

Water and Sewer Committee Meeting

October 19, 2021

10:00 A.M.

Edisto Beach Town Hall

Present: Chairman Jody Kleckley, John David Griffith and Bill Reeside, Committee members. Bill Reeside was presented via Microsoft Teams.

Present Ex Officio: Town Administrator Iris Hill and Utilities Director Patrick Zemp

Absent: Lou Rasmussen (no notice given)

Call to Order: Chairman Jody Kleckley called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. John David Griffith moved to approve the minutes of June 15, 2021, seconded by Mr. Bill Reeside, which was unanimously approved.

New Business

RO Plant Wells – Utilities Director, Patrick Zemp discussed wells seven, eight, and nine with the committee. Mr. Zemp informed that committee that since the completion of the RO Plant in March 2020, there have been pump motor issues with the three listed wells and gave the committee a timeline of the pump motor issues. Mr. Zemp stated that he thought the issue was due to voltage spikes and had contacted Wharton-Smith about the issues. The committee was informed that Wharton-Smith would be installing sine wave filters by March 2022. Chairman Kleckley and Mr. Zemp discussed the warranty of the wells. Town Administrator Hill discussed the current projects and updated the committee on current information regarding well pumps seven, eight, and nine. Ms. Hill informed the committee that Mr. Zemp was starting to see voltage spikes in well seven, similar to the voltage spikes seen before. The committee was also informed that there was a back up motor for well seven if the current motor failed because of electrical issues. Mr. John David Griffith asked if Dominion Energy had been contacted. Mr. Zemp informed Mr. Griffith that he had not contacted Dominion Energy. Administrator Hill asked Mr. Zemp to contact Dominion Energy regarding the power spikes damaging the equipment. Mr. Bill Reeside asked if there were backup motors for wells eight and nine. Ms. Hill informed Mr. Reeside and the committee that the Town only had one backup motor at this time. She also mentioned that all of the motors in the three wells were the same and the backup motor could replace any motor if one went out before well seven. Town Administrator Hill stated that because this was an ongoing issue, she believed Wharton-Smith was responsible for the concerns.

Life Stations A and B Sewer Project – Town Administrator Hill reminded the committee that life stations A and B are at full capacity and discussed the results of system flow monitoring that was collected by American Engineering. Ms. Hill discussed phases and funding that were approved by Town Council to upgrade the pumps at lift stations A and B. Mr. John David Griffith asked for a timeline on the updates and Ms. Hill stated it would be around January 21, 2023. Town

Administrator Hill stated that the Town would know if we receive funding for this project around November 7, 2021.

Town Administrator Hill asked the committee if they would like to start meeting monthly. All members of the committee agreed. The Water and Sewer Committee will now meet on the third Tuesday on every month at 10:00 A.M. at Town Hall, unless told otherwise.

Mr. John David Griffith discussed chlorine levels in the water system with Mr. Zemp. Mr. Griffith asked Mr. Zemp to test the chlorine levels at 3757 Dock Site Road.

Chairman Jody Kleckley discussed fire hydrant placement with Mr. Zemp.

Adjournment

Jody Kleckley moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by John David Griffith and was approved unanimously.

APPROVED BY THE WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE



Angela K. Davis, Municipal Clerk