

WEST CUMBERLAND UTILITY DISTRICT
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
September 15, 2020

1. President Monte Garrett called the meeting of the West Cumberland Utility District Board of Commissioners meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Present were commissioners: Ed Pugh and Wayne Blankenship. Staff present: Field Supervisor Clayton Tanner, Field Worker Ronnie Kennedy & Nate Tyring. General Manager Melissa Bryant. Ed Anderson & Jesse Iles were absent.
 2. Visitors present were Gerald Campbell & Reni Riden.
 3. Gerald Campbell asked if a bill could be adjusted for Tonya Rimes. Ms. Rimes had a leak in May of last year and used her leak protection and then had another leak in August that resulted in a water bill that was over \$2,000. At that time the board agreed to allow her to only pay \$40 plus her regular bill to pay it off. Board members agreed that they could not adjust her bill. Melissa recommended calling different organizations in the area to see if she could get some help on the bill.
 4. **MOTION: 9/15/20-01** Wayne Blankenship moved, seconded by Monte Garrett to approve the Minutes of August 18, 2020 Board Meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried.
 5. **MOTION: 9/15/20-02** Wayne Blankenship moved, seconded by Monte Garrett to approve the financial statement for August. All voted Aye. Motion carried.
 - 6a. The Field Operation report was reviewed. A copy of this report is attached. All samples were negative. There was 1 new water tap installed. There was 16 disconnected; 3 have not been reconnected.
 - 6b. The water loss of 15.29% was reported for August. A copy of this report is attached.
 - 6c. There were 2 leaks between July 16, 2020 to August 13, 2020. Emergency operation reports are attached.
- Other Business:
- 7a. The service line replacement project was discussed and 8 services have been replaced.
 - 7b. Melissa reported that the appraisal on the Cowpen tank has been done and it appraised for \$800. The board decided that it would be best just to keep it and allow Rural Solutions to pay rent for an internet tower in the future.
 - 7c. Information for replacing waterlines on Mayland Rd, Cottage St. and Bell Rd was given to the board, however Melissa wanted to get more information on bidding out a long-term contract for installing new lines. This item was tabled until the next meeting.
- Melissa let the board members know that there was a conference in Gatlingburg for commissioners in October.


ESA


MHG


JWB

Clayton reported to the board that he had gotten prices on a full size truck, board members agreed to bring it up at the next meeting when Ed & Jesse would be attending.

8. Adjournment.


MOTION:9/15/20-03 Wayne Blankenship moved, seconded by Ed Pugh that the meeting be adjourned. All voted aye. Motion was carried.

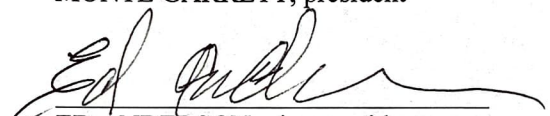
President Garrett adjourned the meeting at 6:43 pm.

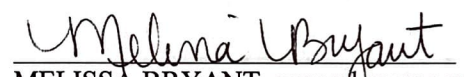
The next Board Meeting will be held on October 20, 2020 at 6 PM.
All correspondence and documentation mentioned in the minutes are attached records of the minutes.

The minutes above are approved by the following to be the official records of the West Cumberland Utility District Board of Commissioners meeting:

10-20-2020
Date approved


MONTE GARRETT, president


ED ANDERSON, vice-president


MELISSA BRYANT, general manager


WAYNE BLANKENSHIP, secretary/treasurer