



Town of Sullivan's Island, South Carolina
Water and Sewer Committee of Council
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, September 22, 2022

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

The Water and Sewer Committee of Council met at 8:45 a.m. on Thursday, September 22, 2022 at Town Hall, all requirements of the Freedom of Information Act having been satisfied. Present were Council Committee members Bachman Smith, IV (Chair), Scott Millimet, and Gary Visser. Staff members present were Greg Gress, Jason Blanton, and Bridget Welch. There were no (0) members of the public and no members of the 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

a. Construction updates as to the Lift Stations and WWTP

Mr. Gress stated he is still waiting on information before moving to permitting for the rip-rap project. He also mentioned they are still moving forward with the chlorine tablets, but they are getting more expensive and taking longer to get due to supply chain issues.

Mr. Gress then spoke about the trench project that will be starting soon. They will begin with putting up silk fencing but will not begin digging until October. Once completed, it will eliminate the water line that goes through the cemetery.

3. Discussion/Motions:

a. Approval of Minutes- August 4, 2022, Committee Meeting

Motion was made by Mr. Visser, seconded by Mr. Millimet, to approve the Water and Sewer Minutes from August 4, 2022 as submitted, passed unanimously.

b. Begin work on Private Sewer Lateral Policy for further I&I Reduction

Chair Smith mentioned the Frequently Asked Questions they have been compiling regarding Sullivan's Island Private Sewer Lateral Program. This is to help move the I&I Reduction project forward and figure out what to focus on first. There was more discussion about the private side of I&I and different options for moving forward. Mr. Gress presented suggestions for FAQs that would help with drafting the language for the eventual ordinance. There was some discussion about how and where the testing would potentially go. The goal is to not have the sewer plant operating above what is it rated for due to issues with private sewer laterals and having all residents paying for one property's issue. Chair Smith suggested the Committee read through the FAQs and come to the next meeting with questions ready for discussion. One important item that needs to be decided on is the trigger points for the process. Mr. Gress spoke more about how the project will move forward and he plans on modeling it after a system that is currently in place in other cities. The Committee had further discussion about the best way to educate residents, how to implement and execute the process, and who to include in training. Decisions will be made once process is finalized and the Committee has had time to review.

4. Review of Active and Pending Projects:

- a. Wastewater Treatment Plant Retrofit (Close Out)
 - i. Screening of the WWTP
- b. CWS contract revisions
- c. Written Cost Recovery Program
- d. Private Sewer Lateral Policy for I&I Reduction
- e. Pump/Lift Stations flood proofing project (use of rip-rap)
- f. Aesthetic changes to Lift Stations
- g. Update Capital Improvement Plan
- h. Updated rate study

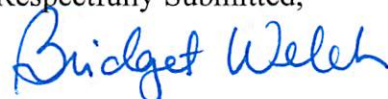
5. Set the date for the next W&S Committee Meeting

- a. The next Sullivan's Island W&S Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, October 27 at 8:45 a.m.

6. Adjourn

Motion was made by Mr. Millimet, seconded by Mr. Visser, to adjourn the Water and Sewer meeting at 9:29 a.m., carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Bridget Welch