



**July 20, 2020
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 Gerald Clark and Director Rob Szmyd were present; Director A. Keith Cook attended via Zoom. Also present were Secretary/Treasurer/General Manager Emory DeBord and Recording Clerk Jodie Parker.

Others present were Finance Manager Gary Sparks, Wastewater Manager Mark Bland, and Customer Service Manager Misty Leftwich. Water Manager Jason Leggett attended via Zoom. Attorney Woody Sanderson was absent.

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

Note: The Regular Meeting was held via video conference using the Zoom App due to recent events and directives relating to the COVID-19 pandemic.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

2. CURRENT AGENDA/MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

a. July 20, 2020 Current Agenda

The agenda for the July 20, 2020 Regular Meeting was presented to the Board. Director Clark moved to approve the July 20, 2020 Regular Meeting Agenda as submitted; Director Szmyd seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

b. July 6, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes

The minutes for the July 6, 2020 Regular Meeting were presented to the Board. Director Clark moved to approve the minutes for the July 6, 2020 Regular Meeting; Vice Chairman Haraway seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

3. PLATS/BONDS

a. Preliminary Project Approval

i. Ashbury, Phase 6

Vice Chairman Haraway moved to approve the Preliminary Project Approval for Ashbury, Phase 6; Director Szmyd seconded the motion. Director Clark abstained. The motion was approved.

ii. Palmer House Apartments at Town Madison

Director Szmyd moved to approve the Preliminary Project Approval for Palmer House Apartments at Town Madison; Vice Chairman Haraway seconded the motion. Director Clark abstained. The motion was approved.

b. Dedication and Improvements

i. Burgreen Farms, Phase 4

Vice Chairman Haraway moved to approve the Dedication of Improvements for Burgreen Farms, Phase 4; Director Szmyd seconded the motion. Director Clark abstained. The motion was approved.

ii. Greenbrier Hills, Phase 3

Director Szmyd moved to approve the Dedication of Improvements for Greenbrier Hills,

Phase 3; Vice Chairman Haraway seconded the motion. Director Clark abstained. The motion was approved.

4. OLD BUSINESS

None.

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. Bid #504-2020 – Madison Utilities Customer Service Drive-thru

General Manager DeBord confirmed to the Board that there had only been one bidder and it was recommended to decline the bid based on the cost being significantly higher than the budgeted amount for the project. Director Clark made a motion to reject Bid #504-2020 for the Madison Utilities Customer Service Drive-thru; Director Szmyd seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

6. LEGAL

None

7. WATER REPORT

Water Manager Leggett stated that he had received the first invoice from ProTurf for landscaping and noted that they had completed 134 of the original 160-170 lawns that needed repair. He added that they had been making good progress and had also done well to prioritize the list of repairs. Director Clark asked about the status of a repair on Princeton Drive. Water Manager Leggett said he would be contacting ProTurf the next day and would check on the status to make sure it would be completed expediently.

Water Manager Leggett also informed the Board that the work on the Keene Water Plant is almost complete; samples have been sent to the lab and are awaiting the results. He added that after the results were received, he would get the Keene Plant running.

8. WASTEWATER REPORT

Wastewater Manager Bland stated he is working on several options to increase the secondary discharge into Blackwell Run from the Wastewater Plant. He added that with the help of Vice Chairman Haraway, Wheeler Wildlife Refuge has agreed to let Krebs Engineering submit a letter for permission to expand the easement. Wastewater Manager Bland also stated he is meeting with Engineers of the South to go over options for more flow to the Tennessee River.

Wastewater Manager Bland commented that the diffusers which were placed in the bottom of the river in 2003 haven't been inspected since and so he had contacted a diving company who will come out and evaluate on Thursday or Friday this week.

9. FINANCE REPORT

None

10. CUSTOMER SERVICE

Chairman Tatum asked Customer Service Manager Leftwich if there had been any problems with closing the lobby due to the increased cases of COVID-19? Customer Service Manager Leftwich stated that there had not been any complaints and that the customer service employees up front had even been helping customers by making their payments for Huntsville Utilities for them at the kiosk in the lobby.

11. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

None

12. VICE CHAIRMAN HARAWAY

None

13. DIRECTOR COOK

None.

14. **DIRECTOR CLARK**

None

15. **DIRECTOR SZMYD**

None

16. **CHAIRMAN TATUM**

None

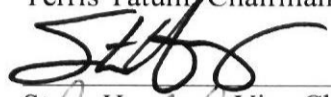
17. **ADJOURNMENT**

At 5:55 p.m. the Board adjourned.

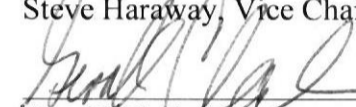
Approved,



Terris Tatum, Chairman



Steve Haraway, Vice Chairman



Gerald Clark, Director



A. Keith Cook, Director



Rob Szmyd, Director

ATTEST:



Emory DeBord, Secretary/Treasurer