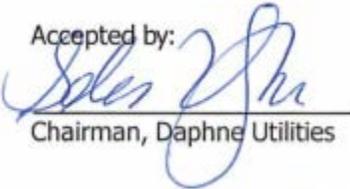


Accepted by:  
  
Chairman, Daphne Utilities



# APPROVED MINUTES

## Utilities Board Meeting

Council Chambers, Daphne City Hall ♦ February 24, 2021 ♦ 5:00 p.m.

### I. Call to Order

The regular February 2021 Board meeting for the Utilities Board of the City of Daphne was held on February 24, 2020, in the Council Chambers at Daphne City Hall and called to order at 5:01 p.m. by Chairwoman Selena Vaughn, followed by the Roll Call:

### II. Roll Call

*Members Present:* Selena Vaughn, Chairwoman  
Tim Patton, Vice Chairman  
Billy Mayhand, Secretary/Treasurer  
Mayor Robin LeJeune, Board Member  
Councilman Doug Goodlin, Board Member

*Members Absent:*

*Others Present:* Jerry Speegle – Board Attorney  
Scott Polk – General Manager  
Bobby Purvis – Operations Manager  
Teresa Logiotatos – Finance Manager  
Samantha Coppels – Communications Manager  
Lori May-Wilson – Executive Assistant

*Others Absent:* Drew Klumpp – Administrative Services Manager

### III. Pledge of Allegiance

The Chairwoman led the Board and meeting attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### IV. Approval of Minutes

#### A. Utilities Board Meeting Minutes January 27, 2021

The Chairwoman requested any additions, corrections, or deletions for the submitted minutes for the January 27, 2021 Utilities Board meeting.

With no additions, deletions, or corrections, the Chairwoman declared that the submitted January 27<sup>th</sup> minutes would stand approved.

V. **OLD BUSINESS** – None

VI. **NEW BUSINESS** – None

Chairwoman Vaughn announced that she had requested Mr. Bobby Purvis to address the Board regarding the problems that developed in Texas from the winter weather and how Daphne Utilities is prepared for any similar issues that may arise. Mr. Purvis explained that we have several safeguards in place, from natural gas powered emergency power at every well and treatment plant to isolating problematic water systems in various neighborhoods to avoid issues with our system as a whole. He also advised that we continuously communicate with our customers during seasonal weather events to keep them well-informed of any information that may help keep their services from being interrupted and what to do if they are.

## **VII. BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Mr. Speegle had no new or remaining matters to report.

## **VIII. FINANCIAL REPORT**

Teresa Logiotatos reminded the Board that the Balance Sheet Highlights first paragraph is a year-to-date discussion on the cash flow report. She then reviewed the monthly section relative to the net income and the positive effect natural gas service has had on the budget. Lastly, she reviewed the Check History Report for the Board.

## **IX. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

### **A. GM Report**

General Manager Scott Polk gave project updates to the Board on: Olde Towne Daphne's inspection and cleaning of sewer lines; the Diamante water well; the natural gas line upgrade/replacement in Daphmont; the tertiary filter and enhanced uv project at WRF; Rigsby Road expansion; and an inflow/infiltration study near Windscape liftstation. He also discussed the impact COVID has had on Daphne Utilities, gave an update on the 404 Mitigation Grant and informed the Board of a new hire/employee orientation meeting initiated by Mr. Bobby Purvis.

### **B. Operations Report**

Mr. Bobby Purvis informed the Board of an SSO that occurred over the weekend; gave an update of increasing population in Daphne and the impact to the Daphne Utilities' system; and commended Antonio Winston and his Maintenance staff for the tabletop electrical training panel system in which they are learning. He answered questions from the board.

### **C. Engineering & Consulting Reports**

Mrs. Melinda Immel with Volkert had nothing further to add to her report.

Mr. Robbie Strom with GMC had nothing further to add to his report

## **X. BOARD ACTION – None.**

## **XI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – the Chairwoman invited participants to address the Board at 5:28pm; with no participants, the Chairwoman closed Public Participation at 5:28pm.**

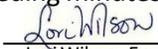
## **XII. BOARD COMMENTS – Mr. Goodlin commented on Daphne Utilities' investment in videoing pipe throughout our system; he also mentioned natural gas for Firestation #5, in which a discussion and clarification resulted. Mr. Mayhand remarked that he was glad to see everyone and wished all to stay safe. Mr. Patton commended the staff for the electrical panel training. Mayor LeJeune applauded everyone for a great job and thanked Samantha Coppels for pointing out on social media the different services between the City of Daphne and Daphne Utilities.**

### **XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further discussions, the Chairwoman called for adjournment at 5:32pm.

The meeting adjourned at 5:32pm.

Preceding minutes submitted to the Daphne Utilities Board by:



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Lori Wilson, Executive Assistant, Daphne Utilities