

Water and Sewer Committee Meeting

June 15, 2021

10:00 A.M.

Edisto Beach Town Hall

Present: Beverly Sandifer (filling in for Bab Sandifer, Chairperson), Jody Kleckley, John David Griffith, and Lou Rassmussen, Committee Members. Also in attendance were Town Administrator Iris Hill, Patrick Zemp, Utilities Director, Assistant Town Administrator Mark Aakhus.

Administrator Hill called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes

Lou Rassmussen moved to approved to approve the minutes of January 23, 2020, seconded by John Davis Griffith, and was approved unanimously.

New Business

Sewer Collection System – Utilities Director, Patrick Zemp discussed the temporary moratorium for lift stations A, B, and C regarding collection system carrying issues with the Committee. Mr. Zemp informed the committee that collection was being ran through a 6-inch force main pipe and this was causing back up issues in the system. After discussion, Mr. Zemp informed the Committee of the two-phase plan presented by American Engineering to help establish a system that could support the Town's waste collection. Mr. Zemp explained that phase one would get the collection carrying system up to speed with the waste being collected and would add an additional seventy taps to lift stations A, B, and C. Phase two of the plan would involve updating the system, adding above ground motors, pumps, and new pipes. Town Administrator Hill mentioned that the Town would be applying for a grant to help with cost and would receive funding from Colleton County for Engineer cost. After discussion regarding phase 1, Jody Kleckley asked Administrator Hill to distribute the map of the Town's sewer lines to all of the committee members. The committee also asked to be sent the presentation that American Engineering presented to Council.

Reverse Osmosis Plant – Utilities Director, Patrick Zemp informed the committee that well pump number seven at the RO plant had been having issues regarding a broken shaft. Mr. Zemp explained to the committee that this seemed to be a manufacturer default and that the issue was fixed. Mr. Zemp also informed the committee that during Memorial Day weekend well pump number 9 also had issues regarding the well pump meter and noted that he had gotten someone to come look at the pump. John Davis Griffith asked about warranties on the wells and also suggested getting the third well pump looked at before any other issues arise. Mr. Zemp informed the committee that he had ordered two new well pumps to have available if anything were to happen during high volume tourist season. Lou Rassmussen proposed that it was unlikely that this was a manufacturer error and suggested that there could be electrical issues. John David Griffith also mentioned power surges effecting equipment and suggested that Dominion Energy come examine the readers for power surges. Mr. Griffith also suggested having a meeting were all entities gathered to discuss issues. Mr. Griffith also asked Mr. Zemp if the traces of chlorine in the water

system had been lowered. Mr. Zemp informed everyone he had been working on the levels of chlorine. Beverly Sandifer asked Administrator Hill when she planned to apply for the gran to help with funding. Ms. Hill informed the committee the Town would be submitting their application in September.

Adjournment

Jody Kleckley moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Lou Rasmussen and was approved unanimously.

APPROVED BY THE WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE



Angela K. Davis, Municipal Clerk