**THE MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF THE POLK COUNTY WATER, SEWAGE, AND SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2024, IN THE BOARD ROOM OF THE AUTHORITY.**

**THOSE PRESENT WERE:**

Grady McCrickard, Chairman

Dr. Neeve Owen, Vice Chairman

Chuck Thaxton

Mike Lester

Mary Miller

James Gladden

**ALSO, PRESENT WERE:**

Vickey Atkins, Attorney

**AND:**

Ryan Prince, General Manager

Ashley Guthrie, Secretary

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 5:00pm.

**INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mr. Chuck Thaxton led the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Mr. Mike Lester to approve the agenda without executive session; seconded by Mr. James Gladden, the motion was approved unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Mike Lester to approve the Minutes from December, seconded by Mr. James Gladden, the motion was approved unanimously.

**PRESENTATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Mr. Ryan Prince gave a positive review of the end of year financial statements.

**APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

A motion was made by Mr. Chuck Thaxton to approve the financial statements; seconded by Ms. Mary Miller, the motion was approved unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS**

During the board meeting in January, the board voted that only ductile iron pipe will be used for future main line extensions, camera system update, and meter tap fee increase. Mr. Prince informed the board that these items have been taken care of. The policy has been updated in Section 8 of the policy book, the new camera system has been installed at all water plant facilities and spring sites, and the meter tap increase has been advertised and will go into effect on April 1, 2024. Mr. Prince stated that the VFD for Deaton Springs has been ordered and should arrive by the middle of March.

**NEW BUSINESS**

No new business to discuss.

**MANAGER’S UPDATE**

Mr. Prince updated the board on the Taylorsville Rd. water line. Mr. Prince stated that Engineer, Ronnie Wood would like to put this job out for bid by the end of March. Mr. Prince informed the board that he has been looking into Grants for the Authority and he is just waiting on a response.

**PERSONELL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Ms. Mary Miller inquired about the status of employee certifications. Mr. Prince explained that one employee is currently participating in a class and one employee that will be testing at the end of the week.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None

**FACILITIES COMMITTEE**

None

**BOARD OF DIRECTOR’S COMMENTS**

Being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Chuck Thaxton to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Mike Lester, the motion was approved unanimously.

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