**FLYING L PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT**

**REGULAR MEETING – AUGUST 12, 2019**

**M I N U T E S**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The August 12, 2019 regular meeting, of the Flying L Public Utility District; is called to order by President Patrick Raab at 6:30 PM. Additional Board Members in attendance are Austin Christensen, Don Bateman, and June Baker. Guy Wolf is absent. Also, in attendance are Recording Secretary Leslie Rector, Field & Office Administrator Janet Williams, and Water and Wastewater Operator Jerry Hefley.

**A quorum was established.**

**Guest(s) in Attendance:** Bob Williams and Steve Childers.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** After a review of the July Regular Meeting minutes, **a** **motion** was made by Christensen, 2nd by Bateman to approve the minutes as is from the July meeting. **Unanimous**

**REVIEW AND PAY BILLS:** After reviewing the monthly financial report, dated August 12, 2019 **a motion** was made by Bateman, 2nd by Baker to accept the report and pay the bills totaling $32,392.31 with a transfer of $26,100 from M&O #266 to Bandera Bank #816 and a second transfer of $6,215 from M&O #266 to Bandera Bank #816. **Unanimous**

**Bandera Bank & Hondo Bank: $427,894.44**

**Savings & CDs at Randolph Brooks FCU: $215,269.04**

**FUND BALANCE: $643,163.48**

**REPORT OF MONTHLY WORK PROJECTS AND OPERATION:** Janet reports that about 5 years ago, Trip duPerier filed a law suit naming the River Authority as defendant, to gain approval to pump up to 2,096 acre feet of water from the Flying L Ranch Resort’s water wells annually. He was claiming the land in the entire subdivision of 540 acres, not just the Ranch Resort’s property. To show a comparison, the City of Bandera used 250 acre feet and the Flying L PUD used 73 acre feet. On July 2, 2019, Trip’s attorney; filed a request for dismissal of the case. On July 11, 2019 Judge Emerson granted the dismissal without prejudice. The BCRAGD fought this suit since 2010 and spent thousands to safe guard our water supply. We owe them a huge debt of gratitude for their diligence in this matter.

Well #2’s recent well level was measured at 346’, and drop of 103 feet. Jerry said Well #1’s level was 187’, but he will verify that again to make sure it is accurate.

Jerry reports that at Lift Station 1, two pumps were lost. They dropped a “leg” causing them to break down. There is a device that will help prevent that going forward. The devise was ordered at a cost of about $200. Two new motors were installed, there was no spill. At the Wastewater Plant, he has been power washing it, cleaning it up and getting ready to finish the tin on the roof over the blowers. Everything should be completed this week. The blower, that was under warranty; was delivered and 90% installed. It will be back in service once Jerry cleans up the shaft and installs the pulley and belts.

Still having problems with one of the soft starts that Kerr Country Pump installed. It’s a programing issue. The pump is running but not equal to the other pump. An adjustment needs to be made. It was leaking a little and he tightened up the packing and it sealed right up. Jerry said there has been a lot of air in the lines. He’s looking at hydrants that may be a cause of the air in the lines.

There is a 3” valve at the Club House by the practice green with no handle. This supplies water to the Villas. The black hydrant on Flying L Drive is dripping. Jerry will try again to get it shut off.

**OLD BUSINESS (Discuss and Consider)**

**Drought Restrictions:** Janet reported that the US Drought Monitor is at Abnormally Dry. June mentioned that Canyon Lake area went into drought restrictions. After some discussion the Board decided that no Change was needed this month. **Tabled**

**Encroachment on Utility Easement in Section 15, Lot 41:** Janet said she received the signed contract and the more detailed survey showing the encroachment is about 5 feet. The Board will mail out the invoice for the cost of creating the contract for reimbursement to PUD. Once the fee is received, PUD will install the tap for sewer service. The total cost to PUD for this encroachment was about $4,100 of which the homeowners were responsible for approximately $2,900.

**NEW BUSINESS** **(Consider for Action and Review)**

**New Water Main and Line on Tawny Oak:** Janet stated that she was contacted by Billy Gray to see if we still needed a bid on the Tawny Oak Project. He then submitted a bid for the job. An employee of Billy Gray came out and ran the wheel for a more accurate measurement. They got a reading of 840 feet. Once the bid was received, Janet confirmed it was for labor and supplies, then asked him if he would be immediately available, as the new home in that circle has formally requested water service. He said he was. **A motion** was made by Bateman, 2nd by Christensen to accept Billy Gray Construction’s bid for the water line on Tawny Oak Section 11 for $8,900. **Unanimous**

**Resignation of PUD Board Member:** Guy Wolf sent a letter to the PUD stating his resignation from the Board. **A motion** was made by Bateman, 2nd by Christensen to accept the resignation of Guy Wolf, effective immediately. **Unanimous**

**Proposed 2019 Tax Rate:** Janet feels that the PUD will need to employ a part-time maintenance person. With the ever-increasing number of homes in the community, the workload for Jerry is too much. Jerry is our operator and any new worker would handle maintenance such as installation of meters and location of valves, for example. The current tax rate is 0.386642, which will generate approximately $158,244 based on the 2019 net taxable certified total of $43,082,121. Over the next few years, rollback rates will affect the PUD’s income. After discussion, **a motion** was made by Christensen, 2nd by Bateman to post the proposed tax rate in the paper at 0.40% **Unanimous**

**RBFCU CD Matured:** A CD matured on 8/6/19. The Board will need to decide what to do with those funds. After reviewing the current rates at Randolph Brooks Federal Credit Union, **a motion** was made by Bateman, 2nd by Christensen to renew the CD for 2 years. **Unanimous**

**Annual Review of Employees: (Executive Session)** Entered ES at 7:20 PMThe meeting was reconvened at approximately 7:25 PMand **a motion** was made by June, 2nd by Bateman to increase both employee’s salary by 2%. **Unanimous**

**Next Meeting:** The next month’s regular meeting date for the Flying LPUD is scheduled for Monday, September 9, 2019 at 6:30 PM.

**Adjourn:** Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM

Presented for review and approval,

Leslie L. Rector, Recording Secretary

for the Flying L Public Utility District