



Board of Directors Work Session
Meeting Minutes
April 14, 2015

Board Members Present:

Jim King – Chairman
Lake Gibson - Vice Chairman
Deborah Stowers – Director
Linda Townley – Director

Others Present:

Brooke Anderson - General Manager
Tim Collins - Assistant General Manager
Jessica Mason - Recording Secretary
Linda Dunlavy - Legal Counsel
Rosalind Chambers – Financial Manager
David Renner – Reporter, Dawson
Community News

The April 14, 2015 EWSA Work Session was called to order by Chairman, Jim King at 4:02 p.m. in the Don D. Gordon Conference Room of Etowah Water & Sewer Authority (**Sign-in Form – Attachment 1**)

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Linda Townley; seconded by Deborah Stowers, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed. (3-0) (**Attachment 2**)

General Manager’s Report:

2015 Student Scholarship Update: Mr. Anderson stated that the Authority has received a good turn out on applications for the Etowah Water & Sewer Authority Youth Scholarship Program. Staff has received 9 applications for the college or university scholarship and 3 applications for the technical college scholarship. The STAR Student for Dawson County High School that will receive the Authority’s STAR Student Scholarship is Daniel Bettis. Scholarships will be given at Awards Night in May at Dawson County High School. Brooke stated that recognition of the Authority’s Scholarship Program is growing.

Other: Brooke stated homeowners served currently by a private well system had contacted the Authority asking that we extend our service line on Lord’s Way. There are about 10 existing homes and 10 future lots platted but overgrown. There is a potential for the Authority to have 20 new water customers. Tim Collins explained that there are funds left over from the 2014 Water Systems Improvements Project that the Authority could use to fund this project. If the Board is interested, a change order can be issued to

Townley Construction for this project. The Board, Brooke Anderson, and Tim Collins discussed this project briefly. Chairman King stated that he would be interested in extending the service line if all current and future homes agreed to purchase meters from the Authority. Otherwise Mr. King felt like the home owners should pay for the extension to their properties. Deborah Stowers and Linda Townley stated that the Authority was in the business of serving Dawson County with water and sewer needs. They both felt like the Authority already has the funds necessary for the small project, it is only extending our current service line by 2,000 feet, the homeowners well systems are not good, and the homeowners are probably not in the position to cost share the project with the Authority. Both Ms. Stowers and Ms. Townley think the service line should be extended. The Board directed staff to talk to the owners of the remaining 10 lots to see if they are willing to purchase meters when lots are developed. Mr. King stated that easements should be purchased before the line is extended instead of placing lines in the right-of-way in the event that the county widens this road. The Board directed staff to bring this item back to the Board in May.

Other Business/ Board Comments: None.

With no further business a motion was made by Linda Townley; seconded by Deborah Stowers to adjourn at 4:24 p.m. Motion passed (3-0).

Date Approved

Jim King –Chairman

Tony Kellar - Secretary

Attachments/Exhibits/for April 14, 2015 meeting:

1. Sign-in Form
2. Agenda

Prepared by: _____
Jessica Mason, Recording Secretary