



Town of Sullivan's Island, South Carolina
Special Meeting to Inform Council and Residents about Stormwater Outfalls
Meeting Minutes
Friday, November 3, 2023

1. Call to Order & Confirmation of Freedom of Information Act Notice; Confirmation no Actions will be taken

A Special Meeting to inform Council and residents about Stormwater Outfalls was held at 3:00 p.m. on November 3, 2023 at Town Hall, all requirements of the Freedom of Information Act having been satisfied.

Present were: Patrick M. O'Neil, Mayor
Justin Novak, Mayor Pro-Tem
Carl Hubbard, Councilmember
Jody Latham, Councilmember
Scott Millimet, Councilmember
Gary Visser, Councilmember

Staff members present were Town Administrator Andy Benke, Greg Gress, Deputy Administrator Joe Henderson, Bridget Welch, and Max Wurthmann. There were no (0) members of the public and one (1) member of the media present.

Mayor O'Neil called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m., and stated the press and public were duly notified pursuant to State Law.

Mayor O'Neil stated the meeting was to be better informed about the various stormwater outfalls that empty into the marsh.

Town Administrator Andy Benke explained various reasons as to why the outfalls are not properly draining. He had a map to point out different outfall locations. He stated the SC DOT owns the rights-of-way on the Island where the stormwater collection systems are located, unless it is a Town-owned road. Much of the infrastructure was developed in the 1930s and was acquired by the SC DOT in the 1950s. One reason for drainage issues can be attributed to having

larger houses built decreases the number of pervious surfaces. This also creates more run-off to flow through the pipes. The condition of the pipes, including exact location, elevation, and size, is unknown, but they are likely small enough to frequently clog. Nuisance tides are also a contributing factor. Mr. Benke then answered questions from Town Council. Water & Sewer manager Greg Gress made comments and took questions from Town Council.

Council, staff, and meeting attendees left Town Hall at 3:15 p.m.

2. Information Items: Visits to selected Stormwater Outfall Locations

- a. Relocation Meeting to Station 28 ½ - Site Visit to Stormwater Outfall into Marsh
- b. Relocation Meeting to Station 25 - Site Visit to Stormwater Outfall into Marsh
- c. Relocation Meeting to Station 24 - Site Visit to Stormwater Outfall into Marsh
- d. Relocation Meeting to Station 19 - Site Visit to Stormwater Outfall into Marsh
- e. Relocation Meeting to Station 18 ½ - Site Visit to Stormwater Outfall into Marsh
- f. Relocation Meeting to Station 18 - Site Visit to Stormwater Outfall into Marsh
- g. Relocation Meeting to Station 10 - Site Visit to Stormwater Outfall into Marsh

Council, staff, and meeting attendees arrived back at Town Hall at 5:25 p.m.

3. Return to Town Hall: Adjournment

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Novak, seconded by Mr. Millimet, to adjourn the Special Meeting to Inform Council and Residents about Stormwater Outfalls at 5:26 p.m., passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Bridget Welch