

Missouri Water and Wastewater Conference

Board Meeting Minutes September 17, 2024

MWWC's September 17, 2024 board of directors meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m. In attendance were Chairman Verlon Persinger, Chair-Elect Archie Hendren, Vice-Chair Curtis Hedrick, John Waitman, Mike McMillian, Tony Lamb, Shelley Lane, Tyler Stuhlman, Tim Gephart, Kent Spainhour, Quentin Overbeck, Sandi Miller, and Leslie Miller.

Chairman Persinger asked if everyone had received and read the May 22, 2024 board meeting minutes. He asked if there were any changes or additions to the minutes. There being none, the minutes were submitted for the record. Mike McMillan made the motion to accept the minutes, Tyler Stuhlman seconded the motion that then carried.

Executive Director Sandi reported that the primary focus of the staff, since the last board meeting, has been the annual meeting. She also reported that she, thus the daily operations of the Conference, has moved to Ozark, MO and that she and Leslie now have cell phones. Leslie's number is 417/ 368-5585 and Sandi's is 417/368-5586.

Sandi reported that John Betz is taking a sabbatical from teaching in November and December and may be retiring from teaching soon. She stated that special emphasis has been made on the training program of MWWC's webpage, informing operators that training opportunities will be limited in November and December and encouraging operators to plan ahead by taking advantage of the classes that are available. Sandi reported that two classes are to be held at Jefferson College in Hillsboro – one in October and the other in December. She indicated that she would be applying for Illinois credits for those and other classes at the request of some Illinois operators. She also said that the Jefferson College classes should be very well attended and that one of the instructors may teach some virtual classes as well.

Sandi then reported that Estes and Associates has completed the review of the 2023 financials. A copy of that report was included in the board member packets. Sandi said that Leslie has been working on the recommendations of the report.

Leslie reported that the current membership total was 2,339 (1,187 Individual, 43 associate, 420 life).

Leslie then gave the following financial reports: Hawthorne Bank - Checking Acct. amount (as of 9/13/24) totaled \$68,376.47. The River Region Credit Union - Reserve Account 9/13/24) totaled \$106,379.87.

Sections (as of 12/31/23)	\$ 103,903.80		
Southwest	\$11,489.60	Northeast	\$ 5,871.70
Midwest	\$13,159.05	East Central	\$ 5,215.36
Northwest	\$21,121.77		
Southeast	\$48,791.19		
Northeast	\$ 5,871.70		

Leslie gave the report for the up-to-date 2024 budget. John Waitman made a motion to accept the financial reports. Shelly Lane seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Verlon gave the nominating report update.

No New business was brought before the board.

Derek Leffert from the 109 Group and Josh Youngblood from MPUA presented final proposals for the part each entity would play in the management of the MWWC upon Sandi Miller's retirement.

Mike McMillian made a motion to accept the 109 Group's proposal. Tyler Stuhlman seconded the motion. Verlon made the decision to individually vote.

Leslie went through the roll call and asked each individual to state their vote.

She reported 8 yes votes and 0 no votes.

The motion carried. Verlon indicated that he would notify both parties.

The next board meeting will be held on Zoom on December 18, 2024.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made and was seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.