

# **Eatonton-Putnam Water & Sewer Authority**

**January 18, 2017**

**4:30 p.m.**

## Present

Steve Hersey  
Walter Rocker  
Jud Doster  
Tommy Jefferson  
Tom Lawrence

## Invocation

Mr. Nix gave the invocation.

## Announcement of Sign-Ups for Public Comments & Agenda Items; Reading of Rules for Public Comments

Bill Sharp 103 Bulloch Hall Dr. Eatonton Ga  
Terrence Waller 200 Alice Walker Dr. Eatonton Ga

## Public Comments & Agenda Items

Bill Sharp addressed the board in reference to his interest in the at-large board member position.

Terrence Waller spoke to the board regarding the water leaks around the City limits and the fire hydrants.

## Approval of Agenda

Motion by Tommy Jefferson, seconded by Jud Doster to approve the agenda of the January 18, 2017 Board Meeting. All Approved.

## Approval of November 16, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Tommy Jefferson, seconded by Walter Rocker to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2016 Meeting. All Approved.

## Discussion of proposals regarding Revenue Bonds

Tom Lawrence spoke to the Board about the possibility of issuing Revenue Bonds. After some discussion a motion was made by Jud Doster, seconded by Walter Rocker to table this discussion until a later date when more information could be provided. All Approved.

## Consideration of Management Agreement for Putnam County Water Line

Motion by Jud Doster, seconded by Walter Rocker to have Director Van Haute send out a proposal to potential customers along the water line. All Approved.

Consideration of separate Residential & Commercial Water & Sewer Rates

Motion by Jud Doster, seconded by Tommy Jefferson to have Director Van Haute put together a base rate fee schedule based on the size of the meter for Non-Residential accounts. All Approved.

Consideration of Proposal to Eatonton City Council to eliminate the water rate differential

During discussion of this item, it was discovered that City Non-Residential customers should be paying the same base rate as County residential and commercial customers. It was the opinion of the board that no action was needed on this. After discussion of the agenda item to eliminate the City/County Water Rate Differential of \$6.00 a Motion was made by Steve Hersey, seconded by Jud Doster to table this item until the next board meeting. All Approved.

Consideration of Cost Estimate from Carter & Sloope regarding improvements to Water System in the City limits

Motion by Walter Rocker, seconded by Tommy Jefferson, to approve Carter & Sloope to do a cost study of repairing the water lines in the City limits of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000). All Approved.

Discussion and possible action of At-Large Board member appointment.

Motion by Jud Doster, seconded by Walter Rocker to appoint Bill Sharp as the At-Large Board member of the Eatonton Putnam Water & Sewer Authority. All Approved.

Staff Reports

Director Van Haute notified the board that beginning in February the EPWSA office will close at 4:30 p.m. on the day observed as the 15<sup>th</sup> so that the CSR'S can get their cash drawers closed out by 5:00 p.m.

Mrs. Van Haute suggested to the board that EPWSA look into the possibility of using an Insurance company that deals with Leak Adjustments so that EPWSA would not have to write off the amount of money lost doing leak adjustments for customers.

Mrs. Van Haute thanked Tommy Jefferson for his service on the board.

Board Member Reports

None at this time.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.