

Commissioner MacRae made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Commissioner Sipos seconded the motion.

Commissioner MacRae	Vote yes
Commissioner Rendueles	Vote yes
Commissioner Sipos	Vote yes
Commissioner Miller	Vote yes

Motion carried.

4) George McDonald (Project Update)

Mr. McDonald stated to the Board that Area C of the SRF project is all completed and all services have been connected and are in service.
Area B is in progress. About 27% of the total project is completed.

Discussion.

The next projects coming up are W. Mistflower (water line extension) and W Ox Eye Place (Loop the system) then Xanadu Path Loop the system).

Discussion.

Work on the Hwy 19 Project is pretty much completed, they are working now on a few punch list items.

Discussion.

Teresa asked Mr. McDonald if he could check on the return of the funds left over on the Halls River Bridge Project. Mr. McDonald will report on this at the March meeting.

3) Public Input

- A) Patrick Finn (Leak Adjustment)**
- B) Debbie Franklin (Leak Adjustment)**
- C) Pamela Lockwood (Leak Adjustment)**
- D) Ron or Marilyn McGriff (Leak Adjustment)**
- E) Church of Jesus Christ (Leak Adjustment)**
- F) Deborah Johnson (Leak Adjustment)**
- G) Mary Jane Johnson (Leak Adjustment)**

Commissioner MacRae made a motion to approve all of the leak adjustment requests, waive the conservation rates and give time to pay if needed. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion.

Commissioner Wilcox	Vote yes
Commissioner Rendueles	Vote yes
Commissioner MacRae	Vote yes
Commissioner Sipos	Vote yes
Commissioner Miller	Vote yes

Motion carried.

5) Attorney Report

Attorney Barice reported to the Board that all of the documents have been received for the Charter Amendment by Rep. Massullo's office. This was published in the paper on February 23rd. On March 23rd the bill will be assigned to Representative Harding from Marion County who will sponsor the bill. Senator Simpson will be the Co-Sponsor.

Attorney Barice stated that she has spoken with the Lobbyist that we had received a quote from, she explained all that the District had done with the bill and thanked her for providing the District with a quote and asked if she thought we should still need a Lobbyist. She spoke with Rep. Massullo and stated that all looks good with the bill and we shouldn't need her help, but if we need her she would help for a minimal fee.

Discussion.

Attorney Barice stated that she has still had no contact with the Tradewinds Association and would the Board like for her to reach out to them again.

Board agreed not to do anything at this time.

6) Staff Report

A) Banking Information

Attached

B) Transfer Report

Attached

C) Proposed sick time change

Discussion.

Board asked that additional information be provided at the March Meeting showing the difference in what we have in place currently and what is being proposed and dollar amounts to go along with this.

Provide Commissioner Miller with a copy of all of the Policies that the District has.

Rick asked the Board for authorization to go out for bid for a new Pump.

Discussion

Commissioner MacRae made a motion to authorize staff to go out for bid for the pump that the field is requesting. Commissioner Sipos seconded the motion.

Commissioner Wilcox	Vote yes
Commissioner Rendueles	Vote yes
Commissioner MacRae	Vote yes
Commissioner Sipos	Vote yes
Commissioner Miller	Vote yes

Motion carried.

Teresa stated that the Board has a new copy of the Accountant Contract that needs to be accepted and signed. No changes other than the effective date on the contract.

Commissioner MacRae made a motion to accept the new 2021 Accountant Contract. Commissioner Rendueles seconded the motion.

Commissioner Wilcox	Vote yes
Commissioner Rendueles	Vote yes
Commissioner MacRae	Vote yes
Commissioner Sipos	Vote yes
Commissioner Miller	Vote yes

Motion carried.

Budget Reports were not provided in the Board Packet, staff will make sure January and February are in the packet for the March meeting.

7) Superintendent's Report

Sup. Purnell stated that we had a 24,2% water loss last month.

Discussion.

Sup. Purnell stated that all of the letters to the customers for the Purslane Easement and the one customer for the Marva Ct Easement have been mailed out certified and at this time we have not had any response from them.

Commissioner MacRae asked that for meetings going forward if we could have maps available on the computer when discussing different projects.

Discussion.

8) Reports to the Board

A) Adjustment Report

Attached

B) Shut off list

Attached

9) Public Comments

None

10) Board Comments

None

11) Pay Bills/Adjournment

Commissioner MacRae made a motion to pay the bills and adjourn the meeting.
Commissioner Rendueles seconded the motion.

Commissioner Wilcox	Vote yes
Commissioner Rendueles	Vote yes
Commissioner MacRae	Vote yes
Commissioner Sipos	Vote yes
Commissioner Miller	Vote yes

Motion carried.