

The Lewisburg Water and Sewer Board held its regular monthly meeting on December 20, 2022. The meeting was held at 100 Water Street, Lewisburg, Tennessee. Board members present were Board Chairman Bill Marsh, Secretary Joe Harris, and Board member Peggy Harwell. Also present, were General Manager Trigg Cathey, Assistant Manager Robert Biggers, Supervisors, Roscoe Brannon, Pete Griffin, Terry Smith, Tommy Wallace, Caryl Giles, Billing Clerk Lucy Demastus and Administrative Assistant Lisa Parsons.

Chairman Bill Marsh called the meeting to order at 12:00

Item 1. The motion was made by Peggy Harwell to approve the minutes from the November 15, 2022 meeting. Joe Harris seconded the motion. Motion passed. Voice vote – 3 ayes.

Item 2. Bills and Financial Statement – Administrative Assistant Lisa Parsons reported on the November bills and financial statement. Peggy Harwell made a motion to approve the November bills and financial statement. The motion was seconded by Joe Harris. Motion passed. Voice vote – 3 ayes.

Item 3. Water – Sewer Request – There were 6 residential water tap requests and 3 request for residential sewer in the month of November.

Item 4. Water Plant- Reports and Memos – The water plant operated at an average of 19.1 hours per day. The plant ran at a capacity of 79.9%. The three-month water loss average was 23.2% for the month of November.

Item 5. Wastewater Plant- Report and Memos - Employees processed 237,017 gallons of sludge into biosolids and hauled 162 tons of biosolids to various farms.

Flow Totals:

Employees treated and discharged 44 MG of wastewater at the Lewisburg Plant.
Employees treated and discharged 2.2 MG of wastewater at the Cornersville Plant.

Trips/Classes

NA

Pretreatment

Old Hickory Smokehouse was inspected. Seven samplers were set. They were Enterprise, Minth, Baron, West Rock and Allison Transmission.

Tours/Visits/ Inspections

NA

Item 6. Other Business

6a. Project Update

1. The old underground pump station in front of Allison Transmissions is going to be replaced. The new Station, designed by Wauford, was bid out in combination with the Minth (Johnson Controls) sewer lift station and the combined contract was won by Hawkins and Price of Wartrace TN for a cost of \$1,733,117.00. This project is in full production and should be completed by the end of the year. At the co-op booster pump building, electrical work is underway, panels are being mounted. At the Minth lift station, there is a hold on the VFD controllers. They are expected to be here by May 2023.
2. Industrial Park Sewer Project - The sewer infrastructure (larger pipes on Childress Road) to service MINTH Inc. will need to be in place for their phase two expansion. We will get an economic grant for \$587,000 to help with the project. The project has been approved by the state and the EDA (Federal government). Pipeworks Plus has begun this job and already installed 500 feet of new pipe.
3. Loyd Branch Sewer Project - This project to remove and replace the sewer pipes with larger ones from Joyce Avenue to Midway Street. This is necessary to remove the State moratorium on the sewer basin that extends to interstate (I-65 Exit 32). Wauford has completed the design. It has state approval. We plan to fund the project ourselves. We would then attempt to get ARP funds to reimburse us for this project. The bids were opened on May 12. We only received two bids and the lowest one was \$2,513,395. This came as a shock because the "rough" estimate was \$1,500,000. Pipeworks Plus has replaced pipe and manholes on the golf course and is now on the east side of Manor Circle. They have completed 1600 feet of new line.
4. A new project is being planned to improve infrastructure to accommodate 286 houses to be built on Highway 50, across from the Curve Market. This involves the rebuilding of the current Highway 50 lift station, with new concrete and pumps. Wauford Engineering has estimated the cost to be \$435,000. D.R. Horton has agreed to pay for this project so that our current ratepayers do not bear this cost. D.R. Horton has signed the agreement and we have a signed contract for the engineering design to be done by Wauford. D.R. Horton will pay the actual cost of the project and not the estimated cost. The project was annexed into the city on April 12, 2022. Wauford has submitted final plans. We will not spend any more money until D.R. Horton has purchased the land for the project. As of this date the land has not been purchased.
5. Big Rock Creek sewer improvement project. We have been awarded the (CDBG) Community Development Block Grant for wastewater improvements. This money \$450,000, together with our Match of \$102,410, will fund the rehabilitation of the sewer main pipes on the walking trail next to Lone Oak cemetery. The design is complete. Bid opening was December 15th. We received 3 bids with the lowest one being \$1,536.125 by John T. Hall construction company. If approved, construction could begin by late summer.

Miscellaneous

1. Peggy Harwell completed the required 12 hours of board member training.
2. The request was made to have Greg Davenport attend the January board meeting to answer questions about expanding the water plant capacity.

Meeting adjourned at 12:31 pm

Chairman, Bill Marsh

Secretary, Joe Harris

