

**NEUSE REGIONAL WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING DATED
Thursday, August 24, 2017**

The Neuse Regional Water and Sewer Authority held its Monthly Board Meeting on Thursday, August 24, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. at the Neuse Regional Water and Sewer Authority Water Treatment Plant.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Barry Sutton, Steve Miller, Clarence Mills, Virgil O’Neal, Greg Smith, Bruce Parson, Neal Baggett, Jimmy Cousins, Mike Hill, Sammy Aiken, Joseph Johnson, Victor Styles, Anthony Riggs

MEMBERS ABSENT: Steve Tripp, Jamie Cannon

ALTERNATES PRESENT: Rhonda Barwick, Ray Baldree, Steven Harrell

NRWASA STAFF PRESENT: Harold Herring - Executive Director
Amber Goodman- Administrative Secretary
Don Eglinton - Legal Counsel
Kyle Smith- Distribution Superintendent
Chris Creech – Distribution Technician
Charlie Colie- WTP Superintendent
Jacob Brown – Assistant WTP Superintendent

SPECIAL GUESTS: Anne Bunnell, ECU, Ph. D Candidate

Call to Order

Chairman Barry Sutton called the meeting to order at 6:01 P.M. and welcomed special guests.

Revisions, Additions and Adoption of Agenda

Mr. Greg Smith moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Seconded by Mr. Virgil O’Neal and upon unanimous vote, the motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Swearing in of New Directors Chairman Sutton

Chairman Sutton led New Directors Mr. Victor Styles and Mr. Anthony Riggs in the Oath of Office to replace Mr. Terry A. Koonce and Mr. Tommy Daughety as Directors for North Lenoir Water Corporation. Mr. Styles and Mr. Riggs will both become North Lenoir Water Corporation’s Directors.

2. Approval of June 2017 Minutes Chairman Sutton

Mr. Mike Hill moved to approve the revised June 2017 Minutes. Seconded by Mr. Greg Smith and upon unanimous vote, the motion carried.

3. Approval of August 2017 Treasurer’s Report Chairman Sutton

Mr. Steve Miller moved to approve the revised August 2017 Monthly Treasurer’s Report. Seconded by Mr. Mike Hill and upon unanimous vote, the motion carried.

4. Approval of August 2017 Monthly Capital Treasurer’s Report Mr. Harold Herring

Mr. Greg Smith moved to approve the August 2017 Monthly Capital Treasurer’s Report. Seconded by Mr. Mike Hill and upon unanimous vote, the motion carried.

5. Approval of Active Customer Connections Report

Mr. Mike Hill moved to approve the August 2017 Active Customer Connections Report. Seconded by Mr. Bruce Parson and upon unanimous vote, the motion carried.

6. Adoption of Division of Water Infrastructure Resolution Mr. Harold Herring

At the June 22, 2017 Board of Directors meeting, the NRWASA Board approved an Application Resolution from the N.C. Division of Water Infrastructure in the amount of \$21,980, to be used for the relocation of the Raw Water Pump Station Electrical Panel and flow meter at an increased elevation and for the addition of a diesel storage tank for the Raw Water Pump Station Back-Up Generator.

The N.C. Division of Water Infrastructure is now requesting the NRWASA Board to approve a Resolution Accepting the Grant in the amount of \$21,980, to perform the requested work as to the Application.

Mr. Steven Harrell moved to approve the Adoption of Division of Water Infrastructure Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Virgil O'Neal and upon unanimous vote, the motion carried.

7. Election of Officers Mr. Don Eglinton

Mr. Don Eglinton stated that the current officers are Chairman Barry Sutton, Vice-Chairman Steve Miller, Secretary Virgil O'Neal and Treasurer Bruce Parson.

Mr. Eglinton opened the floor for nominations. Mr. Greg Smith moved to close the nominations. Seconded by Mr. Mike Hill and upon unanimous vote, the motion carried. The nominations were closed by Motion of Acclamation.

All officers accepted their nominations for reappointment. Mr. Eglinton declared nominations closed. Mr. Clarence Mills moved to approve the Officers as nominated, seconded by Mr. Mike Hill and upon unanimous vote, the current Officers were re-elected to another term.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

8. Ward & Smith Mr. Don Eglinton

Mr. Don Eglinton had no items to be discussed until Closed Session.

9. FY16/17 Annual Report Mr. Harold Herring

Mr. Harold Herring shared a PowerPoint presentation of the FY16/17 Annual Report.

10. Miscellaneous & Informational Discussion Items Chairman Sutton

Mr. Harold Herring informed the Board that NRWASA will have its Annual Plant Shutdown the week of September 18, 2017.

Mr. Sammy Aiken spoke about the meeting that Mr. Johnson and Mr. Aiken attended with the Army Corp of Engineers with the Department of Environmental Quality. The meeting focused on the Neuse River from Raleigh on South and flood prevention studies. The last study on the Neuse River was in 1965, recommending that there be 12-14 dams built. Only one was built- Falls Lake Dam. The other option is dredging, but with its costly expense, cleaning is the only current solution. Senator Burr is working to get some money for colleges and universities to start the engineering study with the Army Corp of Engineers and the Department of Environmental Quality. Mr. Joseph Johnson added that if they get permission from Congress, they can start the study as soon as fiscal year 2020.

Mr. Ray Baldree announced that Bell Arthur Water Corporation is holding a Backhoe Rodeo on September 8th at 10 a.m.

Mr. Ray Baldree also mentioned a Leadership Summit for NCRWA in Wilmington at the Hilton on August 31st and September 1st.

Mr. Sammy Aiken updated the Board on City of Kinston's second energy point of delivery. It is still in progress- the City is getting easements. Mrs. Rhonda Barwick added that this will be another avenue to get power to NRWASA.

CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously approved, the Board entered a Closed Session at 6:50 pm, for the purpose of discussing a Personnel and Legal matter in accordance with N.C. General Statute § 143-318.11(a)(6). Attorney Eglinton remained as Counsel and acting Secretary.

A formal motion was made to come out of Closed Session. Seconded and accepted, and upon unanimous vote, the Board approved a motion to reconvene into Open Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned without objection at approximately 6:50 P.M. Motion to adjourn by Mr. Virgil O'Neal seconded by Mr. Greg Smith.

Sincerely,

Amber Goodman
Administrative Secretary

Virgil O'Neal
NRWASA Secretary