

1. The regular April meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Board President Charln Stewart. Board directors in attendance were: Carl Jeanise, Charln Stewart, Bub Sepulvado, Gloria Thompson and Jerry Burnaman. Also present were Treasurer Tina Barrett and Secretary Tony Laska.

2. Proof of notice of meeting was confirmed.

3. The March 18, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes were considered and approved as written following a motion by Bub Sepulvado, seconded by Gloria Thompson. The motion was unanimously approved.

4. Charln Stewart thanked the 9 guests in attendance for their interest and participation.

#### 5. Directors' Reports

##### President:

- Land Sale Update. For the purpose of this meeting a motion to table a decision regarding a land agent was made by Gloria Thompson, seconded by Charln Stewart and approved by the Board.
- Contract Operator. Charln Stewart stated that CENLA Environmental Systems, partnered with OEM, was going to follow up its initial operations management proposal, and Jeff Staples was able to assist with paperwork. The proposed contract cost exceeded PWA's budget. A motion to reject OEM's proposal to operate was made by Charln Stewart, seconded by Jerry Burnaman and approved unanimously.
- Boil Advisory. Recognizing that level of turbidity results have been incorrectly reported, which has then caused the advisory to be issued, it appears that the plant has been operating within requirements for the past month and the advisory should be lifted. Elected officials have been engaged to assist.
- Upcoming USDA inspection. A requirement under the existing USDA loans is that the site be inspected, scheduled between 10 and 10:30 April 30. The Board noted some areas of concern including work on the back fence, pond and levee that serve as natural drainage and are in disrepair. A larger drainage pipe is needed through the levee. Carl Jeanise reported that we have a bid from a contractor to make those repairs.

##### Treasurer:

- Financial reports for January were distributed and discussed. Tina Barrett reported on meetings with Sheffield and that, while the system we have appears to be performing as expected, the interface with Sheffield has been disappointing. A vote on the March financials was deferred to the regular May meeting.

##### Advisor Reports:

- No reports from Advisors were issued at this meeting.

#### 6. Operator's Report

- Backwash repairs. Underdrains are in and media is expected to arrive shortly.
- Run times are down to just two days over 16 hours, with an average for the month 13.5 hours/day.
- The erosion repair on the ground tank failed and has to be corrected again.
- CLECO cut a water main that was repaired quickly.

- In March, two new meters were installed.
- Turbidity reporting. Using a new testing procedure, washing and cleaning daily helps reduce anomalies. However changing flows can result in a spike in the readings. The state was unaware of how these anomalies appeared in the reporting.
- Water purchase from SRA was 5,017,000 gallons. PWA sold 3,803,417 million gallons.

#### 7. New Business

- An informal discussion of the actual status and potential use for the \$1.7 M grant continued between the Board and PWA members.
- Member Larry Rice mentioned training for the Board as has been attended in the past. Bo Dowden elaborated on approaches to reduce agents' expenses in a sale of property.

#### 8. Adjournment

- With a motion by Gloria Thompson, seconded by Charln Stewart, the meeting was adjourned at 6:13 P.M.
- The next meeting of the PWA Board will be at the Toledo Town Venue on May 20<sup>th</sup>.