

Southern Water and Sewer District

245 KY RT 680

McDowell, KY 41647

Regular Scheduled Meeting January 27, 2025

At 5:30 p.m.

Attendance

Donnie Daniels, Chairman

Steven Bailey, Attorney

Steve Dawson, Treasurer

Jeff Reed, Accountant

Bob Shepherd, Secretary

Shawn Hicks, EDC

Byron Scott, Commissioner

Randy Conley, General Manager

Lucy Howell, staff

Missy Allen, Visitor

Justin Brown, Visitor

A. Agenda Item/ Called or order/Prayer

The meeting was called to order at 5:37 p.m. by Chairman, Donnie Daniels. The prayer was led by Steve Dawson, the Treasurer.

B. Agenda Item/Visitors

There were two visitors present. Missy Allen and Justin Brown. Discussion about the outage this past weekend and communication with the public.

C. Agenda Item/Project Updates

Shawn Hicks with EDC was present and gave updates on the ongoing projects.

Water Plant Project: the bid opening was Friday January 24. There were two bids submitted one from Elliott Contracting and the other Pace Construction with both bids above the project budget. They will be looking to revising the plan.

The 979 Project is in the final stages of process, they are going to break it down into two phases with the first phase starting sometime in the summer to try to avoid the school congestion traffic.

The Route 680 Project, the Drinking Water portion is still in the process of getting approval. There are three streams that must be crossed and are submitting the

approvals for that. Also, they will have to cross CSX are Dace Elementary and they have started working on the permit for that.

D. Agenda Item/Surcharge

After discussion the surcharge will be removed from the billing this billing cycle. We will look in March at the balance of the Surcharge account.

E. Agenda Item/Approval of December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024, meeting minutes

After reviewing the minutes of the December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024, meeting, a motion was made by Steve Dawson, seconded by Bob Shepherd, all were in favor, no opposed.

F. Agenda Item/ Financial Report

The financial report was given by Jeff Reed, Accountant. All questions were discussed and answered. The motion to approve the Financial Report was made by Steve Dawson, seconded by Byron Scott, all were in favor, no opposed.

G. Agenda Item/Bank balances and Accounts payable

The bank balance was presented by Lucy Howell. After discussion of accounts payable the decision was made to move \$50,000.00 from the EK Safe account and move to the general account to help with accounts payable. The motion was made by Donnie Daniels and seconded by Steve Dawson, all were in favor, no opposed.

H. Agenda Item/Legal

There were no legal issues to update.

I. Agenda Item/Managers Report

The Manager's Report was given by Randy Conley. Discussion of the contract with Prestonsburg City Utilities was discussed again and the decision was made to sign the contract. The motion was made by Byron Scott and seconded by Bob Shepherd, all were in favor and no opposed.

J. Agenda Item/Commissioner Comments

None given

K. Agenda Item/Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made at 7:45 p.m. by Bob Shepherd, seconded by Steve Dawson.

Signed by



Donnie Daniels, Chairman of the Board



Bob Shepherd, Secretary

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Regular scheduled meeting February 24, 2025

At 5:30 p.m.

Attendance

Donnie Daniels, Chairman

Rick Roberts, Vice Chairman

Steve Dawson, Treasurer

Bob Shepherd, Secretary

Byron Scott, Commissioner

Steven Bailey, Attorney

Tim Campoy, EDC

Eric Ratliff, Big Sandy ADD

Randy Conley, Manager

Lucy Howell, staff

A. Agenda Item/Call to Order/Prayer

The meeting was called to order at 5:48 p.m. by Chairman, Donnie Daniels. The prayer was led by Steve Dawson, Treasure.

B. Agenda Item/Visitors

There were no visitors present.

C. Project Updates

The Rt 680 Project; we have received approval for the flood plan permit, the corp. of engineer's permits is still under review. The CXS permit has been submitted.

The 979 Project. The state department has determined that it will be split into two sections for sure, and the plans are still being reviewed.

D. Agenda Item/Discussion about Water Plant Project Tim Campoy for EDC along with Eric Ratliff from Big Sandy ADD, gave project updates for The Water Treatment Plant Project.

The plans have been revised. All the grant money will be available now for the project. The new budget was presented by Eric Ratliff and discussed.

A motion was made to approve the new budget by Donnie Daniels, seconded by Bob Shepherd, all were in favor and no opposed.

After discussion about the bids that were submitted, a motion was made to reject all the bids that were submitted by Rick Roberts, seconded by Bob Shepherd, all were in favor, no opposed.

Discussion about redoing the bidding process to include the whole scope of work

. An invoice from Bell Engineering was submitted for a \$9,420.00 motion to accept and pay this invoice was made by Rick Roberts, seconded by Steve Dawson, all were in favor and no opposed.

E. Agenda Item/approval for January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025, meeting minutes.

After reviewing the minutes of the meeting. A motion was made to accept the minutes by Steve Dawson, seconded by Bob Shepherd, all were in favor and no opposed.

F. Agenda Item/Financial

The Financials for January will have to be tabled until the next meeting due to a problem with the software at the accountant's office.

G. Agenda Item/Bank balances and outstanding bills

The bank balances and outstanding bills were presented by Lucy Howell, after discussion the decision was made to move \$67,000.00 from the EKsafe account into the general account. The motion was made by Bob Shepherd, seconded by Rick Roberts, all were in favor, no opposed.

H. Agenda Item/Legal

- a. Rate study case update was given by Steven Bailey, an attorney. The case is moving forward, the first round of information will be sent to the Public Service Commission later this week.
- b. PFAS case, discussion about PFAS case and a resolution to sign with Mitchel T. Denham attorney at law 500 W Jefferson Street, Suite 2400 Louisville, KY 40202 to be the attorney that will handle this for the company. A motion was made to sign the resolution by Steve Dawson, seconded by Byron Scott, all were in favor and no opposed.

I. Agenda Item/UMG Managers report

Managers report given by Randy Conley. Discussions about recent outages and efforts to correct. No formal report was given at this time.

J. Agenda Item/Commissioner Comments

Donnie Daniels is very pleased with the crew and their performance during this state of emergency and thinks the crew should be compensated for their performance. Steve Dawson agrees and after much discussion the motion to give a performance bonus to each employee was made by Donnie Daniels, seconded by Steve Dawson,

all were in favor, no opposed. All Commissioner were very well pleased with the progress the crew has made during this disaster and wants to let the crew know how much they are appreciated.

K. Agenda Item/Adjournment

At 7:32 p.m. a motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Bob Shepherd, seconded by Steve Dawson, all were in favor and no opposed.

Signed by



Donnie Daniels, Chairman

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Vice Chairman*

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Regular scheduled Meeting March 24, 2025

@ 5:30 p.m.

Attendance

Donnie Daniels, Chairman

Steven Bailey, Attorney

Rick Roberts, Vice Chairman

Jeff Reed, Accountant

Steven Dawson, Treasurer

Eric Ratliff, Big Sandy ADD

Byron Scott, Commissioner

Tim Campoy, EDC

Randy Conley, Manager UMG

Lucy Howell, staff

A. Agenda Item/ Meeting called to order/prayer

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Donnie Daniels. The prayer was led by Steven Dawson.

B. Agenda Item/Visitors

There were no visitors present.

C. Agenda Item/Project updates

Tim Campoy presented updates on the projects.

The Route 979 Project is at a standstill, waiting on the State Highway Department to move forward. They are still dealing with right-of-way issues and are waiting to get them resolved.

The Rt 680 to Minnie project; we now have the approval from the Transportation Cabinet and have been approved for all the stream crossings. The CSX permit is being reviewed. Because of the scope of the project the Division of Water wants to run the project model for a 72-hour period. The Corp of Engineers has yet to respond to this project, several phone calls and letters have been made with no response.

The Water Treatment Plant Project is moving forward, the EPA is working very quickly to help speed this project along. Eric Ratliff was present to let us know that we do not have to match the \$750,000.00 for the grant money, after discussion and all

questions answered, a motion was made to sign a waiver for the \$750,000.00. This motion was made by Steven Dawson, seconded by Rick Roberts, all were in favor, no opposed.

D. Agenda Item/Approval of February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025, meeting minutes

After the minutes were reviewed, a motion was made to approve and accept the minutes by Byron Scott, seconded by Steven Dawson, all were in favor and no opposed.

E. Agenda Item/discussion of Zenner meters

There was a discussion about the new Zenner meters, they were installed in October and so far, there are no problems or issues, there are still some unanswered questions about the invoices for them. Randy will talk with Troy from Hayes Pipe and get these questions resolved. After discussion a motion was made to table this until the next board meeting by Steven Dawson, seconded by Rick Roberts, all were in favor and no opposed.

F. Agenda Item/Financial

The Financial report was given by Jeff Reed, accountant. The January and February 2025 reports were presented and discussed. After all questions were answered, a motion was made to approve and accept the January and February 2025 finances, this motion was made by Byron Scott, seconded by Steven Dawson, all were in favor, no opposed.

Jeff Reed presented an engagement letter for 2025 from Michael Spears, CPA office for their services for the year. Nothing changed, no increase in charges, everything remains the same, after this discussion and questions answered, a motion was made to sign the engagement letter by Steven Dawson, seconded by Byron Scott, all were in favor, no opposed.

G. Agenda Item/bank balances and outstanding bills

The bank balances and outstanding bills were presented by Lucy Howell. After discussion and all questions answered, the decision was made to transfer \$70,000 from the EK Safe money to help pay for extra expenses for supplies during the recent flooding. The motion was made by Byron Scott, seconded by Steven Dawson, all were in favor and no opposed.

H. Agenda Item/Legal

Legal report was given by Attorney Steven Bailey.

The attorney for Zact Communications are wanting to move forward with mediation, after discussion, we will try reach out to make a settlement before mediation.

The Rate study Case is moving forward. We are working with Bob Miller to get the answers to the second round of data requests.

I. Agenda Item/Managers Report

The Manager's report was given by Randy Conley. Progress reports given about all the leak repairs from the recent flooding was discussed and we are still continuing to work on getting our water loss down.

J. Agenda Item/Commissioner's Comments

Steven Dawson wants us to make efforts to try to reduce water purchases. Byron Scott, Rick Roberts, Donny Daniels have no comments.

K. Agenda Item/Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. by Steven Dawson, seconded by Rick Roberts, all were in favor, no opposed.

Signed

Donny Daniels, Chairman

Bob Shepherd, Secretary