

A regular meeting of the James Island Public Service District Commission was held at 7:00 p.m. on January 26, 2009, in the Conference Room of the District Offices, 1739 Signal Point Road, James Island, South Carolina.

Present at the meeting were the following members of the Commission: June Waring, Chair, who presided; Donald Hollingsworth, Inez BrownCrouch, Eugene Platt, Karen Clark Thompson, Rod Welch and Gene Woodall.

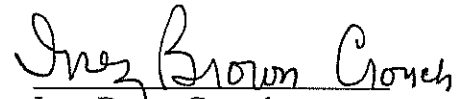
Also present were: Robert Wise, District Manager; Tamara Eberhart, Administrative Assistant; Chris Seabolt, Fire Chief and Matt Rhoton, Deputy Fire Chief.

Ms. Waring called the meeting to order.

Chaplain of the day, Reverend Bill Youngblood (Coastal Crisis Chaplaincy), led the invocation followed by the pledge to the flag of the United States of America.

1. The Freedom of Information Act – In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of this meeting and its agenda were provided to all news media and persons requesting notification.
2. Roll was called.
3. Oral and Written Petitions – none.
4. Approval of Minutes
  - A. **Mr. Platt moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Commission meeting of January 12, 2009, seconded by Mr. Hollingsworth. The motion carried unanimously.**
5. District Management Report
  - A. Mr. Wise reminded the Commission Officers of their quarterly meeting with the management team on January 29, 2009, at 9 a.m.
  - B. Mr. Wise recommended that the District change its general fund banking relationship from Bank of America to First Citizens Bank and change the proprietary fund banking relationship from Wachovia to BB&T. Reasons mentioned for the change were better interest rates on deposits and lower service fees. **Mr. Welch moved to accept staff's recommendation to change its relationship of the general fund banking portion from Bank of America to First Citizens Bank and change the proprietary fund banking portion from Wachovia to BB&T, seconded by Mr. Hollingsworth. Mr. Platt abstained to preclude the possibility of a conflict of interest. The motion carried unanimously.**
  - C. Mr. Wise reported that the higher expenditures are due to the three payroll periods in the month of December.
  - D. Mr. Wise thanked Chief Seabolt and Deputy Chief Rhoton for their part in hosting the recruit school. Deputy Chief recognized the recruits as: Firefighter Justin Ellis (winner of the Captain Leslie J. Colna award for Academic Excellence); Firefighter Brian Adams; Firefighter Edward Gamard; Firefighter Ronald Henderson (transferred from Solid Waste) and Firefighter Todd Sigler, (nominated for the "Pride of the Battalion" award by the instructors for outstanding leadership). The Commission congratulated the recruits (audience applauded).
  - E. Mr. Welch asked about the increase in the annual and sick leave for December. Mr. Wise stated that the annual leave is consistent with the year-to-date information and that he would research the sick leave information.
  - F. Mr. Wise reminded the Commission about the Coastal Crisis Chaplaincy's banquet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, January 27, 2009, and asked those interested to confirm their attendance with Chief Seabolt tonight.

6. Committee Reports
  - A. Ms. BrownCrouch reported that the Administrative Committee met today and that she plans to meet individually with each Commissioner concerning their assigned goals.
7. Unfinished Business – none.
8. New Business
  - A. Ms. Waring encouraged Mr. Woodall to meet with Mr. Wise concerning the Emergency Preparedness & Safety Committee.
9. Correspondence and/or Newspaper Articles – none.
10. Oral and Written Petitions – none.
11. **Mr. Hollingsworth moved to adjourn, seconded by Ms. BrownCrouch. The motion carried unanimously.**
12. Ms. Waring adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

  
Inez BrownCrouch  
Secretary

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