

**St. Tammany Parish Sewerage District No.1
Board Meeting Minutes, Thursday, June 6, 2019**

Board Attendance:

**Pete Lee, Chairman..... PRESENT
Mike Franklin, Secretary.....PRESENT
Jay Kahn, Treasurer.....PRESENT
Lori Janosko.....PRESENT
David TalmagePRESENT**

Others in Attendance

**Jeff Beratoniere, Curtis Environmental (CES)
Mike Hattaway , GEC Project Engineer
Bill Baute, CCCE Resident
Sally Harasty, CCCE Resident
Quin Boylan, CCCE Resident**

Item 1 Board Minutes

Mike Franklin brought the previous board minutes, from the May 9, 2019, meeting, to this meeting. The meeting was called to order.

Item 2 Monthly Report from Curtis Environmental About Routine Issues

Jeff Beratoniere of CES discussed maintenance issues. He discussed a heavy rain event on May 10th. He also stated that Roto-Rooter had replaced a 10 foot section of main pipe at 201 Tchefuncte Drive. Jeff also stated that a breaker at Lift Station No. 2, tripped again. The board asked questions about it, debated whether Precision PSI, or an electrician should further investigate this issue. Jeff also discussed treatment plant issues. The board decided that a padlock should be added to the door, at the treatment plant to prevent further rummaging of documents, and possible theft.

Board Chairman Pete Lee asked whether the printer at the treatment plant had been replaced. Also, there was a discussion of 116 Country Club Drive. Jay stated that he had met with the resident, and had gotten a contractor to fill in the sinkhole, at that address.

Item 3 Commercial Rates

After some discussion of the calculated rate, the board voted 4-0 to raise the commercial sewer rate for the property located at 7020 West Hwy. 190 Service Road Suite A Covington, LA 70433, to \$510.00 a month, effective August 1, 2019.

Item 4 Monthly Financial Statements

The district's financials from March 2019 were available, for review.

Item 5 Audit Engagement Letter /Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire

Board Chairman Pete Lee stated that he received and completed the Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire as part of the district's annual audit, which recently commenced by LaPorte.

Item 6 System Rehabilitation Project

GEC Project Engineer Mike Hattaway updated the board as to the status of the rehabilitation project. He stated that survey work for the proposed lift station site on the golf course property near Golfers and Tchefonct Drive has been completed. Jay Kahn stated that the golf course owner, Richard Blossman is willing to donate an easement for the proposed lift station site. Jay stated he is working with an appraiser to determine the fair market value, of the donated easement. Jay also stated that he will consult with a title attorney to make sure that the district receives the easement donation in perpetuity. Mike Hattaway stated that GEC proposal for the rehabilitation project would be submitted to DEQ, before July 11, and that DEQ review and approval could take an undetermined number of weeks. He also stated that ads for bidding would have to be posted in the newspaper three to four weeks, before the actual bidding takes place. He also discussed the proposed route for the force main that would exit the proposed lift station. He also discussed which sections would be constructed using boring and trenching methods. He also stated that the boring of the force main would take about 3-4 days. Hattaway also stated that Cleco was still reviewing options for bringing power to the proposed lift station, and that cost might be lower than anticipated. Hattaway estimated the overall lift station / rehabilitation project may take up to 75 work days (8-9 months) total.

Item 7 Public Comments

The meeting was open to the public, and posted as such, at the meeting location. David Talmage attended his first meeting as a board member. CCCE residents Bill Baute, Sally Harasty, and Quin Boylan all asked about the lift station project, including questions about its location, construction methods and locations, and proposed timeline.

Item 8 Next Board Meeting Date

Before the adjournment of the June meeting it was decided, the next board meeting for St. Tammany Sewerage District No.1 will be held Thursday July 11, 2019 at 625 N Causeway Blvd Suite C, Mandeville, LA, beginning at 6 PM.

Mike Franklin, Board Secretary
St. Tammany Parish, Sewerage District No.1
June 6, 2019