

Cabot Water & Wastewater Commission Meeting
April 28, 2011 AT 6:00 P.M.
Cabot Waterworks Administrative Office
#1 City Plaza, Suite B

Attendees: Gary Walker, Bert Mayer, Cary Hobbs, Aaron Benzing, Tim Joyner, Bruce Brown, Karen Ballard, Jimmy Taylor and Tad Bohannon.

Visitors: Mr. Michael Cobb, Cobb & Suskie, Ltd.

Gary Walker called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.
Bert Mayer led the opening prayer.

Bert Mayer made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on March 24, 2011, 2ND by Cary Hobbs, Motion Carried Unanimously.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT:

The Northbelt Transmission Line from Cabot to Gravel Ridge is still progressing. Workers have been flushing and testing the line for the last 3 days. The line should be in service within the week. The SCADA is ready for service.

The Northbelt Transmission Line from Little Rock to Gravel Ridge is progressing well. Commissioners received a copy of an email from Jim Ferguson containing spreadsheets with update of costs that outlines the total cost of each section.

The final document has been filed with the Court regarding the old Water Treatment Plant (WTP). Bert Mayer made a motion to approve the transition of the old WTP to the City of Cabot, 2nd by Cary Hobbs, Motion Carried Unanimously.

Commissioners reviewed the internal water funded projects. The WTP had some lightning damage from last week's storms, totaling nearly \$25,000 in damage to the plant. There will be evaluations on surge protection and grounding to prevent any further problems. Crews have recently been at Polk Street retiring an old 4" water line with multiple breaks. All services on the 4" were transferred to a 10" line. The entire water system is being flushed and will continue to be flushed for the rest of this month and next month. CWW is still waiting on the Highway Department approval of the route for the Hwy 5 & 89 Loop.

Commissioners reviewed the internal wastewater funded projects. Crews have been at Myrtle & Grant St. replacing 10 inch sewer line that is part of the Master Plan. Crews continue smoke testing lines. The aeration pump arrived and is in operation. Crews are waiting to see how effective the pump will be within the next month. The Infiltration & Inflow Reduction Project is progressing. Commissioners were expecting more improvement than was shown.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Bruce Brown delivered the March Financial Report. Bert Mayer made a motion to approve the March Financial Report, 2nd by Aaron Benzing, Motion Carried Unanimously.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

Mr. Michael Cobb from Cobb & Suskie, Ltd. delivered the 2010 Audit Report. Only one correction remains, a service name change of one utility on page 20. Cary Hobbs made a motion to accept the 2010 Audit and to only change the names to correct the service names, on page 20 and any others found, no numbers are to be changed, 2nd by Bert Mayer, Motion Carried Unanimously.

CWW is currently waiting on ORWD's attorney to review a request to the Ouachita River Valley District, who has the option of the 1st right of refusal, for 7 million gallons a day. Their Board has no immediate problems. CWW is also waiting on the final price details.

NON AGENDA ITEMS:

Commissioners discussed the Master Water Plan approval with ANRC. Commissioners asked the legal counsel to take the lead in contacting ANRC and pushing to get the Master Water Plan approved. An update will be given at the May meeting.

The latest draft of the agreement between North Pulaski Water, Jacksonville Water and CWW is a 50 year agreement that addresses service areas and consequences for crossing service areas. Commissioners asked legal counsel to provide a written legal opinion regarding the agreement.

Bert Mayer made a motion to adjourn at 7:06 p.m., 2nd by Aaron Benzing, Motion Carried Unanimously.

Minutes prepared by Tiffany Brockinton.

Bert Mayer

COMMISSION SECRETARY
BERT MAYER