

## Laurens County Water and Sewer Commission

## Board of Commissioners Meeting August 23, 2016 8:15am

#### **Minutes**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Ted Davenport, Chairman (Municipal), Wofford Woods (I), Philip O'Dell (II), Jurell Byrd (III), Bill Teague, Treasurer (IV), Susan Curry (V), John McMurray (VI) and E.L. Mason, Secretary (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 Workman, Director of Finance

ATTORNEY: Allen M. Wham

PRESS: Clinton Chronicle

Call to Order

Invocation

Approval of July 26, 2016 Minutes

Chairman Remarks

**Executive Director Remarks** 

LCWSC Monthly Financial Summary

**LCWSC Monthly Operations Summary** 

**New Business** 

## **Old Business**

1. Update concerning contractual agreement with Mogul Industries associated with proposed sewer system improvements to serve their facility.

#### Other Business

#### **Executive Session**

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- 2. Follow-up discussion of negotiations related to a proposed contractual agreement associated with the withdrawal of water from Lake Greenwood.

#### **ADJOURN**

## CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Davenport called the meeting to order at 8:21am in the Board Room of the Laurens County Water and Sewer Commission.

Invocation was given by Commissioner Woods.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Davenport asked if there were any additions or corrections to the July 26, 2016 minutes, as submitted to the Commissioners.

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

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REMARKS**

Mr. Field discussed the discolored water issue. The Commission of Public Works is dealing with the same issue inside the city and we are working closely with them to remedy the situation. LCWSC has also created a service request log of customer complaints for follow up. The discolored water is the result of rain and manganese and is safe for consumption.

# **LCWSC MONTHLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

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

As of July 31, 2016 LCWSC currently had a total of \$4,660,901 in cash and cash reserves as compared to \$3,837,843 this time in FY16. The difference is partially due to our capital rate increase and more revenue in both the sewer treatment and sewer collection systems, as well as fewer capital expenses in FY16 than in FY15.

## 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.

There were 11 new services installed as of July 31<sup>st</sup>, 9 active service line leaks and 7 active main line leaks.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Update concerning contractual agreement with Mogul Industries associated with proposed sewer system improvements to serve their facility

Chairman Davenport and Mr. Field were authorized at the June 2016 Commissioner meeting to take the necessary action related to the contractual agreement with Mogul Industries for proposed sewer system improvements to serve their facility.

Mr. Field stated that the agreement has been executed for the \$2 million project. We have agreed to construct the project and have it in operation by August 21, 2017. This deadline is dependent on EDA application and the EDA grant award occurring in September 2016.

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Commissioner Woods MOVED that the *Board of Commissioners go into Executive Session at 9:25am* to discuss a contractual/legal matter. MOTION SECONDED by Commissioner Byrd. MOTION CARRIED. AYES, 7; NAYS, 0

Commissioner O'Dell MOVED that the *Board of Commissioners come out of Executive Session at 10:42am.* MOTION SECONDED by Commissioner Curry. MOTION CARRIED. AYES, 7; NAYS, 0

## 2. Approval of the Contractual Agreement with Town of Gray Court

The LCWSC Board of Commissioners voted unanimously to approve the agreement with the Town of Gray Court. The agreement allows for a 50-cent rate increase per thousand gallons over two years. The agreement also allows water rates to fluctuate beyond that, increase or decrease, based on yearly financial reviews. Rates may also be adjusted if LCWSC begins serving Gray Court with water from the proposed Lake Greenwood WTP.

Commissioner Curry MOVED to approve the agreement with the Town of Gray Court. MOTION SECONDED by Commissioner O'Dell. MOTION CARRIED. AYES, 7; NAYS, 0

### **ADJOURN**

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

There being no further business the Commission adjourned at 10:45am.

I certify that the above Minutes accurately reflect the business conducted at the Commission meeting on August 23, 2016 and that the minutes were approved at the meeting held September 27, 2016.

E. L. Mason, Secretary