

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
PEARL RIVER VALLEY WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT HELD ON  
THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 21, 2023 AT 9:30 A.M. AT THE  
LEAKE CO. WATER PARK, LENA, 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, September 21, 2023 at the Leake Co. Water Park, Lena, Mississippi.

Members Present: Bruce Brackin, Billy Cook, Phillip Crosby, Lonnie Johnson, Kenny Latham, Randy McIntosh, John Pittman, Tedrick Ratcliff, Don Thompson, Kenny Windham,

Members Present by Teleconference: Jason Spellings

Members Absent: David Williams, Jack Winstead

Others Present: John Sigman, Philip Huskey, Jill McMurtrey, Mark Beyea, Adam Choate, Tammie Ballard, Karan Brister, Carlos Dipuma, Craig Hunt, Kelsey Powell, Trevell Dixon, Kelley Sweat, Cathy Hobbs

President Billy Cook called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

President Cook asked for review of the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of August 17, 2023.

Upon review of the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors held August 17, 2023, a motion was made by Mr. Lonnie Johnson for the minutes to be approved. Mr. Kenny Latham seconded the motion.

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

President Cook asked for the next agenda item.

Commissioning of officer candidate Amy Divine

Chief Trevell Dixon introduced Amy Divine to the board as an officer candidate for the Reservoir Police Department.

Mr. Philip Huskey presented Amy Divine as an Officer of the Reservoir Police. Based on information presented, the Board made a finding that Ms. Divine has completed the educational training requirements of a course of study prescribed and conducted by the Mississippi Law Enforcement Officers' Training Academy, is of good moral character and has not been convicted of any crime involving moral turpitude, and that she is qualified to be commissioned as a Police Officer of the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District pursuant to "Pearl River Valley Water Supply District Security Act of 1978" upon taking the Oath of Office. Upon recommendation of the Police Chief and General Manager, a motion was made by Mr. Kenny Latham, seconded by Mr. Lonnie Johnson that Ms. Divine be so commissioned as an Officer of the District and that her commission with the Oath endorsed upon it shall be entered in "Exhibit to Minutes" file, thereby becoming a part of these minutes. The vote was as follows: For: Brackin, Cook, Crosby, Johnson, Latham, McIntosh, Pittman, Ratcliff, Spellings, Thompson, and Windham. Abstained: None. Against: None. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

President Cook asked for the next agenda item.

Mr. Kenny Windham requested approval to apply for the Justice Assistance Grant. Chief Dixon commented that this grant would be used to upgrade video in the officers' vehicles.

Mr. Don Thompson made a motion to approve to apply for the Justice Assistance Grant, as presented. Mr. Phillip Crosby seconded the motion.

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

President Cook asked for the Shoreline Development Committee agenda items.

Mr. Kenny Windham requested approval of Sole Source Purchase Request for water metering equipment. The current meters are not registering flow and need to be replaced. This purchase is not to exceed \$55,000.00. The Badger meters used by the District are only available from Central Pipe and the District has received certification from Central Pipe that they are the sole Badger dealer locally.

Mr. Kenny Windham made a motion to approve Sole Source Purchase Request for water metering equipment, as presented. Mr. Kenny Latham seconded the motion.

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

President Cook called for the next agenda item.

Mr. Kenny Windham requested approval of Contract for 2023 Annual Dam Inspection by Burns Cooley Dennis, Inc. for an estimated sum of \$34,000.00.

Mr. Kenny Windham made a motion to approve the contract for 2023 Annual Dam Inspection to Burns Cooley Dennis, Inc., as presented, Mr. Tedrick Ratcliff seconded the motion.

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

President Cook called for the next agenda item.

Mr. Kenny Windham asked for approval of Engineering Contract for Planning and Design of Improvements to Rankin Landing Boat Ramps with Volkert, Inc for an estimated fee of \$175,000.00.

Mr. Kenny Windham made a motion for approval of Engineering Contract for Planning and Design of Improvements to Rankin Landing Boat Ramps, as presented. Mr. Kenny Latham seconded the motion.

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

President Cook called for the next agenda item.

Mr. Kenny Windham requested approval of new Water/Sewer Rate Schedule. The increase is for one year at 3% beginning December 2023.

Mr. Kenny Windham made a motion to approve of new Water/Sewer Rate Schedule, as presented. Mr. Don Thompson seconded the motion.

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

President Cook called for the next agenda item.

President Cook asked for the Forestry and Wildlife Committee agenda items.

Mr. Phillip Crosby requested approval to accept Timber Sale Bid #24-700-46-04 in the 3 Prong Road Area.

Mr. Phillip Crosby made a motion to approve Timber Sale Bid #24-700-46-04 in the 3 Prong Road Area, as presented. Mr. Don Thompson seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Phillip Crosby requested approval to accept Timber Sale Bid #24-700-47-04 - Hwy 43 at Hwy 471 Area.

Mr. Tedrick Ratcliff requested that any reference to PRV's previous agreement to pause timber harvesting during deer season be removed.

Mr. Phillip Crosby made a motion to approve Timber Sale Bid #24-700-47-04 - Hwy 43 at Hwy 471 Area and that any reference to PRV's previous agreement to pause timber harvesting during deer season be removed, as recommended by staff. Mr. Lonnie Johnson seconded the motion.

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

President Cook asked for the Building Committee agenda items.

Mr. Bruce Brackin requested review of Request for Qualifications submitted for the new main office building.

Ms. Tammie Ballard commented that seven responses were received and scores were based upon experience and education and the top three scores received were CDFL Architects + Engineers, JH&H Architects, and Wier Boerner Allin Architecture.

Mr. Bruce Brackin made a motion to approve the top three scoring architectural firms and to authorize PRV staff to receive presentations from each firm. PRV staff will then make a recommendation of award to the Board at the October meeting. Mr. Jason Spellings seconded the motion.

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

President Cook asked for the Parks Policy Committee agenda items.

Mr. Kenny Latham requested approval of Engineering Contract for electrical improvements to resolve low voltage problems in Timberlake Campground.

Mr. Kenny Latham made a motion for approval of Engineering Contract - Electrical Improvements to Resolve Low Voltage Problems in Timberlake Campground, as presented. Mr. Lonnie Johnson seconded the motion.

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

President Cook called for the next agenda item.

Mr. Kenny Latham requested approval of Slope Erosion Repairs at Coal Bluff.

Mr. Kenny Latham made a motion for approval of Slope Erosion Repairs at Coal Bluff, as presented. Mr. Phillip Crosby seconded the motion.

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

President Cook called for the next agenda item.

Mr. Philip Huskey requested approval of Regulation Change for Part 203, Chapter 5: Firearms and Hunting.

Mr. Philip Huskey requested approval of Regulation Change for Part 204, Chapter 2: Commercial Trucks.

Mr. Kenny Latham made a motion to approve the Regulation Change for Part 203, Chapter 5: Firearms and Hunting and Regulation Change for Part 204, Chapter 2: Commercial Trucks, as presented. Mr. Randy McIntosh seconded the motion.

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

Finance Chairman Kenny Windham reviewed the Per Diem and Travel Report.

Mr. Kenny Windham made a motion to approve the Per Diem and Travel Report for August 2023. Mr. Don Thompson seconded the motion.

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

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

Chairman Windham reviewed the Cash Balance Report.

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

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

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

Chairman Windham reviewed the Claims Docket for September 2023.

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

Mr. Kenny Windham made a motion to approve the Claims Docket for September 2023, as presented. Mr. Lonnie Johnson seconded the motion.

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

President Cook asked for the item from the Nominating Committee.

Tedrick Ratcliff stated that he, Jack Winstead and Phillip Crosby had met and have nominated the following slate of officers for 2023-2024:

President:	Kenny Windham
Vice-President:	Randy McIntosh
Secretary:	Phillip Crosby
Treasurer:	Adam Choate
Assistant Board Secretary:	Jill McMurtrey

Mr. Philip Huskey asked if there were any nominations from the floor. None were offered.

Mr. Philip Huskey asked for a motion to close the floor to nominations.

Mr. Tedrick Ratcliff made a motion to close the floor to nominations. Mr. Bruce Brackin seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Philip Huskey asked for a motion to adopt the proposed slate of board officers for 2024.

Mr. Tedrick Ratcliff made a motion to adopt the proposed slate of board officers for 2024. Mr. Bruce Brackin seconded the motion.

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

President Cook then asked for the next agenda item.

Chief Dixon reviewed the police report for August 2023

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

Mr. Sigman gave the lake level at 296.94.

President Cook then asked for the next agenda item.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Mr. Phillip Crosby made a motion to enter Closed Session. Mr. Don Thompson seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Randy McIntosh made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss current and prospective litigation and leasing of state lands. Mr. Bruce Brackin seconded the motion.

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

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Mr. Tedrick Ratcliff made a motion to exit Executive Session. Mr. Don Thompson seconded the motion.

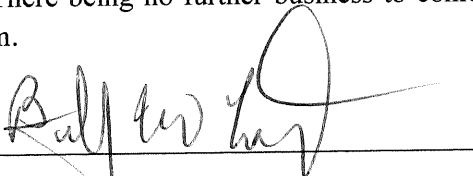
The vote was as follows: For: Brackin, Cook, Crosby, Johnson, Latham, McIntosh, Pittman, Ratcliff, Spellings, Thompson, and Windham. Abstained: None. Against: None. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

President Cook asked for a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Kenny Latham made a motion to adjourn the meeting: Mr. Phillip Crosby seconded the motion.

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

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:58 a.m.




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Billy Cook, President