



**June 6, 2022  
Regular Board Meeting**

The Regular Meeting of Madison Utilities convened at the Madison Utilities' Office located at 101 Ray Sanderson Drive with Chairman Terris Tatum presiding. Vice Chairman Steve Haraway, Director Rob Szmyd, Director Keith Cook, and Director Connie Spears were in attendance. Also present were Secretary/Treasurer/General Manager Emory DeBord and Recording Clerk Jodie Parker.

Others present were Wastewater Manager Mark Bland, Water Manager Jason Leggett, Finance Manager Gary Sparks, Customer Service Manager Misty Leftwich, and New Development Coordinator Reece Lee. Attorney Woody Sanderson was absent.

Chairman Terris Tatum called the Regular Board meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Registered public in attendance: None

**1. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**2. CURRENT AGENDA/MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

a. June 6, 2022 Current Agenda

The agenda for the June 6, 2022 Regular Meeting was presented to the Board. Director Spears moved to approve the June 6, 2022 Regular Meeting Agenda as submitted; Director Szmyd seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

b. May 16, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

The minutes for the May 16, 2022 Regular Meeting were presented to the Board. Vice Chairman Haraway moved to approve the May 16, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes; Director Spears seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

**3. PLATS/BONDS**

a. Preliminary Project Approval

i. Sunbelt Rentals

Director Szmyd moved to approve the Preliminary Project Approval for Sunbelt Rentals; Director Spears seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

ii. Staybridge Suites Hotel

Director Szmyd moved to approve the Preliminary Project Approval for Staybridge Suites Hotel; Vice Chairman Haraway seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

iii. Madison Branch

Vice Chairman Haraway moved to approve the Preliminary Project Approval for Madison Branch; Director Szmyd seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

iv. Cottages at Oakland Springs

Director Spears moved to approve the Preliminary Project Approval for the Cottages at Oakland Springs; Director Szmyd seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

b. Dedication and Improvements

i. First Bible Church

Vice Chairman Haraway moved to approve the Dedication of Improvement for the First Bible Church; Director Spears seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

ii. Greenbrier Hills Phase 4

Director Spears moved to approve the Dedication of Improvements for Greenbrier Hills Phase 4; Vice

Chairman Haraway seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

**4. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

a. Revisions to Construction Specifications for Water and Sanitary Sewer

New Development Coordinator Reece Lee briefly explained that there has been an ongoing issue when transitioning from SDR-26 pipe to ductile iron since the measurements don't always exactly match. He further explained that this change to the specifications would propose that only ductile iron be used from manhole to manhole to prevent errors. He added that the other revision simply requires developers to use ultrasonic and compatible meters for our new AMR/AMI system being installed. Director Spears moved to approve the Revisions to Construction Specifications for Water and Sanitary Sewer as outlined; Director Szymd seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

b. Notification of Will Serve Request – Henderson Lane Property

Wastewater Manager Bland briefly explained the specific requirements discussed about the property being developed in the county and informed the Board that the City of Madison was notified of the intent to serve sewer. Director Spears moved to approve the Will Serve Request for the Henderson Lane Property; Vice Chairman Haraway seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

c. Award of Bid – 2022 Fleet Vehicle and Resolution No. WWB-112-2022

Vice Chairman Haraway moved to approve the Award of Bid for the 2022 Fleet Vehicle and Resolution No. WWB-112-2022; Director Spears seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

d. State of Alabama Legislative Act #2022-229 – One time longevity payment to retirees of Madison Utilities to be paid in October 2022 and Resolution No. WWB-113-2022

Finance Manager Sparks explained that he received correspondence last week about Act 2022-229 which was actually enacted last in April. He added that if the Board approved, the response would need to be submitted to RSA before August 31, 2022. Vice Chairman Haraway moved to approve the one-time longevity payment to retirees of Madison Utilities based on the State of Alabama Legislative Act #2022-229; Director Spears seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

**6. LEGAL**

General Manager DeBord presented an agreement from Attorney Sanderson for the Board to review before it was presented to the City Council on their agenda next week. General Manager DeBord added that he and Wastewater Manager Bland were in favor of the agreement.

Vice Chairman Haraway moved to approve the Windstone Park Permissive Use Agreement as presented; Director Szymd seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

**7. WATER REPORT**

Water Manager Leggett reported the work is still ongoing at the Quarry Water Treatment Plant but that it had slowed while waiting for the switch gears. He also stated that the Keene plant is

not quite active yet thought it is working and in order and just waiting on sampling results hopefully in the next week. Water Manager Leggett also mentioned that letters for the lead and copper sampling had gone out to customers last week and now MU will start calling those customers to coordinate pickup of samples.

**8. WASTEWATER REPORT**

Wastewater Manager Bland stated that Terry Beard would be at the next Board meeting with a GIS presentation. He also stated that the wastewater long range plan is almost complete, and that the wastewater treatment plant construction is still behind schedule. Wastewater Manager Bland added that he expected a shipment of radios for the AMR/AMI project to arrive next week. He added that MU is not far off schedule, and he hopes to be back on track by July, but we are currently at the mercy of waiting for meters and radios.

**9. FINANCE REPORT**

Finance Manager Sparks briefly mentioned that a long-time employee of the Wastewater Plant had retired

the end of May.

**10. CUSTOMER SERVICE**

None

**11. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT**

General Manager DeBord mentioned that due to the upcoming holidays of Juneteenth (observed on June 20<sup>th</sup>) and Independence Day on July 4<sup>th</sup>, the next scheduled Board meeting will take place on Monday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, unless something time-sensitive necessitates a called meeting.

**12. VICE CHAIRMAN HARAWAY**

None

**13. DIRECTOR COOK**

None

**14. DIRECTOR SPEARS**

None

**15. DIRECTOR SZMYD**

None

**16. CHAIRMAN TATUM**

None

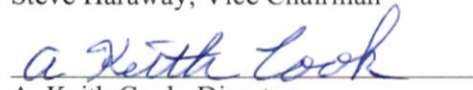
**17. ADJOURNMENT**

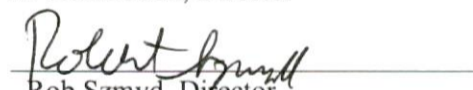
At 6:04 p.m. the Board agreed to adjourn.

Approved,

  
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Terris Tatum, Chairman

  
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Steve Haraway, Vice Chairman

  
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A. Keith Cook, Director

  
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Rob Szmyd, Director

  
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Connie Spears, Director

ATTEST:

  
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Emory DeBord, Secretary/Treasurer