



Laurens County Water and Sewer Commission

Board of Commissioners Meeting

January 23, 2018

8:15am

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

GUEST: Damas Mattison

Call to Order

Invocation

Approval of December 12, 2017 Minutes

Chairman Remarks

Executive Director Remarks

LCWSC Monthly Financial Summary

LCWSC Monthly Operations Summary

New Business

1. CMOM Quarterly Update
2. Proposed CDBG Project – Lydia Mill Area

Old Business

1. CDBG Project – North Marion Street, Joanna
2. Lake Greenwood WTP Update

Executive Session

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

Other Business

Adjourn

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Davenport called the meeting to order at 8:20am in the board room of Laurens County Water and Sewer Commission.

Invocation was given by Commissioner McMurray.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Davenport asked if there were any additions or corrections to the December 12, 2017 minutes, as submitted to the Commissioners.

Commissioner Hendrick MOVED *that the minutes be accepted as submitted.* MOTION SECONDED by Commissioner Byrd. MOTION CARRIED. AYES, 7; NAYS, 0

CHAIRMAN REMARKS

Chairman Davenport welcomed Vic McDonald to the meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REMARKS

Mr. Field welcomed Mrs. Price back to work from recent surgery and asked the board to remember Chris Lyda in the death of his father.

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 December 31, 2017, LCWSC currently had a total of \$5,298,597 in cash for operating and reserve funds as compared to \$4,613,942 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.

104 new services have been installed as of December 31st, with 11 new services installed during the month of December. There were 5 active services line leaks and 6 active main line leaks.

Mr. Anderson reported that water percent loss is continuing to trend down. For the month of December, total audited water was at an 9.66% loss, while Joanna had a 11.05% loss. The rolling 12-month average for audited water is a 16.13% loss, while water in Joanna is an 9.30% loss. The target is 18.00%.

Additional water loss information will be provided at future meetings.

Mr. Mattison discussed the effects of the recent cold weather on tanks, pump stations and water loss. The level in water tanks was used to monitor for leaks. New technology enables technicians to get a real-time look at tank levels and pump station activity; a drop in the analog readings prompts us to look for leaks. We did not find many leaks in the area of the Fountain Inn Pump Station even though tanks in this area of the system experienced low levels. Only explanation is residents in this part of the system most likely ran water to keep it from freezing. This is further verified by the fact that once the cold weather subsided, everything went back to cycling near normal. Lake Greenwood leaks were a concern because residents have weekend and vacation homes and were not on-site to monitor freezing pipes. Tanks in this area also returned to normal once temperatures remained above freezing.

Mr. Mattison stated that significant leaks were located on main lines in the following locations: Highway 14, Magnolia Street, Calhoun Street, Blalock Street, Pickens Street and Lisbon Road.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Capacity, Management, Operations, and Maintenance (CMOM) Quarterly Update

Mr. Mattison provided the CMOM second quarterly report.

The report included a breakdown of right of way (ROW) maintenance, manhole inspection and maintenance, and air-release valve inspections.

LCWSC currently has 118 acres of mow-able ROW. The last 17.7 acres of ROW has been completed.

FY18 3rd Quarter Work:

- Complete the Air Release Valve Manual Inspections by January 31, 2018
- Begin Cleaning and CCTV work on gravity lines rated A on the criticality list
- Inflow and Infiltration flow monitoring
- Clean and CCTV next CDBG projected project area

2. Proposed CDBG Project – Lydia Mill Area

Mr. Anderson discussed a proposed Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for a sewer project in the Lydia Mill community.

The focus will be to correct gravity main issues that can affect all of Lydia Mill and focus on back alley lines and service taps. No rehab on private service lines.

The estimated \$700,000 project serves approximately 70 homes in the area. The project entails up to 9,000 LF of potential forced main pipe and up to 30 manholes to rehab. Once income surveys are collected the project area will be better defined and the budget updated.

OLD BUSINESS

1. CDBG Project – North Marion Street, Joanna

Mr. Anderson provided an update and summary for the North Marion Street, Joanna CDBG project. Gravity mains to be replaced include 5,100 LF of 8-inch gravity sewer and 100 LF of 6-inch gravity sewer. There are 18 manholes to rehab, 1 new manhole, and 64 sewer services to reconnect. No rehab on private service lines.

Bids received on January 16, 2018:

- \$512,771 CDBG Grant
- \$18,430 Local match – Construction

There is a related demolition project that will allow us to recover our right of way. The Joanna Club House, property of the Joanna Textile Festival, was built on top of our lines. LCWSC is working with the Coalition for a Better Joanna, the Joanna Textile Festival and the County to have the building demolished.

2. Lake Greenwood WTP Update

Mr. Field stated that the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) approval is almost complete and an amendment to the agreement with Greenwood County is forthcoming. The SC DHEC surface water withdrawal permit is also complete and the engineering contract agreement was signed 12/12/17 and submitted to USDA for approval.

Mr. Anderson provided a breakdown of the administrative schedule, distribution engineering schedule, and WTP/intake engineering schedule.

Mr. Field stated a Capital Committee meeting will be scheduled for early February and an update will be provided to the board at the Commissioner meeting on February 27, 2018.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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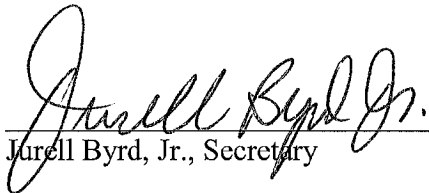
No executive session.

ADJOURN

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

There being no further business the Commission adjourned at 10:30am

I certify that the above Minutes accurately reflect the business conducted at the Commission meeting on January 23, 2018 and that the minutes were approved at the meeting held February 27, 2018.



Jurell Byrd, Jr., Secretary