



**August 17, 2020  
Board Work Session Minutes**

A Board Work Session 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 Gerald Clark, Director Rob Szmyd and Director A. Keith Cook were present. Also present were Secretary/Treasurer/General Manager Emory DeBord and Recording Clerk Jodie Parker.

Others present were Finance Manager Gary Sparks, Accountant II Drew Greene, Water Manager Jason Leggett, Wastewater Manager Mark Bland and attorney Woody Sanderson. Customer Service Manager Misty Leftwich attended via Zoom.

Registered Public in attendance: Craig Swinney from Engineers of the South. Robert Pride from Engineers of the South attended via Zoom.

Chairman Terris Tatum, noting that the required notice to conduct a Called Meeting had been met, called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

**1. NEW BUSINESS**

a. Wastewater Treatment Plant Design Proposal Discussion

Craig Swinney from Engineers of the South (EOS) began by outlining some of the current, and projected future, sewer outfall capacity issues. He presented three options which would meet the demands of growth and described some of the pros and cons associated with each. Ultimately, his recommendation was to move forward with the third option which would increase the wastewater treatment plant at the current site. Chairman Tatum and the other Board members agreed that would be the best option moving forward and that a motion would be made during the Board meeting which would follow the work session. Wastewater Manager Bland added that he would bring an award of contract for engineering to the September Board meeting.

b. Triana and Murphy Wells Discussion

Water Manager Leggett discussed with the Board the location and feasibility of use of the southern wells; such as Triana and Murphy wells. He added that, while it may seem that retaining the use of these wells would constitute a safety net in the event of a water shortage, in actuality, there are several factors which would impede their use. It was determined that a member of the Board would discuss the status of the wells in question with the Town of Triana mayor and the owner of the Triana and Murphy wells.

c. Preliminary Budget Discussion

Finance Manager Sparks presented a preliminary budget to the Board and a brief discussion ensued.

**2. ADJOURNMENT**

At 5:10 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

Approved,

Terris Tatum, Chairman

Steve Haraway, Vice Chairman

  
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Gerald Clark, Director

  
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A. Keith Cook, Director

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Rob Szmyd, Director

ATTEST:

  
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Emory DeBord Secretary/Treasurer