

FORT GRIFFIN SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT

1180 C.R. 109
Albany, TX 76430

FORT GRIFFIN SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT Board of Directors met in a meeting Thursday, December 8, 2022, at noon, at 609 Railroad Street, Albany, Texas.

President Burrell McKelvain presided.

Prior to the meeting starting, board members, employees and spouses enjoyed a Christmas Luncheon. McKelvain called the meeting to order at 1:09 pm. Board members present included Robert Montgomery, Sid Collinsworth, Gary Roan, Ben Hale, Sam Snyder and Sug Roller. Engineer Derek Turner, General Manager Mark Gardenhire, Field Manager Tyler George and Office Administrator Carrie Holson were also present.

Visitor Comments, limited to five minutes: No visitors present.

Review and approve meeting minutes: Following a review of the November 2022 meeting minutes Snyder made a motion to approve the minutes. Montgomery seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

Review and approval of expenditures and financial reports: Following review of the October financials, Montgomery made a motion to approve financials and budget report. Roller seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously. McKelvain questioned why the advertising expenses were so high and it was reported due to ads for the project bids.

McKelvain opened discussion on project up on the agenda so Turner could make presentation. Turner stated bids for the projects came in at \$11.2 Million and are 3X what expected when project development began. He stated USDA will not have an award amount until FGSUD makes a formal request for additional funding. Turner presented three scenarios 1) complete total project with which be funded by a debt service fee to customers; 2) request additional funds and hope for at least 50% with remainder funded by debt service fee to customers; 3) only complete portions of the project. His recommendation was that the SUD seek additional funding. After discussion of options and cost involved Roller made a motion to approve a request of additional funds from USDA and/or TWDB in an amount not to exceed \$6.6 million to fund cost overruns for the water project. Montgomery seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

Snyder had to be excused from meeting due to other obligations. Turner was excused as well.


New Business- No new business.


General Manager's Report:

Gardenhire reported the City of Moran is working on a grant and upon funding would partner with FGSUD for some of the project. He reported the new truck had arrived. Collinsworth questioned if maintenance logs were being kept for all vehicles. Gardenhire stated logs are kept. Gardenhire stated he had attended the TRWA meeting the previous week and expects to see changes within due to several officers retiring. He reminded board the annual meeting will be held in Austin in March.

Board went into executive session regarding employees at 2:36 pm and regular session resumed at 2:45pm. Board stated appreciation to employees for a job well done in 2022.

There was no further business and Montgomery made a motion to adjourn at 2:46. Motion seconded by Roan; the motion carried.


President Burrell McKelvain, Certifying Official
Fort Griffin Special Utility District

Attest: 
Carrie Holson, Office Administrator