



SEVIER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Water Committee – February 2024

February 8, 2024 3:00 PM

Members

Scott Catlett
Mike Hillard
Warren Hurst
Mike Chambers

Others

Mayor Larry Waters
Vice Mayor Bryan McCarter
Assistant County Mayor/Senior Director of
Finance & Administration Brooke Huffaker

Assistant County Mayor/Senior Director of
Community Planning and
Development/Government Services Matt
Rudder
Director of Grants and Special Projects
Andrew Temple
Director of Public Affairs and
Communications Tyler Basler
Director Brent Shults
Assistant Director David Valentine
Robert Campbell
Evan Sanders (Zoom)

- I. Call to Order
- II. Old Business
- III. New Business
 - A. Water Line Extension for Deer Meadows Road Bid Award
 - B. ARPA Projects Update
 - C. Nuns Cove Extension
 - D. ESCUD ARPA Request
- IV. Other Business
- V. Adjourn

Commissioner Hurst called the meeting to order at 3:05 PM.

Commissioner Hurst recognized Director Shults. Director Shults presented the Committee the bid sheet noting that Knoxville Excavating, LLC was the low bidder with a bid price of \$485,435. Mr. Campbell recommended to the Committee to award the bid to Knoxville Excavating, LLC. Commissioner Chambers made a motion to accept the low bid and award the project to Knoxville Excavating, LLC. Commissioner Hillard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Campbell and Mr. Sanders updated the Committee on the current status of the ARPA projects. All ARPA funds must be obligated by December 31, 2024 and spent by September 30, 2026.

Director Shults updated the Committee on the Nuns Cove extension project which was a project of a previous CDBG project, but was not finished due to the grant funds running out before the project could be completed. Mr. Campbell informed the Committee his firm would



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have to resubmit the plans to the State and possibly make minor changes. Mayor's Office will look at alternative funds to pay for the project outside of the ARPA funds. Commissioner Chambers made a motion to allow Robert G. Campbell & Associates to make the changes necessary to restart the project. Commissioner Catlett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Waters presented a request from ESCUD requesting Sevier County to allow ESCUD to redirect \$125,000 from Sevier County's ARPA Grant from the initial purpose of "drinking water: source" to "drinking water: treatment". Specifically, ESCUD would like to use the funds for filtration engineering design. Mr. Sanders confirmed that TDEC is aware and supportive of the request from ESCUD to Sevier County. Commissioner Hillard made a motion to allow ESCUD to redirect \$125,000 from Sevier County's ARPA grant from the initial purpose of "drinking water: source" to "drinking water: treatment". Commissioner Catlett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Chambers made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Catlett seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 3:34 PM.