

**MEANSVILLE RILEY ROAD WATER COMPANY, INC.  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES FOR JULY 30, 2024  
HELD IN CONFERENCE ROOM AT MRWC 7:00 P.M.**

**PRESENT**

Paula Brewster  
Cindy Burnett  
John Burnett  
Mark Carroll  
Angie Hauser  
Otis Hembree  
Hermine Keith  
Don Tucker

**TELECONFERENCE**

Robynne Burress

**ALSO PRESENT**

John Kingsmore  
Paula Wright

**Meeting Called to Order:** Otis called the meeting to order.

**Invocation:** Don opened the meeting with prayer.

**Approve Minutes:** Mark made a motion to accept the minutes as written, Cindy seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

**Correspondence:** We received a Principal check on June 27<sup>th</sup> for \$100.82. MRWC has 142 shares at \$78.00 and the market value is \$11,078.13 as of July 1<sup>st</sup>.

The company received a thank you from Union County Soil & Water Conservation for the gift of \$250.00.

Hermine made a motion to donate \$250.00 to the Union County Farm Show to be held Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, Paula Brewster seconded the motion, and the motion passed with John Burnett opposing.

Mark made a motion to donate \$300.00 to the Union County High School Booster Club. Don seconded the motion, and the motion passed with John Burnett opposing. The company will receive two season passes to all regular season home sporting events at UCHS, JEMS, SMS, and one parking pass. MRWC will have an ad in the program book and be recognized at the first home game as a corporate sponsor.

The SC Drought Response Committee reported the upstate counties, Oconee to Cherokee received an incipient upgrade.

**Company Trucks:** Tabled

**Water Rate Study & Capacity Fee Study:** John Kingsmore found out that MRWC has a contract with Willdan Financial Services that was signed September 3, 2021, to complete a water rate and capacity fee study costing between \$200.00 to \$100.00 an hour. The contract can be cancelled in writing by either party prior to thirty days. Angie made a motion to pursue Chad Byars with SCRWA to help with this consumer analysis. Hermine seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously. John Kingsmore will report back to the Board at the next meeting.

**SCIIP Grant & State Revolving Fund (SRF):** John Kingsmore reported that the SCIIP Grant is willing to replace the alternate Meadow Woods Project. The SRF will be funded for the five-mile

water line project. The SCIIP will allow MRWC to use the remaining money on anything touching the original Highway 49 East project as an alternate. John Kingsmore and Rich Anderson with Summitt Engineering discussed running a six-inch water line through the Riley Road, a six-inch water line from the Bombing Range Road to Old Buncombe Road, and a three-inch water line through Lower Fairforest Church Road to tie into Neighbors Road. Rich will prepare the drawings for the alternate water lines. John Kingsmore would like to move the water box across the road where the city water lines are located, and the new lines will be installed. He will receive notification in writing from Joe Nichols with the City of Union as well as the SCDOT.

**SCRWA Voting Delegate & Alternate Delegate:** Hermine will represent MRWC as the voting delegate and Cindy or Angie will be the alternate at the SCRWA Annual Conference to be held November 18<sup>th</sup> through November 20<sup>th</sup> in Myrtle Beach.

**Policies:** Angie, Cindy, Mark, Paula Brewster, Robynne and Otis will serve on the Policy Committee to dispose of surplus equipment, electronic meetings, training, and license for the employees.

**Bids for new HVAC unit:** John Kingsmore is in the process of getting bids for a new unit. Three pounds of freon was added and John Kingsmore fixed a hole in the closet ceiling where the wiring was installed, and it has improved but the unit is 21 years old, and he has been told that the unit needs replacing.

**Prayer:** Cindy had the closing prayer.

**Adjourned:** The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Paula C. Wright  
Board Sectary