

## **PUBLIC UTILITY BOARD MINUTES**

**March 10, 2023**

The Public Utility Board met in special session on Friday, March 10, 2023, at 1:10 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room located on the Upper Level of City Hall. Roll call was taken, and members of the Board present were: John Bell, Whit McCoskrie, Richard Vaughn, and Charles Williams. Also present were: Renee Tyler, Director of Administration; Darrell Dunlap, Superintendent of Utilities; Lauren EH Nelson, Council Liaison; and Trisha Reno, Utility Administrative Assistant/OM Coordinator. Absent were Candy Johnson; Interim Chief Financial Officer and Lowe Cannell, Mayor.

### **SUBJECTS OF DISCUSSION:**

- a. Water Tower Rehab (bid)

Superintendent of Utilities Darrell Dunlap informed the Board that well 5 which was constructed in 1932 needs repairs. The 1-million-gallon ground storage tank and 500,000 elevated pedestal tank have been out of service for one year. Three bids were received with Viking Painting coming in with the lowest at \$1,159,450.00. He noted there is \$700,000 budget in 2023 for this project. Darrell would like to use the sales tax money collected from water and sewer for this repair project and use the budgeted amount for following three projects: Well 3 ground storage tank repairs, electrical RAS basement at the Wastewater Plant, and Bear Creek Holler water line work.

Renee Tyler, Director of Administration entered the room at 1:20pm

A motion was offered by Whit McCoskrie and seconded by Charles Williams to recommend the City Council accept the Viking Painting bid to repair well 5 ground storage tank for \$533,800.00, pedestal tank for \$620,900.00 and 4 alternates including Fulton logo for a total bid of \$1,159,450.00. Motion passed with four members of the Board voting in favor.

Darrell Dunlap brought up for discussion sewer rate increases.

Courtney Doyle, Assistant Director of Administration entered the room at 1:30pm.

A motion was offered by Whit McCoskrie and seconded by Charles Williams to recommend the City Council move forward with by ordinance 1382-15 establishing sewer rates, placing the rate for January 2018 be placed into effect, raising the minimum charge to \$14.35 and user charge per 100 cubic feet to \$04.5779. Motion passed with four members of the Board voting in favor.

Renee Tyler discussed highlights from the APPA Legislative Rally held in Washington DC earlier this month and urged members of the Board as well as Council Members to attend future meetings. She stated the importance of the trip and valued the information received.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

There was no need for an executive session at this Board meeting.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Public Utility Board, motion was offered by Charles Williams and seconded by Richard Vaughn to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with four members of the Board voting in favor. The meeting adjourned at 1:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Trisha Reno,  
Utility Administrative Assistant/ OM Coordinator