MINUTES

WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE MEETING TOWN OF EDISTO BEACH February 18, 2025

10:00 a.m.

Present

Chair Jody Kleckley, John David Griffith, David Ballard, Lou Rasmussen, and John Drolet, Committee Members. Quorum of Members Present.

Others Present

Utilities Director Patrick Zemp, and Municipal Clerk Donna Iskra

Call to Order

Chair Kleckley called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

Approval of Minutes - August 20, 2024

Mr. Ballard moved to accept the minutes of August 20, 2024. Mr. Griffith seconded this motion, which was approved unanimously.

Election

- A. Nominations from the floor for Chair: Mr. Ballard made a motion to re-appoint Mr. Kleckley as Chair. The motion was seconded by Mr. Griffith, which was approved unanimously.
- B. Nominations from the floor for Vice-Chair: Mr. Rasmussen made a motion to re-appoint Mr. Griffith as Vice-Chair. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ballard, which was approved unanimously.

Old Business

Update on Moratorium and Capital Improvements

Utilities Director Patrick Zemp reported construction on Pump Station A and B is complete. The Force main project is underway and should be wrapping up in the near future. The carrying capacity to get wastewater to the plant is greater than the plant capacity at this time. The moratorium has been lifted and numerous requests made through the decision tree for hook up have been approved. The strip mall tied in this week, and we are watching the flow rate for usage. Mr. Zemp noted new construction homes cannot install a septic tank if sewer is available.

Meter Readers

Mr. Zemp reported the additional grant monies have been received and expects the total of \$1,000,000. should cover the entire project. The Town is prepared to cover any shortfall. RFP's should go out in the next few weeks. The system will allow for automated and more frequent billing, determine # of gallons used and report any usage abnormalities. No plans on doing a pilot program as the contractors should have language built into their bids, ensuring the meters are functioning properly.

New Business/Open Discussion

No New Business

Open Discussion

Mr. Rasmussen requested Committee Members term expirations and upcoming meeting dates. These were given to the committee.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Ballard made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Griffith. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

APPROVED BY THE WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE

Donna Iskra, Municipal Clerk April 15, 2025