MAURICEVILLE MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, November 19, 2024

BE IT REMEMBERED that a meeting was held on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, in the Board Room of the Mauriceville Municipal Utility District with the following in attendance:

- Board Members: Mike West, President Jay Scheiderer, Vice President Ted Williams, Director Tim McCarver, Director Russell Love, Director
- Others Present: Jeff Leavins, Leavins Engineering & Design, LLC Brad Haeggquist, General Manager Christy Davis, Office Manager

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. Tim McCarver led the Pledges of Allegiance and gave the Invocation.

1. Approval of minutes from the Tuesday September 24, 2024, Board Meeting.

Motion made by Jay Scheiderer to approve minutes from September 24, 2024, seconded by Tim McCarver.

All Voted AYE: Motion Carried

2. Open floor to members of the public or of the governing body for inquiries about a subject not listed on the agenda. Speakers shall be requested to limit their remarks to three (3) minutes or less. Specific information, or existing policy, may be stated in response to an inquiry. Any deliberation or discussion about the subject of the inquiry shall be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a subsequent meeting.

No Comments

3. Discussion and or possible action on leak adjustments.

No leak adjustments.

- 4. Discussion with and about relationships with government entities.
 - Brad had meetings with ISO Insurance rating inspectors and the fire departments in Mauriceville and Vidor. This is to rate the area for insurance.
 - Fire department in Mauriceville has been cleaning and inspecting all of the fire hydrants in the area. During the inspections they found some flanges that needed to be replaced.
 - Brad was notified by Johnny Trahan that Orange County may have some Covid grant funds left to go towards district projects.

- 5. Discussion and or possible action on the FM 1136 & FM 2802 Elevated Storage Tank Rehabilitation Project.
 - Jeff presented the findings from the study of the inspections and the recommended repairs.
 - Once the logos are submitted, he will be ready to put the bid packets together.
 - Brad gave Jeff the approved logos.
 - The approximate cost could be \$700,000 for both tanks.
 - Jeff mentioned that they were recently involved in the rehabilitation of a tank in Sour Lake. They received 13 bids. The low bid was \$248,000, the high bid was \$372,000.
 - Jeff is hopeful that the district could see bids for both tanks being \$550,000.
 - The life of the remediation could be 20-30 years.
 - Tim asked if lights could be added for the logos.
 - It was suggested that the topcoat be a glossy finish.
 - There will be 2 logos per tank.
 - Jeff suggested completing the bid process in January
 - There will be a pre-bid meeting to be determined.
 - Bid opening meeting January 15th
 - Approval by the board at the board meeting January 21st.
 - Jeff will email the bid packets to Brad for approval. Brad will get individual approval by each board member of the bid packets.

Motion made by Mike West to pursue the bid process for the FM 1136 & FM 2802 Elevated Storage Tank Rehabilitation Project based on LEAD's recommendations, seconded by Tim McCarver.

All Voted AYE: Motion Carried

6. Expense accounts and bills for payment.

No comments

7. Discussion about the TCEQ October 2024 MMUD Wastewater Inspection.

TCEQ Wastewater Treatment Plant inspection was completed on October 10, 2024. Brad went over the exit interview form. One of the items was about the rain variance that our engineer has submitted to TCEQ Austin 3 times in 3 years. No response has been received. Jeff shared his experience with TCEQ. He stated that he had never had zero response from TCEQ before, especially on an item that had been submitted several times. The district has not received the official inspection form from the inspector. However, a response was sent for each item listed on the exit interview form.

8. Discussion and possible action on ongoing board approved projects.

• STI administration building project off I-10 has been paid for and is ongoing.

- Arron Lundy contacted Brad about a 100-acre housing project in Burton Estates. There will be a capacity study and Brad will suggest the addition of a lift station and ask for the land needed for the station.
- Another developer has plans for a 120-apartment complex on South Highway 62 across from the fire department. This will allow for the expansion of additional capacity for the area.
- FM 1136 truck stop project is still ongoing.
- The meter replacement project has begun. The plan is to replace all meters with cellular meters. This will be an 8-year project.
- Doty Road project County Commissioner, Johnny Trahan, contacted Brad about possible left over Covid grant funds, that could be directed towards projects in the district.
- Brad went over the details of the plans for the Doty Road project that he will share with the County commissioner and Judge.
- Brad is requesting approval at this time to move forward with an agreement with the county for funding for the Doty Road project.
- George suggested the board approve Brad and one or two more board members to enter into the agreement with the county.
- The committee will be Tim McCarver, Jay Scheiderer and Brad Haeggquist.

Motion made by Jay Scheiderer for a board approved resolution that gives authority to the board approved committee to enter into an agreement with Orange County for grant funding for the Doty Road expansion project, seconded by Mike West.

All Voted AYE: Motion Carried

9. General Managers Report.

No comments.

10. Discussion and or possible action on the MMUD General Managers 2024 evaluation.

Board decision to go into a closed meeting to discuss the evaluation of the General Manager.

Motion made by Tim McCarver to approve the discussion held by the board members in the closed meeting, regarding the evaluation of the General Manager, seconded by Ted Williams.

All Voted AYE: Motion Carried

11. Closed meeting to deliberate with legal counsel on confidential employee matters.

Entered closed session at 7:06 PM. Opened session at 7:30 PM.

Motion made for agenda item number 10.

12. Set and confirm the next regular or special meeting date, time, and place.

Board Meeting set for Tuesday, January 21, 2025, 6:00pm.

13. Comments and Adjourn.

Motion by Russell Love to adjourn meeting, seconded by Mike West.

All Voted AYE: Motion Carried

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:10 pm.

MMUD PRESIDENT

MMUD BOARD DIRECTOR