

**CEDAR KEY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT
P.O. BOX 309 / 510 THIRD STREET
CEDAR KEY, FL 32625**

**Minutes of Final Budget Hearing
Board of Commissioners
September 29, 2020**

Board Members Present: Joe Hand, Stephen Rosenthal, Dottie Haldeman.

Others Present: John McPherson, Jan Childers, Clay Childers, Steve Priessman, Diana Priessman, Michael Johns, Mandy Offerle, Frank Offerle.

1. Meeting called to order at 5:01 p.m. by Stephen Rosenthal, Chair.
2. Pledge and Prayer.
3. Adoption of Agenda. **Motion** by Joe Hand to adopt the agenda as presented. **Second** by Dottie Haldeman. Passed by a vote of 3-0.
4. Resolution No: 2020-07

A RESOLUTION OF THE CEDAR KEY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT;
ADOPTING THE FINAL LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAXES FOR FISCAL
YEAR 2020-2021; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The resolution was read in full by John McPherson, General Manager. There was general discussion by the Board and a request for public input. **Motion** by Dottie Haldeman to adopt Resolution 2020-07 as presented. **Second** by Joe Hand. Passed by a vote of 3-0 at 5:08 p.m.

5. Resolution No: 2020-08

A RESOLUTION OF THE CEDAR KEY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT; ADOPTING
THE FINAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-21; AND ESTABLISHING AN
EFFECTIVE DATE.

The resolution was read in full by John McPherson, General Manager. The General Manager went over the changes in the final budget compared to the tentative budget. There was general discussion by the Board and a request for public input. **Motion** by Dottie Haldeman to adopt Resolution 2020-08 as presented. **Second** by Joe Hand. Passed by a vote of 3-0 at 5:19 p.m.

6. Public Input. Public input was requested but none was provided.
7. Approval of Minutes. **Motion** by Dottie Haldeman to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of September 14, 2020, as presented. **Second** by Joe Hand. Passed by a vote of 3-0.

8. **WiFiber Update.** The General Manager advised the Board that he and Michael Johns with WiFiber had been working on a lease agreement and rental rates for internet service facilities currently attached to the water tower on a trial basis. Michael Johns participated in a discussion on the proper rent to charge in light of the general requirement that the District obtain market rates for the lease of District property. Steve Priessman presented information regarding the market rate for communications equipment on utility towers and suggested that what was being offered by Mr. Johns was reasonable. It was generally agreed that the lease rate could start out low and increase over time as new customers signed up for the service. The General Manager advised the Board that he and Mr. Johns would continue discussions and that a draft lease agreement would be brought to the Board at the October meeting.
9. **General Manager Report.** The General Manager reported on the excellent test results for DBP levels in the first round of DBP testing during the pilot test of the granulated activated carbon filtration system. He advised the Board that pursuant to the pilot test protocol, the Miex system had now been bypassed to determine how the GAC system will function without it, and that the next round of testing would take place during the first week of October.
10. **Commissioner Comments.** Dottie Haldeman stated that she was very happy about the DBP test results and hoped that it would be reported in the Cedar Key News.
11. **Public Input:** Public input was requested but none was provided.
12. **Adjournment.** There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.


Stephen B. Rosenthal, Chairperson


Leslie Sturmer, Commissioner &
Secretary of the Board

Date: 10/12/2020