

Board meeting January 11, 2022

Board meeting called to order at 6:05 PM

Members in attendance

Chad Brock

Shawn Miller

Bill Clem

Dewayne Williams (New board member)

Last month's minutes

Motion made to approve by Shawn Miller

Bill Clem seconds

all was in favor motion passed

Water Loss

Water loss was up to 47% due to winter and line breaks. We lost one million gallons in Sukey ridge tank due to leaks. Lost 700,000 in ages and lost 900,000 in Putney. Ages was a service line under the road, Putney was four service lines. Sukey ridge was a valve and a one-inch service line.

Health of the system was shown from year to year in 2020 water loss was 50% and in 2021 it was 36% and we have cut the it has come down 85,000,000 gallons with is \$255,000.00.

Computers

The computers can be ordered when the account is up to date, and we must pay for them up front and then they will ship and come and install them

Phone system

Phone system is up and working great there was a learning curve, but it is working great now

BB&T AND Monticello banks

Shawn Miller made motion for Troy Gaw to go to BB&T and Monticello banks and close all accounts and to have a check made out to Black Mountain Utility District and deposit it into the account at Hearthside bank

Bill Clem second's motion

All board members are in favor and motion passes

Financials

We paid two of the back garbage bills and only have one to pay to catch up on the garbage. All bills are paid, and we are doing ok. It is tight but we are ok. Sometimes bills come in late but we can pay them.

Motion made by Shawn Miller to pay the garbage bills out of surcharge money

Bill Clem seconded the motion

All in favor, motion carried

Shawn Miller made a motion to pay the monthly bills

Bill Clem seconded the motion

All in favor, motion carried

Motion made by Shawn Miller to adjourn meeting

Motion seconded by Bill Clem to adjourn

All in favor, motion carried

Meeting Adjourned



February 15, 2022

Shawn Miller called meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Board members in attendance

Chad Brock

Shawn Miller

Dewayne Williams

Motion asked from Shawn Miller to approve last month's minutes

Chad Brock make motion

Dewayne Williams seconds it

Sewage plant clean up

Going to work on having it clean before March board meeting so Ken can get what he needs to start the process and get it done.

Creek crossing at Dayhoit

We have all the supplies to do the creek crossing and going to get started asap the weather is going to get bad.

Computers

Computers must be paid for before ordering have all the information to give to Troy so he can cut a check for the \$10,900.00 for 4 computers and software and installation

Phone system

Phone system is working out great

Insurance

Ed Little came to the board meeting with quotes on insurance and we were getting a 13% increase. The board discussed the insurance increase, and we have a \$1,000.00 deductible. With this increase we are looking at a 2,000 dollar a month increase all we can do is to raise the deductible to get cheaper insurance rate. We are going to a 2,000-dollar deductible to get a cheaper rate on insurance.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MARCH 8, 2022

Present: Shawn Miller, Chad Brock, Dwayne Williams, Brandon Shepherd, Grant Cooper, Troy Gaw, Ken Taylor and Marcella Fuson.

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m. by Chairman Chad Brock.

Shawn Miller made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Brandon Shepherd seconded the motion. All in favor.

Ken Taylor gave an update he said on the left side of Ages hollow they moved the water and sewer line again; it was done in the last two months. Ken said we will need to move it and get two easements from Hub Dean and the Rigney family. Ken said the highway department will pay them for the easements. He said the money the county is getting, KIA is sending out a letter for agreement to pay. Ken said we need to look at the numbers on the Wallins rehab project.

Chad said the money was used for the Closplint project they bought the property out of that money. Troy said they hadn't paid BMUD back for that yet.

Ken said it needs a tap and we will have to put in septic units. Ken said KIA would pay for a tap in Letcher County if we can sell them water. Grant said we will have to talk to Otis from Harlan first.

Grant said across the mountain, Putney and Rosspint especially Pine Mountain has low pressure if you turn the pumps on. So we need to see if Otis can get more pressure up there or not. Putney is running 6 hours; Ken said it won't be any different to run it 7 hours; we have to look and see what can be done.

Ken said Roger, the deputy director for KIA talked to me Thursday or Friday to see what Harlan County may need. They estimated \$720,000 for all new meters and are we are now going to use the \$125,000 for new meters. Grant said we can't get meters in they are delayed. He also said Harry Gibson will send a bill for changing out lines.

Grant said the water loss is up 50% the Ages and Sukey Ridge lines keep popping off; setters have no inserts and keep blowing apart on the weekends. He said the pressure is wrong in Ages it's been up, the fire Department messed up the PRV. He said we had three leaks on Sukey Ridge, Daniel found one of them today. The tap for Intermont apartments will be done tomorrow. They are putting in a Family dollar in Coldiron and are asking about a tap there. Shawn Miller asked if Sukey Ridge was under control. Grant said it was under control. The road by the old hotel, next to the pump station has a soft spot in the road that just happened. Brandon Shepherd said we will need to fix it soon.

Hiring a part time office worker was discussed, no decision was made and the board said they will address it at the next meeting. Dwayne Williams asked why BMUD didn't pay the board members. He said in most places they get paid \$100 per meeting. The board will discuss this at another time.

Troy said the bills are up to date, we are a little broke and I can transfer money in holding account if we need to. The board agreed new meters can help if they are changed. Dwayne Williams made a motion to use \$20,000 for new meters. Shawn Miller seconded the motion to buy as many as we can, to use in the most places we need. Grant said we will use them mostly for the zero reads. Troy said I finally closed the BB&T accounts and the Monticello accounts.

Grant said we are still waiting on the new trucks.

Shawn Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting Brandon Shepherd seconded the motion. All in favor.

Marcella Fuson Minutes taken and typed by

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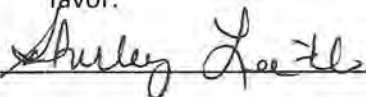
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REGUALR BOARD MEETING

APRIL 22, 2022

Present: Shawn Miller, Dwayne Williams, Brandon Shepherd, Grant Cooper, Ken Taylor and Shirley Leitch

- The meeting was called to order by Co- Chairman Shawn Miller
- Dwayne made a motion to approve of last month minutes, 2nd by Bill, all in favor
- Ken discussed the sewage plant and it was taking to long, needs to speed up. Discussed the issue with Rick. Only 6 homes in a roll not add no one for new sewage customers. Discussed how to withdrawal and spend funds.
- Grant discussed computers, and a tech with Software solutions will be here the 18th to install all four new systems.
- Grant discussed Dayhoit creek crossing being done and presented pictures of finished project.
- Did not have any financials to discuss, Troy did not make meeting.
- Water loss is up to 38%, found out Harlan meters are read wrong.
- Found Sukey Ridge leak, from 134, 000 a day to 42,000.
- Leak from 2.9 million to 540,000
- Flow check Wallins down from 47% to 35%.
- Discussed Green Hills pumps and Biglow tanks. Revamp tap fees.
- Grant discussed Ages Hollow Creek crossing, and the way it needs to be replaced and will be in near future.
- Fire hydrants in Wallins, why are they being damaged and how to fix them. Dwayne made a motion to buy one new hydrant and was second by Brandon, all in favor. Told Grant to explain to all fire departments proper procedure in handling hydrants without damaging them as they replace/ repair them.
- Discussed a new insurance plan at a better price for company and to join the Ky Chamber of Commerce to get a better rate. Discussed different plan but Dwayne made motion to join Ky Chamber or Commerce to accept the 66QX plan through Anthem and was second by Brandon, all in favor.
- Brandon make motion for Grant to sign all paper work to get insurance started by May 1, second by Bill, all in favor.
- Discussed Rick position, Daniel training and Board Members training.
- Shawn Miller made motion adjourn the meeting Brandon Shepherd second the motion, all in favor.

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Motion to take the deductible up to \$2,000.00 on the insurance and renew the policy make by Dewayne Williams

Chad Brock seconds the motion

Motion passes

Fire hydrants

Going to work on the fire hydrants in Williams and doing maintenance on the hydrants going to work with the fire department on training and maintenance on the hydrants. It isn't only Wallins it is everywhere in the system.

Water loss

Water loss is down to 32% from 47% finding and fixing service lines going to keep fighting the leaks

Financials

Everything is slow right now and everything is tight right now all the bills is up to date, and we can find the money for the computers. We are still only one month behind on the garbage.

Sanitary surveys

We got good results on all our systems had miner problems with overflows which we are going to fix and send in the reports on it. We must get someone up to Class II distribution Grant and Daniel is going to get that done.

Generator quote

The quote came in at \$21,000.00 that is a three phase and that is driving the price of the generator we are going to check and see where we can go with this going to

Motion to adjourn meeting make by Shawn Miller

Seconded by Chad Brock

Motion passes meeting Adjourned

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MAY 10, 2022

Present: Branden Shepherd, Shawn Miller, Chad Brock and Bill Clem, Grant cooper, Marcella Fuson, ken Taylor and Troy Gaw.

Chairman Chad Brock called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Shawn Miller made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Branden Shepherd seconded the motion. All in favor.

Troy had an update on the finances. He said payments are coming in better. \$59,000 is owed on the last of the old trash bills. He said there is a break down showing the difference in Jan, Feb., March, and April. We are waiting on rate increase.

Ken Taylor gave an update, He said we are working on the sewer up there at Closplint but we need road bore up there. Chad asked if they could use the tank for the septic tank. Ken said he don't think it will work but they can check. Grant said we may have to get an operator before that we are in violation. Ken said the money is tied to profile with KIA. He said need to adjust profile, then an E-mail comes down to sign saying you want the money. It won't pay for all that but part of it. Then they will send what you really need to do. Money will come to BMUD and amended budget to include it in your budget. Rate increase/draft for auditor to finalize.

Grant gave a water loss report. He said it is up a little bit with all the stuff going on in Wallins. It's at 43.07%. Wallins drained the tank. He said we fixed 17 leaks in two days. He said the PRV on the hill is damaged he talked to Otis on Wallins Quite for PRV \$5552.82. Grant said the pressure is what is messing with the lines. We need to fix the pressure that will help with some of these line breaks. Grant said we need to first fix Wallins pressure then the Telemetry across the mountain.

The board discussed becoming a member of the State Chamber of Commerce with a membership fee of \$1,000 per year.

Shawn Miller made a motion to pay the monthly bills. Branden Shepherd seconded the motion. All in favor.

Branden Shepherd made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Shawn Miller seconded the motion. All in favor.

Minutes taken and type by: _____

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING AUGUST 2022

- PRESENT: GRANT COOPER, BRANDON SHEPHERD, BILL MOORE, BOB MILLER, CHAD BROCK, DEWAYNE WILLIAMS, AND KEN TAYLOR.
- MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAD BROCK.
- CHAD MADE MOTION TO APPROVE LAST MONTHS MINUTES, 2ND BY BRANDON.
- BOB DISCUSSED RATE CASE STUDY, SPEAKING OF RATE CHANGE. SET PRICE FOR APPLICATION WITH PSC. (Rate Increase) \$7.91 SUR-CHARGE, 5.54% + S/C 24% or 11.68% + S/C 30%. GIVE CUSTOMER NOTICE OF THE INCREASE. 3 NOTICES, ONE BEFORE APPLICATION.
- RETURN CHECK DECREASE
- TAP FEE CHANGE
- 1ST DECIDE ON SMALLER OR LARGER INCREASE CHANGE.
- 2ND DECIDE ON WATER LOSS SUR CHARGE, IN SEPARATE FUND, USE FOR METER LEAKS MUST LAY OUT PLAN.
- 3rd, ASK FOR ALL AT ONCE OR OVER 2 OR MORE YEARS
- WATER LOSS ABOUT 40% A MONTH, SUR CHARGE FOR LEAKS ONLY. (FIXING)
- KEN- SEWER, LITTLE SHEPARD'S TRAIL SWAP CAMP CAN THEY GET WATER. MAYBE BE ELIGIBLE FOR MONEY.
- MOTION VOTE FOR SUR CHARGE INCREASE, DEWAYNE YES, CHAD YES, BRANDON YES, BILL NO. THE CHOICE ON THE MATTER ASKING FOR 5% INCREASE, AND 2 ZONE SUR CHARGE.
- MOTION FOR 5% RATE INCREASE AND 2 ZONE SUR CHARGE RAISE, MOTION APPROVED. ALL MEMBERS VOTED YES.
- MOTION TO PAY BILLS APPROVED, DEWAYNE AND 2ND BY BRANDON.
- MOTION TO APPROVE FINANCIALS, DEWAYNE.
- MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING, DEWAYNE 2ND BY BRANDON.
- MEETING OVER AT 8:46 PM.
- MARY HATMAKER

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BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 13, 2022

Present: Brandon Shepherd, Chad Brock, Shawn Miller, Dwayne Williams, Bill Clem, Grant Cooper, Ken Taylor and Marcella Fuson.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Chad Brock at 6:00 p.m.

Customer Complaints:

-Johnny/Snobia Brock, Snobia Brock was present. She said she didn't get any credit for what she paid and she was tired of getting these high bills. She was showed that she did get credit for her payments, and she also got credit for her zero reads. She just got real low bills the for a few months then the reads showed what she really used. After discussion, Dwayne Williams made a motion to give her a leak adjustment and she understands, she cannot get another leak adjustment for one year. This would make her balance \$239.79, taking of \$333.38 for the leak adjustment. Brandon Shepherd seconded the motion. All in favor.

-Paul Gross wasn't present but he did send a letter and a copy was given to each board member. Mr. Gross stated in the letter that he did not use that much water and he wanted it adjusted off his bill in the amount of \$43.78. He also was concerned about the read dates of 2/9, 3/9, 4/8, 5/10, and 6/25.

The reason the June bill was so much later was because we had his read on 6/9 but when we get a high read we send the men out to get a re-read. On 6/9 he had used 5,340 gallon and on 6/25 he had used 6,590. His meter was profiled and he was given a copy that showed the date and time the water was in high use. The board said all they can do is give him a leak adjustment which would take off \$18.13, and He couldn't get another leak adjustment for one year.

-Clark Middleton was not present at the meeting, his issue was resolved before the meeting.

The August 9, 2022 board minutes were given to each board member. Brandon Shepherd made a motion to accept the minutes as read, with Bill Moore being changed to Bill Clem. Bill Clem seconded the motion. All in favor.

Bill Clem asked about the Board members appointment, he thought his ran out in March but after calling the County Judge Executive's office they had reappointed Bill Clem till 03-20-26 and Brandon Shepherd till 12-1-25, those were the two that we didn't have their terms extended.

The sewer station at Closplint was discussed. Ken Taylor said as it is right now even when they get it changed around it will fall under the responsibility of BMUD unless they can give it back to the county. After discussion Chad Brock asked why it would have to be anyone's responsibility except for the home owner because they were going to turn it over to them once they get them one their own instead of the current sewer plant. Ken Taylor said he will change the application where the home owners will be responsible for it, then BMUD will have to run bids for the project.

Ken Taylor said the cleaner water money will be for all the utilities. It's for \$1,630,000. He said the last time BMUD got 1/3, Cawood got 1/3 Harlan got 1/3 then it got moved to BMUD. Everts is wanting some of the money and the City of Loyall and he's not sure about Tri City. Ken said he sent the Judge a message to call in about the money and when the meeting will be. He also asked him to check on Lynch/Benham and all the utilities.

Ken said we may need to have a special called meeting to get the bid going on the sewer system, and we will need signatures on all the home owners on that system.

Shawn Miller made a motion for Chad Brock the chairman to make all discissions and sign any documents pertaining to the Louellen/Closplint sewer plant. Bill Clem seconded the motion. All in favor.

Grant reported on the water loss. The lines were really deep he said they have a hard time finding leaks. Grant said we possibility can get about 720 more meters in grant money and telemetry across the mountain, which is needed. The board discussed having a Burst valve that will close itself and not let a lot of water come out at once, water can go through it but not all at once. Grant said we lost Kenvir tank twice. He said we lost about 9 million gallons of water on the ground last month.

Dwayne Williams made a motion to pay the monthly bills. Shawn Miller seconded the motion. All in favor.

Dwayne asked why the insurance was so much higher this time, Grant told him it was for two months.

Dwayne Williams made a motion to buy the excavator bucket for \$703. Shawn Miller seconded the motion. All in favor.

Grant said he checked on the trucks we only ordered two not four. The board said order four and we can turn the two old ones in on two of the new ones and get the payments down.

Shawn Miller made a motion for Chairman Chad Brock to sign all documents for the Promissory Note at the bank. Brandon Shepherd seconded the motion. All in favor.

Dwayne Williams made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m. Shawn Miller seconded the motion. All in favor.

Minutes taken and typed by: Marcella Fuson

Minutes accepted as read: _____

Regular Board Meeting

June 14, 2022

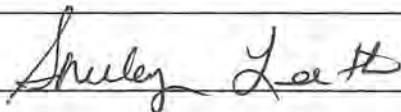
Present: Chad Brock, Dewayne Williams, Brandon Shepherd, Troy Gaw, Ken Taylor, Bill Clem, Grant Cooper and Shirley Leitch

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Chad Brock at 6:02 P.M.

- Ken Taylor gave update on sewer plant. Everything is on track. Nine foot deep road bore and gravity feed. Need a certified installer. Motion for Chad to sign for grant money. Bill makes motion to sign all necessary documents. Brandon 2nd the motion. All in favor. 820,000 in clean water funding, have until Dec 26th, 2026 to spend and keep track.
- Ages creek crossing-plans to start on it next week.
- Water loss at 42% this month, up a little at Closplint. Up some on Sukey Ridge. Wallins water loss is down to 35% from 55% last month, cut back pressure to 60 PSI. No complaints, 240-250 in service lines in valley. Booster pump station needs to be put in Terrys Fork. Lower than 25 PSI.
- Audits-2020 complete.
- Wallins fire hydrant has a cracked head. Cheaper to replace than repair. Dewayne asked about Dayhoits fire hydrant to be fixed.
- Financials-bond payments and KIA and water bonds 30,000 plus was discussed. Due again in late Nov.
- Troy informed the board; he was transferring 15,000.00 per month over to surcharge rate to have around 90,000 at end of Nov to pay off loans.
- Grant discussed Rick's position-to rehire or just try to keep on doing what we are now doing.
- Went into executive session
- Chad to Grant to hire someone in Ricks position. We are short handed now and if someone else was off it would really put us in a bad position.
- Motion made to pay all bills, second by Dewayne All in favor.
- Chad made motion to adjourn. 2nd by Brandon. All in favor.

_____ Accept board minutes with corrections

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