

FORT GRIFFIN SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT

1180 C.R. 109
Albany, TX 76430

FORT GRIFFIN SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT Board of Directors met Thursday, November 14, 2019, at the Prairie Star Cook Shack, 100 Ellison St., Albany, TX.

Board President Burrell McKelvain called the meeting to order at 12:47 pm. Other Board members present included Sam Snyder, Sid Collinsworth, Robert Montgomery, Don Stutsman, and Jim Blancq. General Manager Mark Gardenhire was also present.

Visitor Comments, limited to five minutes: None present

Customer Mike Jones present to discuss his water bill/meter: Mr. Jones did not appear.

Review and approve October meeting minutes: Jim Blancq pointed out that the minutes show “Convene to Executive Session at 2:10 p.m.,” which is a typographical error and “at 2:10 p.m.” shall be removed. Following a review of the October 3, 2019, meeting minutes, Sam Snyder made a motion to approve the minutes with the correction. Jim Blancq seconded the motion, and it carried.

Review and approve October expenditures and financial reports: Following a review and discussion, Sam Snyder made a motion to approve the reports as submitted. Jim Blancq seconded the motion, and it carried.

Update on RD and TWDB Projects: Mark reported that he met with Jacob & Martin land manager last week who is getting updates on directions and maps and working on easements. He is looking at two designated routes and is contacting landowners. Derek is working with TWDB to get payments for two easements – Beale and Satterwhite. There will be payment to other property owners if they will not give us an easement, otherwise we can also go in right-of-way. He is also finalizing engineering for the water treatment plant, which will be paid with USDA RD money. Derek is working toward a March closing. The land purchased for the plant will be reimbursed by USDA RD.

Manager’s Report: 1) The guys have worked on several leaks resulting in a high-water loss this month. A pretty big leak was on Jim Leech’s property in a location that is not easily seen. 2) Mark stated that the recent TRWA Convention was one of the better ones he has attended. Burrell and Don also attended the annual convention. It was Don’s first time attending, and he said the time was well-spent. In the different sessions some items discussed included water laws, depreciation of equipment, PUC Legislative updates, easement issues, decertification of water districts, cities, towns. All were very informative. 3) Due to Mark attending a TRWA Board Meeting on Thursday, December 5, the board rescheduled the next meeting to December 12.

There being no further business, Robert Montgomery made a motion that the meeting adjourn. Jim Blancq seconded the motion, and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 1:59 p.m.

Burrell McKelvain, Certifying Official
Fort Griffin Special Utility District