

DESOTO COUNTY REGIONAL UTILITY AUTHORITY  
Board of Directors  
Regular Meeting  
July 20, 2022  
9:00 A.M.

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Directors present at the meeting were:

Director Andy Swims  
Director Chris Wilson  
Director Barry Bridgforth  
Director Steven Boxx  
Director Joe Frank Lauderdale  
Director Tim Tucker  
Director Pete Scott

The July 20, 2022, regular meeting of the DeSoto County Regional Utility Authority Board of Directors was called to order by Director Andy Swims, DCRUA President. He announced there was a quorum.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Director Pete Scott made a motion to approve the minutes of June 8, 2022. Director Tim Tucker seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

	Full		Flow
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Boxx	Yes	Director Boxx	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

C. APPROVAL OF INVOICES

Director Steven Boxx made a motion to approve all invoices as submitted for approval. Director Andy Swims seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Boxx	Yes	Director Boxx	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
<b>***Exhibit A***</b>			

D. OLD BUSINESS

**DCRUA Policy for Areas Outside City Limits** - After discussion of the proposed policy, Director Barry Bridgforth made a motion to reject the map and retail document. The motion failed for a lack of a sending.

Director Barry Bridgforth made a motion to approve the DCRUA Policy for Areas Outside The City Limits. Director Andy Swims seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Boxx	Yes	Director Boxx	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
<b>***Exhibit B***</b>			

**Budget FY23** - After discussion regarding the proposed FY 23 budget, Director Tim Tucker made a motion to approve the draft budget for the members review and comment in accordance with the Member Service Agreements. Director Chris Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Boxx	Yes	Director Boxx	Yes

Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

\*\*\*Exhibit C\*\*\*

**Johnson Creek WWTF Effluent Pipeline – Authorize Legal and Engineering staff to update necessary documents and proceed with land acquisition -**

Director Barry Bridgforth made a motion to approve authorize Legal and Engineering staff to update necessary documents and proceed with land acquisition for the Johnson Creek WWTF Effluent Pipeline under the hourly contract and any action as needed for a permit extension. Director Andy Swims seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Boxx	Yes	Director Boxx	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

E. NEW BUSINESS

**Authorization of Travel to WefTEc Conference – New Orleans, LA, October**

**8-12, 2022** - Director Pete Scott made a motion to authorize travel to the WefTEc Conference – New Orleans, LA, October 8-12, 2022. Director Joe Frank Lauderdale seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Boxx	Yes	Director Boxx	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

**Quarterly Budget Report (Report – No Action) & Flow Summary –** Judy Marshall and Audrey Lewis presented the reports to the Board. No action was taken.

\*\*\*Exhibit D\*\*\*

**Trustmark Crop Trust Dept Assets (Series 2014 Bond) to Peoples Financial Corporation** – Judy Marshall advised the Board of Trustmark’s sale of substantially all of Trustmark’s Corporate Trust Department Assets to The Peoples Bank. The Series 2014 Bond is included as detailed in Exhibit E.

\*\*\*Exhibit E\*\*\*

**Eldridge Service – Johnson Creek WWTF AC – Emergency Purchase** – After confirming an emergency situation at the Johnson Creek WWTF regarding the effective running of the plant and to ensure the health and safety of residents in Desoto County, Director Joe Frank Lauderdale, pursuant to Mississippi Code 31-7-13(k) and authority in DCRUA’s enabling legislation authorizing DCRUA to contract on any terms agreeable, made a motion to approve the purchase of the Samsung ductless mini split AC and to authorize Eldridge Service to install as an emergency purchase and repair in the amount of \$5,249.00. Director Steven Boxx seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Boxx	Yes	Director Boxx	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

\*\*\*Exhibit F\*\*\*

**Aqua-Aerobic System, Inc. – Braybourne WWTF – Emergency Purchase Sole Source** – After confirming an emergency situation at the Braybourne WWTF regarding the effective running of the plant and to ensure the health and safety of residents in Desoto County, Director Pete Scott, pursuant to Mississippi Code 31-7-13(k) and authority in DCRUA’s enabling legislation authorizing DCRUA to contract on any terms agreeable, made a motion to approve the purchase of the 15HP Model SS Aqua-Jet Aerator all as an emergency purchase and repair in the amount of \$7,021.62 and noted that pursuant to Mississippi Code 31-7-13(m)(viii), Aqua-Aerobic System, Inc., is the sole source for this purchase and repair as detailed in Exhibit G. Director Andy Swims seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Boxx	Yes	Director Boxx	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes

Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

\*\*\*Exhibit D\*\*\*

**S & N Airoflo – Fox Creek – Emergency Purchase** – After confirming an emergency situation at the Fox Creek WWTF regarding the effective running of the plant and to ensure the health and safety of residents in Desoto County, Director Tim Tucker, pursuant to Mississippi Code 31-7-13(k) and authority in DCRUA’s enabling legislation authorizing DCRUA to contract on any terms agreeable, made a motion to approve the purchase of the Floating Brush Rotor Rental as an emergency purchase and repair in the amount of \$5,616.80. Director Andy Swims seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Boxx	Yes	Director Boxx	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

\*\*\*Exhibit H\*\*\*

**Johnson Creek Greenway Restroom Connection-** Director Tim Tucker made a motion to allow the JC Greenway restroom connection contingent upon Walls, the retail agent, being willing to accept the flow. Director Barry Bridgforth seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Boxx	Yes	Director Boxx	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

**SRF Loan 13 application – JCWWTF Effluent to MS River -** Director Joe Frank Lauderdale made a motion to approve submitting the loan application. Director Chris Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes

Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Boxx	Yes	Director Boxx	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

\*\*\***Exhibit I**\*\*\*

#### F. EXECUTIVE SESSION

In accordance with Section 25-41-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, Director Joe Frank Lauderdale requested, by motion, a closed determination of the issue of whether to declare an executive session for purposes of discussing personnel and compliance litigation. Director Pete Scott seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Boxx	Yes	Director Boxx	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

The meeting was then closed. After discussion, Director Barry Bridgforth moved to go into executive session for purposes of discussing personnel and land acquisition. Director Steven Boxx seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Boxx	Yes	Director Boxx	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

Director Pete Scott made a motion to end the Executive Session. Director Andy Swims seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full	Flow
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Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Boxx	Yes	Director Boxx	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

G. PERMITS

**The Townhouses of the Preserve at Cedar Bluff, Phase 1 (Olive Branch), The Preserve at Cedar Bluff, Phase 2 (Olive Branch), Old River Farms S/D (Olive Branch), Woods Trade Center 2, Lot 6 (Olive Branch)** - After review of the information submitted and discussion, Director Joe Frank Lauderdale made a motion to approve the permit for The Townhouses of the Preserve at Cedar Bluff, Phase 1 (Olive Branch), The Preserve at Cedar Bluff, Phase 2 (Olive Branch), Old River Farms S/D (Olive Branch), Woods Trade Center 2, Lot 6 (Olive Branch). Director Tim Tucker seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Boxx	Yes	Director Boxx	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

\*\*\***Exhibit J**\*\*\*

H. ENGINEERING REPORT

Ross Horton provided the status report for the Metro Upgrade.  
 \*\*\***Exhibit K**\*\*\*

**Metro Upgrade** - After noting that DCRUA was under contract for the Metro Upgrade, Director Tim Tucker made a motion to approve The Lemoine Company Pay App #7 in the amount of \$218,072.50. Director Steven Boxx seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Boxx	Yes	Director Boxx	Yes

Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

\*\*\*Exhibit L\*\*\*

Ross Horton stated the Lower Camp Creek Notice to Proceed was July 11, 2022.

I. OPERATIONS REPORT

Eddy Russell presented the operations and maintenance report from Inframark for the Short Fork, Ross Road, Braybourne and Johnson Creek WWTP facilities to the Board.

\*\*\*Exhibit M\*\*\*

Michael Stewart presented the operations and maintenance report from Mitchell Technical Services for the Metro WWTF.

\*\*\*Exhibit N\*\*\*

Director Tim Tucker made a motion to approve the purchase of Two (2) 10 HP S&N Airolfo 1600 Series Hot Dipped Galvanized Floating Brush Rotors in the amount of \$48,796.00 which includes the credit of \$2,569.40 against the purchase price of the new unit. Director Steven Boxx seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Boxx	Yes	Director Boxx	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

\*\*\*Exhibit O\*\*\*

Director Andy Swims made a motion to authorize the preliminary design of the flow of the Fox Creek WWTF to the Metro WWTF. Director Tim Tucker seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Boxx	Yes	Director Boxx	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes



Director Scott      Yes

Director Scott      Yes

J.      ADJOURN/RECESS

Director Joe Frank Lauderdale made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Director Andy Swims seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full

Flow

Director Swims      Yes  
Director Bridgforth      Yes  
Director Boxx      Yes  
Director Lauderdale      Yes  
Director Tucker      Yes  
Director Scott      Yes

Director Swims      Yes  
Director Bridgforth      Yes  
Director Boxx      Yes  
Director Lauderdale      Yes  
Director Tucker      Yes  
Director Scott      Yes

  
Board President

  
Board Clerk