

RAE SUBDIVISION COUNTY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT NO. 313
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
January 15th, 2025 at 7 pm

Present:

Andrew Williamson, Board President
Nikki Penniman, Vice President
Rich McLane, Board Member
Bob Ingram, Board Member

Ken Ridgway, Manager
Val Nolan, Secretary/Treasurer
Brock Athman, Allied Engineering
James Connolly, Hyalite Engineers
Brian, Morrison-Maierle

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Andrew Williamson, Board President. Perry Hofferber submitted an email stating he was unable to attend due to medical reasons. The meeting was held in the maintenance building at RAE Water District.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes from the November 2024 board meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the November 2024 board minutes was made by Rich McLane and seconded by Nikki Penniman. The motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Payment to Allied Engineering in November for \$29,256.88 was noted for the Wastewater PER. December report included a payment to CS Structures for \$41,258.50, Safe-T-Tank for \$10,802.70, Allied for \$39,694.00 for Wastewater PER. Questions were asked why December was so much more than November. Val stated there were less checks written in November and payments made in early December that maybe should have been paid in November, but we were caught up on bill payments in December. A motion was made by Rich McLane and seconded by Bob Ingram to approve the November and December 2024 financial reports. The motion passed unanimously.
- Val stated one of the \$100,000 CDs we invested in last year is coming due January 24th, 2025, and will pay \$4,800.00 in interest. We currently have \$400,000 outstanding in CDs, \$100,000 maturing each January for the next four years. It was discussed and decided to hold off on reinvesting until future expenditures have been discussed further.
- W4s were made available for anyone that wanted to change their tax withholding for 2025.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Brock Athman, James Connolly, and Brian were available for further discussion on the Wastewater PER. There was a public meeting on December 9th for presentation of the Wastewater PER, which the majority of Board Members were able to attend. Brock stated the PER was sent to multiple government agencies for feedback, but they have received very little feedback. Discussion was held concerning possible funding, most likely source being the State Revolving Fund which offers low interest loans and possible loan forgiveness. These avenues are being pursued. The PER will be finalized in the upcoming month and presented to the Board for approval in February 2024.
- Questions were asked about where we are with the MOU. Ken stated he has a meeting on January 23rd for further discussion and this will be presented to the board at a future meeting. There are items to be further discussed prior to full approval and final cost of the water expansion.

MANAGERS REPORT: Ken

- CS Structures, Inc. has reached substantial completion on the office expansion. We have received a letter of occupancy from the State Inspector. Punch list items still need to be completed. James and Ken are pursuing legal avenues as James stated CS Structures is in material breach of contract and is also working on reducing the final payment to CS Structures minus the additional money we have had to pay for engineering oversight.
- One of the basin air blowers has failed. A repair kit has been ordered and the blower should be back in service soon. We have four blowers and one is a spare so plant functions have not been impaired.
- Woodland Park lift station generator has had a catastrophic failure. Ken stated there were multiple factors at the same time. An engine will need to be replaced due to a couple of cylinders having no compression. Nikki Penniman suggested that Ken research the warranties on the generator as it is not very old.
- King Arthur Park replaced a leaking service line at KAP 139/141 on December 19th, 2024. This was pursued due to a customer having low water pressure. This has decreased our flows 40 gallons per minute.

NEW BUSINESS:

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held February 19, 2025, at 7 p.m.

ADJOURN: Nikki Penniman motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 and this was seconded by Bob Ingram. The motion passed unanimously.

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