FLYING L PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING – FEBRUARY 12, 2024 MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: The February 12, 2024 regular meeting of the Flying L Public Utility District; is called to order by President Judd Ryan at 6:30 PM. Additional Board Members in attendance are Steve Childers, Leslie Rector, Larry Marsh, and Will Dietrich. **A quorum was established.** Also, in attendance is MOC Representative John Montgomery and Field Manager Gary Geldart. Office Manager Nicole Lawlis is absent.

Guests(s) in Attendance: Sandi Johnston

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Sandi said she's been a resident for 27 years and her water bill has always been pretty consistent. She received a water bill for \$556. Her average bill is between \$55 and \$77. She is requesting relief from her water bill which was caused from two leaks on her property. Currently the PUD does not have a program in place regarding water leaks on residential structures.

APPROVE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING: After a review of the January 8, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes, **a motion** was made by Marsh, 2nd by Dietrich to approve the minutes as written. **Unanimous**

FINANCIAL REVIEW & PAY MONTHLY BILLS: Steve presented the financial reports in Nicole's absence. He reviewed the Profit and Loss Previous Year Comparison with total income is up 38%, tax revenue is up, and even with the parking lot cost and new door lock we are still up \$24,000. The Profit & Loss Year to Date shows investment interest is up and tax revenue is up considerably because it is being distributed much faster than last year. Net income this year is \$162,000 compared to -\$5,738 last year. The Balance Sheet and the Expenses by Vendor was reviewed. After discussion a motion was made by Rector, 2nd by Dietrich to accept the reports and pay the monthly bills totaling \$46,617.72 with a transfer of \$50,000 from Deposit Account #266 to Checking Account #816 at Bandera Bank. Unanimous Gary will investigate the McBryde Oil Co's invoice to make sure it is accurate.

REVIEW AND DISCUSS OPERATIONS

MOC: John from MOC went over his monthly Operations Report noting total revenue collected from water & sewer services \$34,765, water billed vs pumped 94%, leaks and flushing 90,000 gallons, sewer connections 191, water connections 338, and two water tests were done – one routine and one special, both were good. He will ask his office to check on the 120-day delinquent figures. Door tags will go up on February 15th for delinquent accounts. The number of delinquent accounts has been reduced. Gary knocks before leaving the door tag and he follows up by phone when needed. Two accounts will be sent to collections. The last 4 hydrant repairs have been completed. Sewer: The last time we had a hard freeze the Reduced Pressure Zone Assembly (RPZA) at the plant cracked which will be replaced next week. The Propane Tank at Lift Station B has been filled. The annual certification on the well discharge meters is due in February. John supplied the Board with the "Lead and Copper Rule Revision". This inventory is due by October 16, 2024 as required by TCEQ. Every service line must be identified as being built before or after 1988. If the structure was built before 1988, operators must lay eyes on both sides of the service line. If the structure is confirmed to be built after 1988, field verification is not necessary.

Gary's Report: The parking lot has been completed with additional drainage work around the property. Well Levels – Well #1 is 319 & Well #2 is 327. There was one report of cloudy water that could not be verified. Chris Molnar is researching an upgraded camera system for the building. Door lock to be installed tomorrow.

Sewer Project With the City: Steve updated the Board on his last conversation with the new City Administrator since he wasn't involved in the previous discussions. The main reason for accepting effluent from the city is to use it on the golf course instead of using the aquafer. It's possible that the City may add additional wells in the same aquafer as ours. The city must relocate their sewer plant. The City Reps said they would get back to us and contact MOC. Storage tanks may be required to hold effluent in times of heavy rain.

Steve informed the Board of the upcoming "Bandera County Water Talk – Managing Our Groundwater" presented by the Texas Water Development Board at BEC Building on February 29th from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM.

OLD BUSINESS: (Discuss and Take Action)

Comprehensive Irrigation & Backflow Policy: John Montgomery gave the Board the updated "Resolution for Adoption of Rate Order" for approval. It includes rules for the right to inspect areas such as grease traps, swimming pools and hot tubs, irrigation systems, plumbing restrictions, etc. Also, the right to inspect all lines connecting to our water and sewer system and to hold residents accountable to any damage to District facilities. John went over the TCEQ Backflow Prevention Assembly Test and Maintenance Report that will be used for both commercial and residential properties for sprinkler systems and tested by a licensed plumber. It was suggested to contact the POA and see if they will add to their ACC rules that only verified licensed plumbers will be allowed to work in this community. The Irrigation & Backflow Policy is part of the new rate order. A motion was made by Rector, 2nd by Marsh to Accept the Resolution for Adoption of Rate Order. Unanimous

Approve Amended Budget (for Parking Lot [\$20k] and Community Valves [\$30k]): Steve went through the amendments made to the original Budget indicating which line items were increased and/or decreased to fund the parking lot completion and the upcoming community valve project. An additional \$30,884 was added to the Budget. **A motion** was made by Marsh, 2nd by Childers to accept the revised Budget. **Unanimous**

NEW BUSINESS (Discuss and Take Action)

None

Questions/Follow-up – Discussion Only

Well Level Handout – Will be limited to one page. Hydrants – Gary gave us a list for the hydrant bonnet colors and their meanings. Bonds for Contractors – The Board will not be requiring Bonds on all Contractors (the By-laws will be updated and voted on after completion) 2020 Election Totals – There were 253 voters at the 2020 Election. When required, all future voting will have to remain with the County. Generators (Balance, Interest Rate, Payoff Options) – There is a document covering these questions. Revenue for the Sewer Service – The only revenue generated for Sewer maintenance is derived from the Base Rate and commercial usage per connection. Clarification of City of Bandera Sewer Project Handout – Was reviewed earlier in the meeting.

Next Meeting: The next month's regular meeting date for the Flying L PUD is scheduled for Monday March 11, 2024 at 6:30 PM at the PUD Building

Adjourn: Having no further business, a motion was made by Dietrich, 2nd by Marsh to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 PM. Unanimous

Presented for review and approval, Leslie L. Rector, Secretary/Treasurer for the Flying L Public Utility District