# DOUGLASVILLE-DOUGLAS COUNTY WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING May 24, 2022 MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Douglasville-Douglas County Water and Sewer Authority was held May 24, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Room of the WSA Administration Building.

Members present:
Peggy Baugh, Chairman
Nia Brown
Cindy Fedack, Vice Chairman
Christopher Flowers
Joseph Fowler, Board Attorney
Dr. Romona Jackson-Jones, Chairman, Douglas County Board of Commissioners
Helen McCoy, Secretary/Treasurer
Rochelle Robinson, Mayor, City of Douglasville
Richard Segal
Gilbert Shearouse, Executive Director

The first item of business was the approval of the minutes of the May 10, 2022 regular meeting. A motion was made by Ms. Baugh and seconded by Ms. Fedack to approve the minutes as presented. There were no corrections or additions, and the minutes were approved as presented.

**OLD BUSINESS** 

Mr. Shearouse reported that he has not received feedback from the Board regarding the budget and no internal edits have been made. Consequently, approval of the budget will take place at the June 14, 2022 meeting.

Mr. Shearouse confirmed that the Board's Fall Workshop will be held October 21-22, the location to be determined based on venue availability.

Mr. Shearouse provided updates on three resolutions on today's agenda. He reported that there was a 25% increase (\$60,000.00) in the cost of hydrants and valves; the bids for chemicals came in higher than expected and were reviewed by managers and Purchasing, which considered the use of alternatives, where possible, to lower the costs; and the resolution authorizing the use of eminent domain by declaration of taking to acquire an easement needed for the Southside Bypass project was updated to reflect an appraisal price of \$238.94. The property for the temporary construction easement was also amended to 8,983 square feet.

### **STATUS REPORT**

There was nothing to add to the written report.

At this time, Chairman Baugh introduced the following resolutions:

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## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PURCHASE ORDER TO VERIZON WIRELESS FOR VOICE AND DATA COMMUNICATIONS AND EQUIPMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$110,000.00.

A motion was made by Ms. Fedack and seconded by Mr. Flowers to adopt the resolution as presented. There was no discussion, and the motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION AWARDING THE ANNUAL BID FOR GATE VALVES AND FIRE HYDRANTS TO SOUTHERN PIPE & SUPPLY COMPANY, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$249,617.75.

A motion was made by Mr. Flowers and seconded by Dr. Jones to adopt the resolution as presented. There was no discussion, and the motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION AWARDING THE BID FOR ANNUAL DRY AND LIQUID TREATMENT CHEMICALS ON AN ASNEEDED BASIS TO VARIOUS VENDORS.

A motion was made by Mr. Flowers and seconded by Ms. Robinson to adopt the resolution as presented. There was no discussion, and the motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OR EMINENT DOMAIN BY DECLARATION OF TAKING TO ACQUIRE A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT NEEDED FOR THE SOUTHSIDE BYPASS PROJECT.

A motion was made by Ms. Baugh and seconded by Ms. Brown to adopt the resolution as presented. There was no discussion, and the motion passed unanimously.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Shearouse announced that the Authority received the Partners in Education's (PIE) Partner Legacy Award today at the PIE End of Year Celebration. He credited Communications Coordinator Lyndsey Sargent, WSA liaison and chair of the PIE Board this year, for her excellent work in coordinating all of the Authority's programs with PIE and the Douglas County School System. Chairman Baugh commended and congratulated Ms. Sargent on her work with PIE and for receiving this award.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was none.	
There was no further business before the was no objection, and the meeting was ac	Board, so Chairman Baugh called the meeting to an end. There djourned.
Approved by,	Respectfully submitted,
Peggy Baugh, Chairman	Helen R. McCoy, Secretary/Treasurer