



**Minutes of the Seabrook Island Utility Commission
May 16, 2018
Town Hall**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bannwart at 9:30 AM.

Commissioners Vancini and Morawski were also present, as were Tommy West and Carmella Montgomery of Hawthorne Services and Chris Houghton of Louis Berger.

The minutes of the April 18, 2018 meeting were approved as submitted.

The minutes of the Special Meeting on April 25, 2018 were approved as submitted.

The financials for April were reviewed. Net income for the month was a negative \$14,520 while net income for the year through April is a positive \$25,433. The request by St. Johns Fire District to eliminate the fire hydrant fees, previously denied by the Utility Commission, was discussed in light of the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff response to SJFD relative to fire hydrant charges by Kiawah Island Utility. ORS has determined that the KIU charges do not violate Public Service Commission rules or regulations. Based on an inquiry from Commissioner Morawski, Commissioner Vancini will review our bond documents to determine if the Utility Commission is precluded from providing free water to an outside entity.

Mr. West reported that plant performance for the month was within permit parameters. Wastewater flow for the month averaged 392,000 gallons per day (gpd) compared to 377,000 gpd for the same period last year. Monitoring well sampling has been completed and results are pending. One of the two pump motors at Pump Station #11 is out of service and has been sent out for repair. The replacement shaft for one of the ground storage tank pumps, recently refurbished, must be shortened to provide necessary clearance. The work will be accomplished within the next week. The water quality consumer confidence report will be included in the next billing cycle.

Mr. West reported that the five-year permit for deep well water withdrawal is due for renewal. Since the deep well was installed, the withdrawal permit has been 258 million gallons per year. DHEC has proposed this capacity be reduced to 115 million gallons per year in the new permit. With the Utility Commission's support, Mr. West will work to keep the permit at the original capacity of 258 million gallons per year.

A motion to go into Executive Session was approved to discuss contractual and legal matters pertaining to additional information submitted by Louis Berger in support of the proposal for the new Management Agreement.

A motion to return to regular session from Executive Session was approved. After review of the proposed contract documents and pricing proposals, Mr. Houghton was requested to consolidate the documents into one draft final contract for further review and action.

There being no further business, upon a motion, second and unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 AM. The next regular meeting of the Commission is scheduled for June 20, 2018 at 9:30 AM.

Date: June 20, 2018

Faye Allbritton, Town Clerk