

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

**Minutes of Regular Meeting
Board of Commissioners
October 11, 2021**

Board Members Present: Joe Hand, Stephen Rosenthal, Dottie Haldeman, Leslie Sturmer, Tabitha Lauer.

Others Present: Chad Wisdom, John McPherson, Jan Childers, Clay Childers.

1. Meeting called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Stephen Rosenthal, Chair.
2. Pledge and Prayer.
3. Adoption of Agenda. **Motion** by Dottie Haldeman to adopt the agenda as presented. **Second** by Joe Hand. Passed by a vote of 5-0.
4. Approval of Minutes. **Motion** by Dottie Haldeman to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of September 13, 2021, and of the final budget hearing on September 27, 2021, with the addition of Tabitha Lauer, Chad Wisdom, and Dottie Haldeman as having attended the sea level workshop in Cedar Key. **Second** by Joe Hand. Passed by a vote of 5-0.
5. Financial Reports. Budget, Balance Sheet, Checkbook Activity, and Employee Leave reports were presented for review. There was discussion about the following issues: high amount due by L&M Pool; location of RD loan payment on the reports; and location of GAC expenditures on reports. **Motion** by Leslie Sturmer to accept the financial reports as presented. **Second** by Dottie Haldeman. Passed by a vote of 5-0.
6. Bill Adjustment Requests. The General Manager presented bill adjustment requests from Big Deck Raw Bar, GJH of Mitchell Place LLC, and Richard White. **Motion** by Dottie Haldeman to approve each of the requests as meeting the requirements for an adjustment to the wastewater amount billed. **Second** by Joe Hand. Passed by a vote of 5-0.
7. Resolution No. 2021-04 on Second Reading:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CEDAR KEY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT
AMENDING RATES FOR WATER AND SEWER CHARGES; PROVIDING
INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CODIFIER; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion by Tabitha Lauer to adopt Resolution 2021-04 as presented. **Second** by Dottie Haldeman. Passed by a vote of 5-0.

8. General Manager Report.

a. Water Plant.

The GM reported that the District has finished the Actina pilot study and is moving forward with planning with Mittauer on the new water plant. He reported that he had spoken with Tim Norman about the pipeline project and that Mr. Norman was very supportive and promised some technical specifications that would be needed for the pipeline, and suggested an estimated cost of the pipeline to be \$12 to \$13 million. The GM stated that he encouraged Mr. Norman to continue working on the new plant design while the pipeline issue was being addressed. The GM stated that the City of Bronson City Commission would be discussing the pipeline issue at its next meeting. Joe Hand noted that Tim Norman agreed that the Actina pilot test had not been successful in terms of TOC removal; that there is the possibility of needing a full time operator for the water plant due to its proposed complexity; and that the Miex discharge from the new plant may need to be piped to the wastewater treatment plant.

b. Wastewater System.

The GM reported that he had gone to the legislative delegation meeting and requested funding for rehabilitation of the District's wastewater lift stations, and would be submitting a formal written proposal for such funding.

c. Cell Service. The GM reported that Verizon has started construction on the ground facilities on the water tower site, but that there were delays due to parts delivery.

d. Covid-19. The GM reported that the District continues to follow mask-wearing and separation protocols at the District office, with no symptoms or testing this month. He stated that vaccines are available for essential workers and that all employees are being urged to get them.

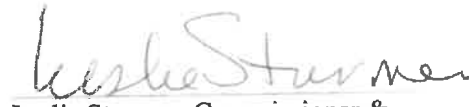
9. Attorney Report. The attorney reported that the election date for the City of Cedar Key elections has been changed and that he was going to check on whether the District needed to do anything in response.

10. Commissioner Comments:

- Dottie Haldeman asked about the appropriate pay raise for Gabe Doty now that he has obtained his wastewater operator license. The General Manager stated that he would report back on this at the next meeting.
- Dottie Haldeman asked about the possibility of starting a utility operator training program at Cedar Key School similar to the program that is ongoing at Bronson High School.
- Joe Hand asked about the possibility of getting some of the Covid relief money obtained by the City, since one authorized use of such money is for utilities. The General Manager stated that he would check into it.

- Joe Hand made a presentation on "Using GAC to Reduce TOC to Meet TTHM Drinking Water Standards in Cedar Key." There was general discussion about the issues raised by the information in the report.
11. Public Input. Clay Childers suggested that if the District decided to use well water from Bronson, it would need to have the ability to treat the District's well water in case there was a problem with getting water from Bronson.
 12. Adjournment: There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 6:09 p.m.


Stephen B. Rosenthal, Chairperson


Leslie Sturmer, Commissioner &
Secretary of the Board

Date: 11/8/2021