



Minutes of the Seabrook Island Utility Commission Budget Meeting

May 15, 2024

The meeting was held via Zoom conference call with Zoom link published to the public on the Town's website. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Ferland at 8:30 AM.

Commissioners Present: Ferland, Buchman, Aaron

Other Present: Tommy West from SIUC Management and 2 Woodward & Curran representatives: Fred Rogers and Brian Ravens.

WK Dickson representatives: Bill Young, Angie Mettlen

Harper General Contractors representatives: Justin Jones, Nicholas Onstott

A motion by Aaron and seconded by Buchman to accept the minutes of the April 15, 2024 meeting. Motion approved 3-0.

FINANCIAL REPORT April, by Mr. Ravens

Invoices were approved via email.

We remain within normal variation of the budget for the year.

Financial results for April were reviewed. The key April results and YTD financial results follow.

Net income for the month of April was a surplus of \$ 173,952. During the month the Capital charges were \$18,643. After adjusting for Bond/Notes principal payments and capital, April showed a cash surplus of \$159,299.

On a year-to-date basis, net income is \$442,901 for the month ending April 2024. After adjustments for Capital purchases and debt principal payments, there is a cash surplus of \$81,514.

The audit for 2023 is proceeding and is expected to be completed shortly.

Available Cash as of April 2024, is \$ 3,391,885.

OPERATIONS REPORT April, by Mr. West

SEABROOK WATER RESOURCE FACILITY

Effluent quality continued to meet permit requirements during the month. The daily average flow was 0.461 million gallons per day (MGD). The maximum daily flow was 0.868 million gallons for the month. The average effluent Total Suspended Solids (TSS) was 4 mg/l, and the average effluent Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) was 8 mg/l, indicating excellent process control.

SEABROOK WATER DISTRIBUTION

SIUC delivered 16,338,765 gals of water for the month. The accounted for water received for the month from St Johns 92.29%.

Total effluent & deep well pumped to Seabrook golf courses for irrigation was 15,433 million gallons effluent and 1,321 gallons of deep well. Total effluent and deep well pumped to Oak Point golf course was 6,771 million gallons effluent and 0 gallons deep well.

GENERAL ITEMS

The holding pond's algae bloom is currently subsiding with the recent introduction of Tilapia into the water.

Work is proceeding with the wireless providers to upgrade and repair the coral on top of the water tower. This work is currently scheduled to begin this summer.

SIUC is contracting with IPS to perform an ARC Flash Study of the facility. This study is required to comply with current safety requirements. It is anticipated the study will be completed within the next month.

Pump Station 29's upgrade is currently under way. This pump station serves the Freshfields area.

A request was made to purchase a spare Aerator and Pump.

A motion by Aaron and seconded by Buchman to purchase these items. Motion approved 3-0.

A value engineering process is continuing, trying to reduce the cost of the pond project. The final date of the loan application is June 28, 2024. If that date is not met the approval process will have to be reinitiated with the State. All parties are expediting these efforts.

OLD BUSINESS

Staffing – 2 Field positions are currently open.

Development Updates – Commissioner Ferland advised that he has had conversation with Roger Warren of Kiawah Partners about future expansion plans. The discussions will be ongoing. Also contacted by MUSC concerning their new medical facility's sewer service.

NEW BUSINESS

SIUC will be conducting a study to review the current impact fees charged to new customers. Recommendations will be discussed at the next meeting.

The Town has requested our cooperation/participation with the new committee formed between the Town, SIPOA, and the Club to study common interests on the island. The commissioners agreed to the request.

A motion was made by Buchman and seconded by Aaron at 9:30 to adjourn the open meeting. Motion passed; open meeting was adjourned.

Executive Session was not required.

The next regular meeting of the Commission is scheduled for June 19, 2024, at 8:30 am via Zoom video conference call.

July 9, 2024

Date

Katharine Watkins

Town Clerk