

The Lewisburg Water and Sewer Board held its regular monthly meeting on November 14, 2023. 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, Supervisors Pete Griffin, Terry Smith, Caryl Giles, Tommy Wallace, Roscoe Brannon, Chris Haislip, Billing Clerk Lucy Demastus and Administrative Assistant Lisa Parsons. Danny Bingham (City of Chapel Hill Town Administrator), Jason Terry and Kami Dunnavant were also in attendance.

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

- Item 1.** The motion was made by Peggy Harwell to approve the minutes from the October 17, 2023 meeting. Joe Harris seconded the motion. Motion passed. Voice vote – 3 ayes.
  
- Item 2.** October Bills and Financial Statement – Administrative Assistant Lisa Parsons reported on The October 2023 bills and financial statement. Peggy Harwell made a motion to approve the October 2023 bills and financial statement. The motion was seconded by Joe Harris. Motion passed Voice vote – 3 ayes.
  
- Item 3.** Water – Sewer Request – There were 18 residential water tap requests and 12 requests for residential sewer in the month of October.
  
- Item 4.** Water Plant- Reports and Memos – The water plant operated at an average of 19.1 hours per day. The plant monthly capacity was 82.2%. The three-month water loss average was 27.8 % for the month of October.
  
- Item 5.** Wastewater Plant- Report and Memos - Employees processed 209,899 gallons of sludge into biosolids and hauled 13,800 gallons of sludge from the Cornersville WWTP to be converted into biosolids.

Employees hauled 120 tons of biosolids to various farms.

#### **Flow Totals:**

Employees treated and discharged 29.7 MG of wastewater at the Lewisburg Plant.  
Employees treated and discharged 1.9 MG of wastewater at the Cornersville Plant.

#### **Pretreatment**

Two Industries were inspected: West Rock and Allison.

#### **Tours/Visits/Inspections**

NA

## Item 6. Other Business

### 6a. Project Update

1. The project to rebuild the Highway 50 lift station, with new concrete and new pumps, is underway. The low bid was from J. Cumby construction and was \$499,000.00. The station is completely rebuilt and functional. However, the concrete cover and entire wet well must be coated on the inside. Much more clean-up and sitework, such as fencing, will be required, before final payment.
  2. Big Rock Creek sewer improvement project. We have been awarded the (CDBG) Community Development Block Grant of \$450,000 for wastewater improvements. This project is the rehabilitation of the sewer main pipes on the walking trail next to Lone Oak cemetery. Bid opening was December 15, 2023. We received three bids. John T. Hall constructions company was low bidder at \$1,536,125. The preconstruction meeting was held on February 15<sup>th</sup>. The project has begun. The trees have been removed. The new sections are being laid but a great deal of rock breaking has slowed down the progress.
  3. The Installation of a new 8-inch water line to Cornersville. This line will run 5,000 feet from Underpass Road to Beechwood Ave. We are going to do it with in-house labor. It has been surveyed by Wauford, and TDEC state forms are being submitted. We expect to begin the job by November, but state plan approval has taken longer than usual.
  4. We have begun an in-house water leak detection with Chris Haislip directing the meter readers and other personnel to listen for leaks. We have found many small leaks and two large ones. We are now working to fix the long list of suspected leaks.
- 6b. Jason Terry our insurance representative presented the Board with the updated changes and premiums increase to our employee health insurance plan. After the presentation, the motion was made by Bill Marsh and seconded by Peggy Harwell to renew the current plan. Motion passed. Voice vote- 3 ayes.
- 6c. Resolution – Approval to purchase 1,000 meters, not to exceed \$224,000. – Joe Harris made the motion to adopt the resolution to purchase 1,000 meters not to exceed \$224,00. The motion was seconded by Bill Marsh. Motion passed. Voice vote – 3 ayes.
- 6d. Mr. Patel – discuss high water bill – Mr. Patel did not attend the meeting.

**Miscellaneous**

Due to the growth and increase in water usage in our area, LWW have made a request to TEDEC to increase our water withdraw permit. We would like to retain legal advice throughout this process.

Bill Marsh made a motion to attain legal counsel to help with the request. The motion was seconded by Peggy Harwell. Motion passed. Voice vote – 3 ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 12:34 pm

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Chairman, Bill Marsh

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Secretary, Joe Harris