

Laurens County Water and Sewer Commission

Board of Commissioners Meeting September 26, 2017 8:45am

Minutes

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Doug Hendrick (Municipal), Wofford Woods (I), Philip O'Dell (II), Jurell Byrd, Secretary (III), Bill Teague, Vice Chairman (IV), Susan Curry, Treasurer (V), John McMurray, (VI) and Ted Davenport, Chairman (VII)

STAFF:

Jeff Field, Executive Director

Kevin Anderson, Director of Operations and Engineering

Debbie Price, Executive Administrative Assistant

Angie Nelson, Director of Administration and Customer Service

Wendy Medlock, Director of Finance

ATTORNEY: Allen M. Wham

PRESS: Clinton Chronicle

Call to Order

Invocation

Approval of Amended Agenda

Approval of August 22, 2017 Minutes

Chairman Remarks

Executive Director Remarks

LCWSC Monthly Financial Summary

LCWSC Monthly Operations Summary

New Business

Old Business

1. Lake Greenwood WTP Update

Executive Session

1. Potential contractual matter with the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs related to Whitten Center Sewer Project

Adjourn

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Davenport called the meeting to order at 9:10am in the Board Room of the Laurens County Water and Sewer Commission.

Invocation was given by Commissioner McMurray.

APPROVAL OF AMENDED AGENDA

Executive Session Item:

Potential contractual matter with the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs related to Whitten Center Sewer Project

Commissioner Teague MOVED that the amended agenda be approved as submitted. MOTION SECONDED by Commissioner Byrd. MOTION CARRIED. AYES, 7; NAYS, 0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Davenport asked if there were any additions or corrections to the August 22, 2017 minutes, as submitted to the Commissioners.

Commissioner O'Dell MOVED *that the minutes be accepted as submitted*. MOTION SECONDED by Commissioner Woods. MOTION CARRIED. AYES, 7; NAYS, 0

CHAIRMAN REMARKS

Chairman Davenport welcomed the press to the meeting and thanked Mrs. Price, United Way Campaign Coordinator, for planning and facilitating the LCWSC United Way Kickoff Breakfast this morning.

LCWSC MONTHLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY

The monthly financial summary was presented to the Commissioners. A copy of this summary can be found in the Commissioner Board packet.

As of August 31, 2017, LCWSC currently had a total of \$5,102,439 in cash for operating and reserve funds as compared to \$4,650,913 this time in FY17.

LCWSC MONTHLY OPERATIONS SUMMARY

The monthly operations summary was presented to the Commissioners. A copy of this summary can be found in the Commissioner Board packet.

Mr. Field discussed the work order summary. There were 16 new taps installed during the month of August with 47 new taps installed this year.

Mr. Anderson discussed water purchased and percent loss. For the month of August, total audited water was at a 21.45% loss. The rolling 12-month average for audited water is a 19.27% loss, while water in Joanna is an 8.74% loss. The target is 18%.

Total customers billed was 14,351, compared to 14,001 this time last year.

Mr. Anderson also reported on leak work orders. There were 21 active service line leaks and 5 active main line leaks for the month of August.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Lake Greenwood WTP Update

Mr. Anderson provided an update on the Lake Greenwood WTP project. The pilot study is complete, the area has been cleaned, and the electrical supply will be shut down for safety reasons. Formal pilot study results will be presented to the Capital Committee on October 5, 2017.

Mr. Field stated that LCWSC is very close to having the needed permits. LCWSC must obtain a permit from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) because Lake Greenwood has a hydroelectric generating station. Federal feedback should be received in 30 to 60 days.

Mr. Field also stated that recent problems related to Santee Cooper will not have an effect on the project. Santee Cooper has informed Greenwood County that the utility does not wish to renew a hydroelectric agreement for the Buzzards Roost hydro plant.

Next steps:

- Review pilot data
- Review engineers' recommendations
- Review proposals from manufacturers
- Select the treatment processes
- Revise PER for USDA
- Design and final engineering contract

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon returning to open session, the Commission may take whatever action deemed appropriate on matters discussed in executive session.

1. Potential contractual matter with the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs related to Whitten Center Sewer Project

Commissioner Hendrick MOVED that the *Board of Commissioners go into Executive Session at 9:49am.* MOTION SECONDED by Commissioner McMurray. MOTION CARRIED. AYES, 7; NAYS, 0

Commissioner Hendrick MOVED that the *Board of Commissioners come out of Executive Session at 10:10am. MOTION* SECONDED by Commissioner Woods. MOTION CARRIED. AYES, 7; NAYS, 0.

No vote taken.

ADJOURN

There being no further business the Commission adjourned at 10:10am.

Commissioner Hendrick MOVED that the *Board of Commissioners meeting be adjourned*. MOTION SECONDED by Commissioner Curry. MOTION CARRIED. AYES, 7; NAYS, 0

I certify that the above Minutes accurately reflect the business conducted at the Commission meeting on September 26, 2017 and that the minutes were approved at the meeting held October 24, 2017.

Jurell Byrd, Jr., Secretary