

TOWN OF SULLIVAN'S ISLAND
WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, June 25, 2020
8:45 a.m.

1. Call to Order & Freedom of Information Act Requirements:

The Water and Sewer Committee of Council met at 8:45 a.m. on Thursday, June 25, 2020 at Town Hall, all requirements of the Freedom of Information Act having been satisfied. Present were Council Committee members Bachman Smith, IV (Chair), Chauncey Clark and Tim Reese. Staff members present were Jason Blanton, Greg Gress and Courtney Sottile. There were no members of the public or media present.

Chair Bachman Smith called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m., and stated the press and public were duly notified pursuant to State Law.

2. Communications/Additional Items from WWTF Manager, Greg Gress

3. Discussions/Motions:

- a. Approval of Minutes- May 28, 2020.

Motion was made by Councilmember Tim Reese, Seconded by Councilmember Chauncey Clark, to approve the Water and Sewer Minutes from May 28, 2020, carried unanimously.

- b. Construction updates as to the Lift Station Conversion Project and Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements: The Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Project is running smoothly. The Lift Station Conversion Project is running smoothly, however there is a slight delay in the schedule mainly due to change orders and an amendment to the project agreement.
- c. Biobot Analytics proposed water testing- This would test the wastewater for some element of the COVID-19. The testing states that COVID-19 is passed through fecal matter, therefore, they can indicate how many people of the population may be infected. The testing would cost anywhere from \$780 to \$1,200 per test and the Town would have to agree to two (2) tests a month for the next two (2) years. The Water and Sewer Committee unanimously agreed not go forward with this testing.
- d. Water demand forecast report- Greg Gress gave a brief update.

- e. Status of CWS rate formula discussions- The Town does not agree with the formula that was used to calculate rates. The Water and Sewer Committee recommended getting advice during Executive Session from Attorney Jim Sheedy.
- f. Comply with Codification Review suggestions as to water shut-offs due to unpaid bills (on hold).

4. **Review of Active and Pending Projects:**

The current status of active and pending projects (a. through h. below) was reviewed.

- a. Wastewater Treatment Plant Retrofit (Construction Phase)
- b. Charleston CPW/ICW Water Main Project
- c. CWS contract revisions
- d. Written Cost Recovery Program
- e. Private Sewer Lateral Policy for I&I Reduction
- f. Pump Stations flood proofing project (contracting phase)
- g. ASR: Aquifer Storage and Recovery (explore use of Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant funds)
- h. Water & Sewer Ordinance review/clean-up

5. **The next Water and Sewer Committee Meeting is scheduled for:** Thursday, July 30, 2020 8:45 a.m. at Sullivan's Island Town Hall.

6. **Adjournment:**

Motion was made by Councilmember Tim Reese, seconded by Councilmember Chauncey Clark, to adjourn at 9:34 a.m., carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Courtney Sottile