# Sturdivant-Progress Water Supply Corporation 241 Village Bend Rd Mineral Wells, Texas 76067

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# Officers present:

President – Scott Royal Vice-President – Jeff Smith Secretary-Treasurer – Penny Snow Assistant Secretary-Treasurer – JB Watkins

#### **Directors** present:

Steve Byrom Mike Johnson

## **Directors** absent:

James Slattery

## Also present:

General Manager - Billy Brillhart Office Personnel –Rebekah Da Vault / Leslie Cottrell

Visitor: Potential New Director: Sarah Hahs

# Call to Order / Invocation / Verification of Quorum:

Called to Order by President Scott Royal at 5:05 pm March 9, 2022.

A Quorum was verified, 6 Directors out of 9 present.

President Scott Royal welcomed potential Director Sarah Hahs. She told the board of her background. Scott gave her a brief history of what the company is working on and planed projects for the immediate future.

Board members discussed Sarah Hahs becoming a Director. All Directors agreed that she should be on the Board.

### **Approval of the Minutes:**

**Director – Steve Byrom** made a motion that the printed minutes from February 9, 2022 board meeting be accepted. **Vice- President – Jeff Smith** seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.

### **Concerns of Customers:**

Member on E. Sturdivant Rd. – complained about water pressure issues to the Better Business Bureau (SPWSC is not a member). He was in a rush to have his tap installed. He was aware at the time of install, that the way his tap was set up, he might have pressure issues at certain times of day. Billy is reviewing documents to send to the Better Business Bureau. His name has been put on the list to change his tap.

### Field Manager's Summary of Reports:

**General Manager** Billy Brillhart presented Field Report, Work orders and Water Usage/Loss Report for, February 2022. He also presented the Office Report, Director's/Financial Report, and Sales/Receivables Report, for February 2022. *Copies of these are kept in the monthly reports folder and available for review upon request.* 

In February there were 13 leak checks, 8 of those were leaks on customer side. The purveyors changed out 34 meters to smart meters.

There was low pressure at the Hogg Mountain pressure station. There was a bad impeller in the pump. On Thursday the purveyors took down the pumps and fixed. They also replaced some valves and gaskets. They worked all night to get everything back up and running correctly.

# Status of current projects:

Water purchase contract with the City of Mineral Wells; Leslie Cottrell and engineer Cruz are still researching the water rights that Sturdivant Progress WSC has on the Brazos River. Billy will also contact the BRA and see if they have a copy. Billy is working to lower our TCEQ: 0.6 Rule (Variance / Exception) on the maximum amount of water that we can purchase from the city. It will be at least June 2022 before we will be presented with a water purchase contract. Billy is working with the engineer, to turn in the paperwork to TCEQ. These approved amounts will be used in negotiations with the City of Mineral Wells.

Dusty Trail Culvert; Billy has talked with Butch and Jeff; the county should be on it in about 2 weeks. SPWSC culvert should be here March 10<sup>th</sup>.

Buchanan (Hwy 281) property sale; Property is listed on the internet but it is not quite in the right location. Billy talked with Joy about fixing the location on the internet and getting a bigger sign on the property.

The billboard on the property has been sold, to Mr. Ogden. The new owner is open to another year land lease, but he would prefer a longer lease. There were concerns from the board, that a long lease might affect the sale of the property. Billy will discuss with him about a lease, easement or possible sale of one acre. The real estate agent is aware of encroachments on the property.

Salt situation Carter Rd wells: The wells have run, on and off, for about 18 days. The salt levels are getting lower (better). Once the levels are approved, Billy will schedule an inspection with Steve Zawrotny at TCEQ.

Upgrade of FM 2256 pipeline: Pipe prices have doubled and some have almost tripled. We still need to purchase almost 3000 feet of pipe for the project, at a cost of about \$37,000.00. The state will not approve our easements until they finish repair on the road between Village Bend and Brazoswood Dr.

Engineers report: The engineer with Jacob Martin (Cruz) will try and have our report and hydraulic model ready so that he can present at the next board meeting.

We have had several inquiries about multiple taps on properties. One person wants to put in another RV park on Hwy 281 with 200 slots. And a different person wants to put one on FM 1195 that would be about 75 taps.

Status of hole on Village Bend: The ground has dried up and the purveyors will be filling it in soon.

Fence repair/replace SPWSC office: We received another \$1100.00 from State Farm. Billy told the board that he had received 3 bids, and his was the lowest. He has ordered the supplies and will fix on his off hours.

There were no committee reports.

A motion was made by Director JB Watkins to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 pm. Director M	Лike
<b>Johnson</b> seconded the motion. Approval was 6-0 and the meeting was adjourned.	

Secretary-Treasurer, Penny Snow
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