

**Benbrook Water Authority
Board of Directors Regular Meeting
1121 Mercedes Street
Benbrook, TX 76126
June 20, 2023
3:00 p.m.**

The Board of Directors for the Benbrook Water Authority met in a regular meeting on June 20, 2023 with the following Directors present:

President Karen Henderson
Secretary Rick Whitehurst
Director David Hafer
Director David Clark

Absent:

Vice-President Nick Dons

Also Present:

David Smith, General Manager
Sheila Rushing, Recording Secretary
Brad Hill, Capital Improvements Project Manager
Crystal Ramsey, Administration Division Manager

President Henderson called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and Secretary Whitehurst gave the invocation.

Citizen Comments on Agenda Items

There were no comments.

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes of the May 16, 2023 Board of Directors Meeting
2. Financial Summary for May 2023

Motion was made by Secretary Whitehurst, seconded by Director Clark to accept the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion passed (4-0)

General Manager's Report and Updates

Mr. Smith gave a brief update on the following:

1. HB3007
2. July Meeting Schedule
3. Cross Connection Control
4. City of Benbrook Water and Wastewater Rates
5. Customer Billing Volume Adjustments

6. Vernon Castle Standpipe
7. Capital Improvements
8. Development Under Contract

Mr. Smith advised the Board that HB3007, which eliminates the requirement for BWA to obtain TCEQ approval to fund capital projects with bonds was passed by TX Legislature, signed by Governor Abbott, and is now in effect. He stated that he plans to draft letters expressing BWA's gratitude to our representatives that authored and sponsored the bill and asked the Board if they would like to cosign the letters once completed.

The Board in its entirety expressed interest in signing the letters.

There was some discussion regarding the property where the Vernon Castle Standpipe is located, and the Board directed staff to find out how much BWA paid for the property.

Public Comment

There were no public comments.

Director / Staff Comment

Secretary Whitehurst stated he would like to commend staff for their hard work and efforts during extreme heat conditions.

Director Hafer asked if there were any ACE Conference updates?

Mr. Smith stated that the travel from the hotel to the conference was less than ideal, but overall, the venue was good, and it is a good place to get introduced to new technology and services that might be a benefit to BWA later down the road. He stated that the hot topic this year for the technical sessions had to do with PFAS (new chemicals) and he found them to be very interesting.

President Henderson stated she felt AWWA may have underestimated how many people were attending. She said they ran out of food and many of the sessions didn't have enough seating room. She said that after attending the Public Officials Luncheon and listening to others talk, she felt good about BWA's performance and said we were doing a good job.

President Henderson stated there is no need for Executive Session, therefore it was canceled.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Board President

Date

Recording Secretary