Pioneer Rural Water District

Minutes of the BOARD MEETING

March 3, 2015 @ 3 pm.....5500 West-Oak Highway, Westminster, SC

Board Members:

Present: Tommy Grant, Eddie Grant, Barry Stevenson, Jerry Barlow, and Mike Foster

Others Present: Terry Pruitt, Paula Oliver, Heather Bryant, Chuck Joye and Donald Phillips with Design South, Dick Mangum with WGOG, Anderson Independent, Mary McBain and Jason Holiday.

Quorum: Yes

Proceedings:

Meeting Called to Order at 3:00 pm by Chairman, Barry Stevenson

Concerns of the District: None

Approval of Minutes: Mike Foster made a motion to approve the Minutes from the January 6, 2015 meeting. Tommy Grant seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carries.

Financial Report/ System Report: Terry Pruitt provided an updated Profit and Loss statement to the Board for informational purposes.

Water Treatment Plant Update: Tommy Grant made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss a new engineering agreement required by USDA. Mike Foster seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carries.

Jerry Barlow made a motion to exit out of executive session. Mike Foster seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carries.

Jerry Barlow made a motion to approve and sign the RD service agreement with Design South. Eddie Grant seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carries.

Eddie Grant made a motion to accept the Amendment #1 for relocation of the proposed 2.5 MGD water treatment plant from a 25 acre site in Oconee County's Golden Corner Commerce Park on SC Highway 59 to an adjacent 60 acre site. Mike Foster seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carries.

Mr. Phillips with Design South provided an updated progress report on the water treatment plant to the Board.

Old Business: Terry Pruitt presented an informational graph to the Board illustrating the multiple scenarios for the 10% rate increase. The Board discussed the different options for the rate increase and how it will affect Pioneer's customers.

Jerry Barlow made a motion to increase base rate charge by \$1.30 and to increase the per 1000 gallon rate by .08 cents after the base rate of 3000 gallons. The Board agreed the rate increase will go into effect within 60 days. Mike Foster seconds the motion. Eddie Grant opposed the increase. Tommy Grant and Barry Stevenson in favor, motion carries with majority consent.

Eddie Grant made a motion to have the one acre lot adjacent to Pioneer Water owed by Mr. Holiday appraised for a future discussion of purchasing. Mike Foster seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carries.

New Business: The purchase agreement for Lot 11 in the amount of \$54,000.00 is in the process of being closed between Pioneer and Mr. Cochran to purchase.

Pioneer Rural Water District will be celebrating the 50 year anniversary with the community this year at the Annual Meeting in June. Paula Oliver made the suggestion of having a cookout for Pioneer Water costumers at 5pm with the Pioneer Rural Water Annual Board Meeting following at 6pm.

Eddie Grant made a motion to adjourn. Mike Foster seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carries.

Minutes approved by:

Barry Stevenson, Chairman

Jonny Grant
Tommy Grant, Secretary