



Laurens County Water and Sewer Commission

**Board of Commissioners Meeting
April 27, 2021**

Minutes

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

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Sam Peden (I)

STAFF: Jeff Field, Executive Director
Steve Griffin, Construction Manager
Damas Mattison, Regulatory Compliance and Operations Manager
Wendy Medlock, Director of Finance
Angie Nelson, Director of Administration and Customer Service
KC Price, Engineering Manager

ATTORNEY: Allen M. Wham

PRESS: Clinton Chronicle

GUESTS: Michael Seymour

Call to Order

Invocation

Approval of March 23, 2021 Minutes

Chairman Remarks

Executive Director Remarks

LCWSC Monthly Financial Summary

LCWSC Monthly Operations Summary

New Business

1. Presentation by Laurens County Soil and Water Conservation District Contest – Michael Seymour

Old Business

1. Lake Greenwood Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Update

Executive Session

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1. Contractual Matter related to Laurens CPW

Other Business

Adjourn

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Davenport called the meeting to order at 8:21am in the Training Rooms of the 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 March 23, 2021 minutes, as submitted to the Commissioners.

Commissioner Hendrick MOVED *that the minutes be accepted as submitted*. MOTION SECONDED by Commissioner Byrd. MOTION CARRIED. AYES, 6; NAYS, 0

CHAIRMAN REMARKS

Chairman Davenport welcomed the Commissioners, Michael Seymour, and the press to the meeting. He thanked Mr. Seymour for his work with the Laurens County Soil and Water Conservation District Photo Contest and Mr. MacDonald for covering the entire county's news and not just Clinton.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REMARKS

Mr. Field also welcomed everyone to the meeting.

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 March 31, 2021, LCWSC had a total of \$8,736,501 in cash for operating and reserve funds as compared to \$6,878,426 this time in FY20 and was awaiting reimbursements totaling \$803,897 from EDA.

Mr. Field discussed the highlights for Water Distribution, Wastewater, Lake Rabon, and the Town of Gray Court. He also provided the percentage breakdown for operating revenue, operating expenses, capital revenue, and capital expenses by department as well as the overall combined percentage for each.

Mr. Field noted that LCWSC has received \$1,991,465 in contributed capital grants and \$41,875 for customer paid line extensions for FY21.

LCWSC MONTHLY OPERATIONS SUMMARY

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

Mr. Field stated that the gallons per day per active residential tap for the month of March was 116. The target is 134. He shared the precipitation graph for FY21 and noted that March precipitation was below the historical norm. Mr. Field discussed the work order summary for the current month and for FY21 and reported 21 new taps were installed in the month of March. He also presented a map of the distribution of the new taps installed in FY21.

Mr. Mattison discussed water purchased and water loss for the system, which includes the percent unaccounted and the percent audited. For the month of March, the total water loss was 29.9% of which only 22.8% was unaccounted for through background leaks in the system. The rolling 12-month average for unaccounted water loss is 15.1%. The target is 18.00%.

There were 10 active service line leaks and 4 active main line leaks.

Line extensions, including completed, in progress, and upcoming, were also discussed. Mr. Griffin noted that they finished Bucks Point Road and Boyds Mill Pond Road. He also noted that they were starting on Old Plantation Road line extension today and Easy Road will be next.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Presentation by Laurens County Soil and Water Conservation District Photo Contest – Michael Seymour

Laurens County Soil and Water Conservation District (LCSWCD) Commissioner, Michael Seymour, presented LCWSC with a framed newspaper print representing the 2020 photo contest winners. He thanked LCWSC for partnering with LCSWCD for the annual photo contest and for Team Ecology.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Lake Greenwood WTP Update

Mr. Price provided an update on the Lake Greenwood WTP. He provided photos of the intake, the water treatment plant admin building, the ozone stainless steel welding, the high service pumps, and the lab area. He stated that Harper needs to finish the awning, asphalt, punch list items, and landscaping at the intake site to be finished at that location.

Next, Mr. Price provided photos of the Milam Road elevated tank and pump station. He stated that Phoenix Fabricators and Erectors are currently waiting for the weather to be right to paint the tank. Mr. Price also shared a photo of the Waterloo Booster Pump Station.

Mr. Price also noted that Payne, McGinn, and Cummings are continuing their work on the 24-inch raw water line and 16-inch distribution line and hope to be finished with the 16-inch distribution line by the end of May.

Finally, Mr. Price presented two videos produced by Smart Electric: one of the intake site and one of the water treatment plant site. He stated that he hoped to be producing water by December 1, 2021, which is ahead of the project schedule of February 2022.

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Commissioner Hendrick MOVED that the ***Board of Commissioners Go into Executive Session at 9:13am.*** MOTION SECONDED by Commissioner Curry. MOTION CARRIED. AYES, 6; NAYS, 0

Commissioner Hendrick MOVED that the ***Board of Commissioners Come Out of Executive Session at 10:24am.*** MOTION SECONDED by Commissioner Byrd. MOTION CARRIED. AYES, 6; NAYS, 0

OTHER BUSINESS

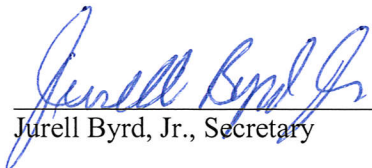
Mrs. Nelson shared that LCWSC will celebrate Drinking Water week the first week of May.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Hendrick MOVED that the ***Board of Commissioners meeting be adjourned.*** MOTION SECONDED by Commissioner O'Dell. MOTION CARRIED. AYES, 6; NAYS, 0

There being no further business the Commission adjourned at 10:26am.

I certify that the above Minutes accurately reflect the business conducted at the Commission meeting on April 27, 2021 and that the minutes were approved at the meeting held May 25, 2021.


Jurell Byrd, Jr., Secretary