

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
PEARL RIVER VALLEY WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT HELD ON
THURSDAY MAY 16, 2024 AT 9:30 A.M. AT THE
TIMBERLAKE CAMPGROUND, BRANDON, MISSISSIPPI**

A regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District was held at 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, May 16, 2024 at the Timberlake Campground, Brandon, Mississippi.

Members Present: Billy Cook, Phillip Crosby, Lonnie Johnson, Randy McIntosh, John Pittman, Don Thompson, Kenny Windham, Jack Winstead

Members Present by Teleconference: Tedrick Ratcliff, Kenny Latham

Members Absent: David Williams, Bruce Brackin, Jason Spellings

Others Present: John Sigman, Philip Huskey, Jill McMurtrey, Mark Beyea, Adam Choate, Tammie Ballard, Karan Brister, Craig Hunt, Kelsey Powell, Trevell Dixon, Jason Temple, Nichole Goss, Marcial Forester, Rick Hollis, Carlos Dipuma, Linda Horton, Marty Pope, Stacy Maxey, Lisa Maxey, Dr. Brenda Sumrall Smith, Pat Kyle, Kevin Logan, Todd Chapman, Jim Davis, Ginger Randall, Allison Young, William Tadlock, Rhonda Norris, Peggy Lomax, Sarah Jones, Allen Randall, Keith Griffin, Uriel Pinedr

President Kenny Windham called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

President Windham asked for review of the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of April 18, 2024.

Upon review of the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors held April 18, 2024, a motion was made by Mr. Jack Winstead for the minutes to be approved. Mr. Don Thompson seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows: For: Cook, Crosby, Johnson, Latham, McIntosh, Pittman, Ratcliff, Thompson, Windham and Winstead. Abstained: None. Against: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

President Windham then recognized the visitors at the meeting that wish to address the board regarding the parcel located at the corner of North Shore Parkway and Fannin Landing Circle rumored to have a gas station in development.

Stacy Maxey requested that the space not be developed and instead be used for greenspace and trails.

A visitor named Matt is concerned about what might be built if not a gas station and also understands that leasing is a need of income for PRV.

Sara Jones is in agreement with others comments and does not want a gas station in that location.

A visitor named Amy asked about dredging.

A visitor named Norris commented as a real estate agent that a commercial development on this corner will bring additional traffic and would be an embarrassment for her to bring clients to the area.

William Tadlock from North Shore is concerned about additional traffic as others have commented, however, his reason for being here is to inquire about the dead pine trees along Ballast Way. He has contacted Mr. Hollis and at this time has not gotten a response back yet.

Allison, from Northshore Village, wants the land rezoned.

Ginger Randall, real estate agent, mentioned the area at Fox Bay and 471 behind the Vineyards where a gas station was once proposed and the residents fought against this and won.

Jim Davis is in agreement with others.

Todd Chapman would like to see the parcel rezoned and a park or walking trail added.

Dr. Brenda Schmidt commented that the area needs substantial change.

Kevin Logan, President of Windward Oaks HOA, is in agreement with what others have said and does not want this to be a commercial development.

Jeff Perkins, from Bridgepoint, is in agreement with others, please consider rezoning.

Mr. John Sigman spoke at this time, PRV does not have zoning but does have a land use plan that can be found on PRV's website. There is not a gas station going in at this location, at this time there is no activity on this site. The General Commercial classification excludes gas stations. PRV does not have any current proposals for this parcel of land. The sign that went up as For Sale is incorrect and will be corrected by the realtor to For Lease.

As shown on the Comprehensive Master Plan on the PRV website this parcel is classified for General Commercial which states Enclosed Commercial Activities Only. These areas should include businesses in which the principal activity is conducted indoors. However, certain land uses that involve limited outdoor activities could be permitted in these areas. This land use classification would include restaurants and retail shopping centers, as well as independent commercial uses.

The board thanked the visitors for bringing their concerns forward.

President Windham called for the next agenda item.

Mr. Jamie Wier from Wier Boerner Allin Architecture gave a brief presentation on the progress of the new main office building. Mr. Wier stated that the contract documents should be completed this month, presented interior design options, and also commented that the board room should hold 60 people comfortably.

President Windham asked for the Finance Committee agenda items.

Mr. Billy Cook requested ratification of and approval of depository bank advertisements for banking services. The contract will be awarded for five years with option for two additional two-year periods. The Request for Proposals will be received until 11:00 am on June 7, 2024. Due to previous time restraints, PRV staff began advertisement prior to the board meeting and requested the board ratify their action and approve advertisement moving forward.

Mr. Billy Cook made a motion to ratify actions of PRV staff and approve the depository bank advertisement, per staff recommendation. Mr. Don Thompson seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows: For: Cook, Crosby, Johnson, Latham, McIntosh, Pittman, Ratcliff, Thompson, Windham and Winstead. Against: None. Abstain: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

President Windham asked for the Executive Committee agenda items.

Mr. Kenny Windham requested approval to appoint Adam Choate as the District's representative to the West Rankin Utility Authority and to the Madison County Wastewater Authority. Mr. Kenny Windham also requested approval to appoint Tammie Ballard as the District's alternate to Madison County Wastewater Authority.

Mr. Don Thompson made a motion to appoint Adam Choate to West Rankin Utility Authority and to Madison County Wastewater Authority; and to appoint Tammie Ballard as the alternate to the Madison County Wastewater Authority, as presented. Mr. Billy Cook seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows: For: Cook, Crosby, Johnson, Latham, McIntosh, Pittman, Ratcliff, Thompson, Windham and Winstead. Against: None. Abstain: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

President Windham asked for the Parks Policy Committee agenda items.

Mr. Kenny Latham requested approval of emergency declaration and award of contract to GC Logistics to provide lawn services at Timberlake Campground, Goshen Springs Campground, Goshen Springs North and Goshen Springs South. The current provider of lawn services walked away from the contract and the District must procure lawn services for these areas immediately.

Mr. Kenny Latham made a motion to approve of emergency declaration and award of contract to GC Logistics to provide lawn services at Timberlake Campground, Goshen Springs Campground, Goshen Springs North and Goshen Springs South, per staff recommendation. Mr. Don Thompson seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows: For: Cook, Crosby, Johnson, Latham, McIntosh, Pittman, Ratcliff, Thompson, Windham and Winstead. Against: None. Abstain: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

President Windham asked for the Shoreline Development Committee agenda items.

Mr. Randy McIntosh requested approval of JSU Cooperative Research Site Request.

JSU is requesting access to an area of the downstream slope of the earth dam at the Ross R. Barnett reservoir along the Spillway Road, recorded seepage issues, for monitoring using advanced nondestructive testing (NDT) techniques. An area with recorded seepage issues would be preferable, where subsurface water variation can be continually monitored.

JSU is also requesting access to the slope at the Cold Bluff campground in the Pearl Valley district to plant vetiver grass to increase slope stability, address seepage issues, and prevent erosion in earth slopes. The slope above the gabion retaining wall next to the Pearl River, which is affected by erosion, would be well suited for this project. Particularly because vetiver grass, with its deep-rooted grass, is known to prevent erosion and eliminate perched water within fine-grained soil. Throughout the project, careful consideration would be given to minimizing disruptions to ongoing operations and traffic flow.

The committee members have concerns with using the vetiver grass until more research is completed.

Mr. Mark Beyea commented that the vetiver grass is currently being used by MDOT in a test area on Hwy 49 that is doing well.

Mr. Randy McIntosh made a motion for approval of JSU Cooperative Research Site Request, as recommended by staff. Mr. Billy Cook seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows: For: Cook, Crosby, Johnson, McIntosh, Pittman, Thompson, Windham and Winstead. Against: Latham. Abstain: Ratcliff. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

President Windham called for the next agenda item.

Mr. Randy McIntosh requested approval of Preliminary Engineering Proposal for Bob Anthony Parkway Relocation Project - FBLD-6945-00(013)LPA/108635-81100.

Mr. Randy McIntosh made a motion to approve Preliminary Engineering Proposal for Bob Anthony Parkway Relocation Project - FBLD-6945-00(013)LPA/108635-81100, as recommended by staff. Mr. Billy Cook seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows: For: Cook, Crosby, Johnson, Latham, McIntosh, Pittman, Ratcliff, Thompson, Windham and Winstead. Against: None. Abstain: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

President Windham called for the next agenda item.

Mr. Randy McIntosh asked for approval of Central Power EPA Easement and Power Contract - New Waterwood Well.

Mr. Randy McIntosh made a motion to approve Central Power EPA Easement and Power Contract - New Waterwood Well, as recommended by staff. Mr. Don Thompson seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows: For: Cook, Crosby, Johnson, Latham, McIntosh, Pittman, Ratcliff, Thompson, Windham and Winstead. Against: None. Abstain: Crosby. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

President Windham called for the next agenda item.

Mr. Randy McIntosh requested approval of Change Order No 1 - 2023-2024 Main Dam Slope Mowing Contract.

Mr. Randy McIntosh made a motion for approval of Change Order No 1 - 2023-2024 Main Dam Slope Mowing Contract. Mr. Phillip Crosby seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows: For: Cook, Crosby, Johnson, Latham, McIntosh, Pittman, Ratcliff, Thompson, Windham and Winstead. Against: None. Abstain: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

President Windham asked for the Legislative Committee agenda items.

Mr. Adam Choate gave a brief summary of the 2024 Legislative Session.

- PRV Appropriations Bill
- Five Year Spending Authority – 38% increase since 2019
- Legislative Accomplishments
 - Received \$1.75 million for dredging
 - Received \$ 2 million for new office building
 - Re-appropriation of the Waterwood well money from last year not yet spent
 - Bills will become law once signed on July 1
 - Funds expected to be received in September
- Monies Awarded to PRV – 2019 to Present
- Senate Bill 2468 (local projects bill)
- Other bills that affected PRV
- FY26 Budget
- Begin discussion of 2025 Legislative priorities

President Windham called for the next agenda item.

Finance Chairman Billy Cook reviewed the Per Diem and Travel Report.

Mr. Billy Cook made a motion to approve the Per Diem and Travel Report for April 2024. Mr. Don Thompson seconded the motion.

President Windham asked for any additional questions or comments. None were offered.

The vote was as follows: For: Cook, Crosby, Johnson, Latham, McIntosh, Pittman, Ratcliff, Thompson, Windham and Winstead. Abstained: None. Against: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chairman Billy Cook reviewed the Cash Balance Report.

Mr. Billy Cook made a motion to approve the Cash Balance Report, as presented. Mr. Randy McIntosh seconded the motion.

President Windham asked for any additional questions or comments. None were offered.

The vote was as follows: For: Cook, Crosby, Johnson, Latham, McIntosh, Pittman, Ratcliff, Thompson, Windham and Winstead. Abstained: None. Against: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chairman Cook reviewed the Claims Docket for May 2024.

President Windham asked for any additional questions or comments. None were offered.

Mr. Billy Cook made a motion to approve the Claims Docket for May 2024, as presented. Mr. John Pittman seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows: For: Cook, Crosby, Johnson, Latham, McIntosh, Pittman, Ratcliff, Thompson, Windham and Winstead. Abstained: None. Against: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

President Windham then asked for the next agenda item.

Chief Dixon reviewed the police report for April 2024.

Mr. John Sigman then gave his report as Executive Director.

Mr. Sigman gave the lake level at 297.35.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Windham asked for a motion to enter Closed Session to discuss grounds for executive session.

Mr. Billy Cook made a motion to enter Closed Session. Mr. Don Thompson seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows: For: Cook, Crosby, Johnson, Latham, McIntosh, Pittman, Ratcliff, Thompson, Windham and Winstead. Against: None. Abstain: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Kenny Windham made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss current and prospective litigation and prospective leasing of state lands. Mr. Billy Cook seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows: For: Cook, Crosby, Johnson, Latham, McIntosh, Pittman, Ratcliff, Thompson, Windham and Winstead. Against: None. Abstain: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

NO ACTION TAKEN DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Tedrick Ratcliff left the meeting at this time.

Mr. Don Thompson left the meeting at this time.

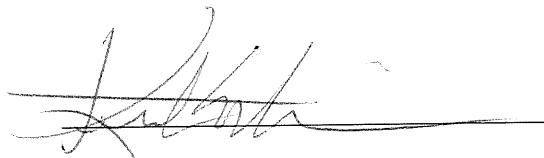
Mr. Billy Cook made a motion to exit Executive Session. Mr. Jack Winstead seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows: For: Cook, Crosby, Johnson, Latham, McIntosh, Pittman, Windham and Winstead. Abstained: None. Against: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Billy Cook made a motion to adjourn the meeting: Mr. Jack Winstead seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows: Cook, Crosby, Johnson, Latham, McIntosh, Pittman, Windham and Winstead. Abstained: None. Against: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.


Kenneth E. Windham, President