# Spring Valley Water Supply Corp. Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors April 9, 2024

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President Larry Hobbs -- absent

Vice-President Zandy Goode
Secretary Bert Hernandez
Director Darrell Bledsoe
Director David Morrison
Director Gerald Theut

Director Kyle Grigsby -- absent

### ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

The meeting was called to order at 3:40 p.m. by Vice President Zandy Goode in the absence of President Zandy Goode. There was a quorum present.

#### ITEM 2. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Jones were in attendance. Also Gay Horn and her husband were present at the meeting.

#### ITEM 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments.

### ITEM 4. DISCUSS & POSSIBLE ACTION: GAY HORN METER RELOCATION REQUEST

Gay Horn who resides at 101 Moses Drive came to the Board to request that the meter that serves her home be moved from 201 Cindy Lane which is a property owned by Wesley Kaylor. She stated that the reason she was approaching the Board was that she had been having to pay for leak repairs on the residence side of the meter though the flooding was all occurring at 201 Cindy Lane. She stated that the leaks were on her side of the meter but the leaks were never on her property. She brought a copy of the Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 24 Rule 24.163 that addressed her issue. She also brought a surveryor's drawing of her property, an Exhibit displaying the locations of the properties in relation to each other, photos, and diagrams of where the meter is currently located and where she would like to have it relocated. She brought two invoices for her expenses for paying for water that leaked and for repairing the leak. She incurred a \$1740.00 water bill in December 2020 for a leak in November 2020. The bill was adjusted down to \$845.00. The plumbing invoice as \$1,708.22 for that leak repair that was occurring under the driveway at 201 Moses. After discussion, Bert Hernandez made a motion to authorize Mark Kocian to obtain an estimate for moving the meter and to bring that estimate to the next Board Meeting. Darrell Bledsoe seconded the motion and on vote, the motion passed,

# ITEM 5. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION: CHANGE IN APPROVAL OF ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

Minutes are posted on the website after the Board approves them. This results in the delay of posting minutes for the Annual Meeting for about a year since currently the minutes for the Annual Meeting are approved at the following Annual Meeting. Bert Hernandez made a motion to exercise approval of the Annual Meeting minutes at the regularly scheduled Board meeting the following month after the Annual Meeting. David Morrison seconded the motion and on vote, it passed.

#### ITEM 6. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING

Darrell Bledsoe made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meetings. Gerald Theut seconded the motion. On vote, the motion passed.

#### ITEM 7. BLUEBONNET WATER SUPPLY REPORT

Darrel Bledsoe reported on events at Bluebonnet since David Morrison was unable to attend. He reported that Bleubonnet was still under Stage 2 water restrictions even though Lake Belton is only 12 feet below normal. He clarified that Stage 2 restrictions were voluntary restrictions amounting to a 10% reduction in water usage. He reported that Bluebonnet was going to sell a half-acre of land to the Moffett system and it would not affect Bluebonnet facilities or operations. The issue of the Bluebonnet employee was resolved. Texas Workforce commission determined that the death was not work-related but OSHA fined Bluebonnet \$7,500 for not having a safe work environment in the heat. On the SVWSC waterline from Bluebonnet — Bluebonnet paid about 20 landholders for the right to access their property so that the surveyors could start working on the lay of the water line. This was for just access and the easement issues still exist. Gerald Theut made the motion to accept the report and the motion was seconded by David Morrison . On vote, the motion passed.

# ITEM 8. REVIEW AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON METER REQUESTS AND STATUS ON PRIORITY LIST FOR NEW METERS

There were no items to take action on since there were no meter requests submitted. There were some members on the wait list for new meters. At this meeting we reiterated that existing customers who have meter requests will be grandfathered at the old rates. Those rates were those prior to March 2023.

### ITEM 9. ENGINEERING REPORT – UPDATE ON PROJECTS

Johnny Tabor was not present at this meeting but prior to the meeting, he sent an e-mail to the Board to serve as his report. Tabor Engineering continues to work on the Lakeridge Estates project with the City of Waco and the Developer. At this time, the City of Waco will not allow SVWSC water lines to be located within and parallel to the slope area of drainage ditches as requested by the Developer. Tabor

Engineering reaffirmed that separate SVWSC water line easements had to be dedicated for the water lines and appurtenances. Tabor Engineering is now waiting for a response from the Developer's engineer and/or surveyor. David Morrison made a motion to accept the Engineering Report. It was seconded by Darrell Bledsoe, and on vote, the motion passed.

#### ITEM 10. FINANCIAL STATEMENT REVIEW BY FRANK ALEXANDER

Frank Alexander reviewed the financial statements. He pointed out on the balance sheet that we showed over drawn \$12,915 in the General Checking account but in fact was covered by the \$549,271 in the overdraft priviledges from the Index Account. Further on the balance sheet he pointed out the reserve for Maintenance and the Cash Available for System upgrades and they were \$75,000 and \$256,184 respectively. Differences in income from March 2023 and March 2024 were principally bdue to \$74,000 of developer contributions recognized in March of last year. Gerald Theut made a motion to accept the financial report and David Morrison seconded the motion. On vote, the motion passed.

# ITEM 11. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS FOR MARCH 2024

The motion was made by Darrell Bledsoe and was seconded by Geraald Theut to authorize payment of bills for March 2024. All present were in favor and the motion passed.

### ITEM 12. QUESTIONS TO THE BOARD BY AQUA TEXAS REPRESENTATIVES CONCERNING GENERAL OPERATIONAL ISSUES

There were no questions to the Board. Mark Kocian notified the Board that the driver of the vehicle that damaged the Judd Plant did not have sufficient liability insurance to cover the damage and he had submit the claim to SVWSC's insurance company. The Board was also notified that due to a customer concern from last month, Bert Hernandez did complete a review of the website and the Tariff and that one correction was found that needed to be made. The proposed correction was sent to Bo Routh to write and revise the problematic portion.

# ITEM 13. READ AND APPROVE RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS DECLARING ELECTION OF UNOPOSED CANDIDATES

This item was listed by mistake and it had already been taken care of in previous meetings. Bert Hernandez made a motion to strike this item from the agenda. Darrell Bledsoe seconded the motion. On vote, the motion passed and Item 13 was stricken from the Agenda.

**ITEM 14.** WATER SYSTEM OPERATIONS REPORT BY REPRESENTATIVE OF AQUA TEXAS (NO ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY THE BOARD) INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: (A) OPERATIONS REPORT; (B) WATER USAGE AND ACCOUNTABILITY; (C) FACILITIES, EQUIPMENT, AND REP AIRS; AND, (D) FINANCIAL REPORT

Mark Kocian presented the Operations Report. Bert Hernandez made the motion to accept the water operations report. It was seconded by Darrell Bledsoe. On vote, the motion passed.

ITEM 15. ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION IF NEEDED AS ALLOWED BY TEXAS **GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.074** 

There was no need for an Executive Session.

ITEM 16. RECONVENE INTO PUBLIC SESSION. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION **REGARDING MATTERS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION** 

There was no Executive Session so there was no need to reconvene.

ITEM 17. SET TIME AND PLACE FOR THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD

The next meeting of the Board will be on Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 3:30 p.m. to be held at the Aqua Office at 7025 Sanger Avenue, Waco, TX 76710.

**ITEM 18. ADJOURN** 

A motion to adjourn was made by David Morrison and was seconded by Darrell Bledsoe. All were in favor and none opposed. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by: Humberto Hernandez

April 10, 2024

Secretary, SVWSC