

Minutes Regular Meeting 5:00 pm, September 8, 2022

Chairman Leonard Bowick called the meeting to order with Commissioner Leonard Bowick, Commissioner George Yeldell, Commissioner Kent Kelly, General Manager Cheryl Daniels, Office Manager Deborah Peeler, Electric Superintendent JR Robinson and Chief Wastewater Operator Glenn Hill present.

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

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

Public/Employee Comments:

Deborah Peeler ~ Office Manager:

- Office staff took 7 new deposits for service during the month of August.
- Nineteen (19) customers were disconnected for non-payment on 8/22/22. Five remain off.
- On August 8 Cheryl and I had a conference call with *Knowb4* to discuss their platform to protect the company from cyber threats.
- We had an incident report with local authorities in regards to damage to an electric meter reported by the customer.
- Billing was late being mailed due to the water meter project. Additional time was needed for a more comprehensive review of customer water meter information.
- Overall, operations are running smoothly in the office.

Safety Training - Lisa Willis

• Safety training for the month of September will be Electrical Safety.

James Robinson ~ Superintendent:

- The crew did approximately 45 locates for SC811.
- Crew cleared 104 work orders during the month of August.
- Kevin Ashley and Nick Bowick will be attending Water Distribution classes to obtain their certifications October 4 7. Classes are offered through SC Rural Water Association.
- All operations are running smoothly.

Glenn Hill ~ Chief Waste Water Operator:

- We got our slope mower back from J&E Equipment on 9/2. We have not had a chance to test it yet.
- We are still waiting on the TCLP Sludge sample for Twin Chimney landfill.
- Everything is going well with the plant upgrade so far.
- We are scheduled to have our annual DHEC plant inspection on 9/8/22.
- Overall, operations are running smoothly

Cheryl Daniels ~ General Manager:

- Most of the furnishings for the water plant have been received. Herald Office Solutions is working with us to get a more functional workstation in the control room.
- Open house has been postponed.
- Eddie Brown has been hired as the new Chief Water Plant operator. We are working with SCDHEC, SC Rural Water, and Goldie & Associates to get the paperwork and procedures in good order.
- SCRWA is helping with the corrective action plan needed for the consent order we are under with SCDHEC.
- Demolition of the old water plant is in process. Building is down, but all work is not complete at this time.
- The new tank on Hwy. 221 was placed in service a couple of weeks ago.
- Turnipseed Engineers has been writing a grant proposal for CPW to be submitted to SC Rural Infrastructure Investment Program. We are proposing improvements at the raw water pump station and bar screen installation. David Tyre is hand delivering on Monday.
- Asbestos abatement has begun on the property at 706 East Augusta Street. Demolition should begin this week.
- Still working on communications at the lake. WC Tel has completed their portion and we are waiting on Southern Flow.

Comments:

Customer had the following questions for the commissioners:

- 1. Why were there 2 lines for WATER/SEWER on the bill?
- 2. Why are the electric costs rising again?

At 5:24 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