

PIONEER RURAL WATER DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE NOMINATION MEETING

May 11, 2017 @ 3:00pm..... 5500 West-Oak Highway, Westminster, SC

Board members:

Present: Barry Stevenson, Eddie Grant, Mark Holbrooks, Tommy Grant, Jerry Barlow

Others: Terry Pruitt, Stan Oliver, Paula Oliver, Heather Bryant, Residents of Pioneer Water District, Dick Mangum with WGOG.

Quorum: Yes

Proceedings

Meeting called to Order by Chairman, Barry Stevenson directly after Nomination Meeting.

Concerns of district:

A customer from the Pioneer Water District Kevin Ramey addressed the Board with several concerns about the Water Treatment Plant that is currently under construction. Mr. Ramey stated that he had been following the Water Treatment Plant Project since January of 2017. Kevin Ramey questioned the Board about concerns regarding the feasibility while Pioneer is currently purchasing water from the City's of Westminster and Seneca. Mr. Ramey stated that the rate payers would be burdened if Pioneer continued to construct the Water Treatment Plant. Mr. Ramey also vocalized concern about the possibility of high rates customers would have to pay. Mr. Ramey discussed what has already been spent on the Water Treatment Facility. Mr. Ramey presented to the Board a copy of numbers prepared by Brad Hobbs concluding the Water Treatment Plant would cost an additional seventeen million dollars to construct and operate over a forty-year period. The document prepared by Brad Hobbs contradicts the feasibility study which had been provided to Pioneer by Design South Professionals determining the need for a Water Treatment Plant to be added to Pioneer's waterworks system.

Approval of Minutes:

Eddie Grant made a motion to accept the Board Meeting Minutes for April 6, 2017 as written. Tommy Grant seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Financial Report / System Report:

Terry Pruitt provided an updated Profit and Loss statement to the Board along with the LGIP accounts for informational purposes. No discussion followed.

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Water Treatment Plant Update:

Donald Phillips with Design South presented an up to date Progress Report to the Board. Followed with discussion.

2017-2018 Pro Forma Budget Discussion:

Jerry Barlow made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss 2017-2018 Pro Forma Budget. Eddie Grant second the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

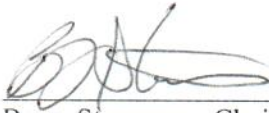
Eddie Grant made a motion to exit out of executive session. Mark Holbrooks second the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Terry Pruitt provided a copy of the Pro Forma budget to the Board followed with a discussion.

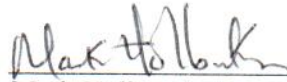
Old Business: None

New Business: Mark Holbrooks request the Board to consider scheduling all of Pioneer Board meetings on a rotating schedule. Rotating between the starting times of 3:00pm and 6:00pm.

Jerry Barlow made a motion to adjourn. Mark Holbrooks second the motion. All in favor, motion carried.



Barry Stevenson, Chairman



Mark Holbrooks, Secretary