



Minutes
Regular Meeting
5:00 pm, October 13, 2022

Chairman Leonard Bowick called the meeting to order with Commissioner Leonard Bowick, Commissioner George Yeldell, Commissioner Kent Kelly, Office Manager Deborah Peeler, Chief Wastewater Operator Glenn Hill and Chief Water Operator Eddie Brown present.

On a Motion by George Yeldell, seconded by Kent Kelly with all in favor, the Commissioners approved agenda as written.

On a Motion by Kent Kelly, seconded by George Yeldell, the Commissioners approved the September 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes, September 2022 Accounts Payable and the September 2022 Financial Statement as submitted.

Public/Employee Comments:

Deborah Peeler ~ Office Manager:

- Office staff took 14 new deposits for service during the month of September.
- Twenty-one (21) customers were disconnected for non-payment on 9/20/22. Four remain off.
- Overall, operations are running smoothly in the office.

Safety Training – Lisa Willis

- Safety training for the month of October will be hosted by Electricities and the topic will be Lockout Tagout.

James Robinson ~ Superintendent:

- The crew did approximately 45 locates for SC811.
- The crew has been tree trimming in several locations in our service area.
- Kevin Ashley and Nick Bowick attended Water Distribution classes October 3 – 6. We will schedule an exam date for them to obtain their D-certificate soon. Evan Williams has expressed interest in obtaining his C-certificate in water distribution also.
- We had a water leak on a 6-inch line on Peachtree Street Monday, October 10. Kevin Ashley and Nick Bowick came in to repair the leak (holiday). They were assisted by Kevin Edmunds.
- All operations are running smoothly.

Eddie Brown – Chief Water Operator:

- J. Strom Thurmond Lake level started the month of September at an elevation of 325.8 feet and ended the month with an elevation of 326.4 feet.
- The new water treatment plant seems to be running well.

- Fiber communication service has been established to the raw water pump station. Currently, there seems to be no communication issues with the fiber service. Wireless communication service has been installed at the Highway 378 elevated tank as well as the Highway 221 tank. At this point in time, the wireless communication service seems to be working very effectively.
- McCormick CPW is still working with Harper Construction to work out the last few remaining issues with the new treatment plant after having been put into full operation.
- The remaining furniture for the water treatment plant is expected to arrive by the end of October.
- Demolition of the old water treatment plant and reservoir is currently in progress. The 80,000 gallons elevated water tank is set to be tilted over October 11th. Once tilted, the metal will be cut up and disposed of. There is still some soil grading and over seeding of grass seed that remains to be done. All remaining chemicals at the old treatment plant have been removed and disposed of properly.
- The Highway 221 elevated tank has been put into service. Currently, there seems to be no issues after having put the elevated tank into service.
- Overall, operations are running smoothly.

Glenn Hill ~ Chief Waste Water Operator:

- We have received our letter of acceptance from Twin Chimney to take our sludge. DHEC wants more paperwork.
- Our annual DHEC inspection went well.
- Our Lab Recertification went well.
- About 80% of our right of ways have been cut.
- Overall, operations are running smoothly

Cheryl Daniels ~ General Manager:

- Matt Phillips of McKinley Cooper will present the audit at the November meeting.
- Herald Office Solutions is working with us to get a more functional work station in the control room at the water plant. The furnishings are scheduled to arrive by the end of the month.
- Demolition of the old water plant is complete.
- Demolition of the old water tank is complete.
- Demolition of the 706 East Augusta Street property is complete.
- A monthly progress meeting was held on Thursday, October 6, with Harper Construction, GMC Engineering and CPW for the Rocky Creek WWTP project. (agenda attached as information)

Comments:

Commissioner Kent Kelly would like to look at the possibility of providing Natural Gas in the next few years. It was mentioned that the former General Manager had a study done regarding the feasibility.

At 5:15 p.m. Kent Kelly made a motion which was seconded by George Yeldell and approved by all to adjourn the meeting with no further business.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Peeler
Office Manager