

A regular meeting of the James Island Public Service District Commission was held at 7:00 p.m. on December 14, 2009, in the conference room of the District offices located at 1739 Signal Point Road, James Island, South Carolina.

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

Also present were: Robert Wise, District Manager; Tamara Eberhart, Administrative Assistant; Susan Gladden, Deputy Manager/CFO; Sarah Haig, Assistant Financial Officer; Chris Seabolt, Fire Chief and Jimmy E. Needham, CPA, PA, District Auditor.

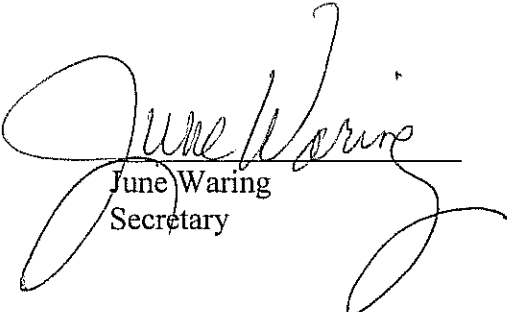
Mr. Hollingsworth called the meeting to order.

Captain William Green (Fire Department), 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
 - A. Robert Schurmeier, 706 Creekside Drive, stated that the Commission and Mr. Wise made a good choice in selecting Landmark Construction Company and they are very neat. Mr. Schurmeier asked when the project would be done. Mr. Wise stated that they are still hoping to have it completed in March.
4. Approval of Minutes
 - A. **Ms. BrownCrouch moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Commission meeting of November 9, 2009, seconded by Ms. Waring. The motion carried unanimously.**
5. District Management Report
 - A. Mr. Wise reported that the Schooner Road project began on November 18th and thanked Mr. Schurmeier for his compliments about Landmark Construction Company.
 - B. Mr. Wise stated that the calendars placed on the Commission's desk was provided by the Safety Committee and were also given to all of the employees.
 - C. Mr. Wise mentioned the updated employee photos on the conference room wall. Mr. Wise recognized Chief Glick, seated in the audience, for 30 years of service and asked Mr. Platt to read into the record the names of the Service Award recipients. Mr. Platt announced the names of the 2009 Service Award Recipients as: Thomas B. Glick, 30 years; Dexter Prioleau, 25 years; Vance Dawson, 25 years; Ronald Hill Jr., 20 years; Jerome Heyward, 20 years; Robert Austin, 15 years; Steve Aden, 10 years; Robert Wise, 10 years; Chris Seabolt, 10 years; Matthew Nix, 5 years; Tamara Eberhart, 5 years; Susan Gladden, 5 years and Jeff Cohen, 5 years.
Ms. BrownCrouch commended the event and stated that the employees' moral was outstanding. Mr. Hollingsworth expressed that the event was very enlightening and very well planned and executed. Mr. Platt shared that the event was memorable to include the fellowship and food.
 - D. Mr. Wise reported that there has been an 8.3% reduction in kilowatt hours and almost a 10% reduction in gasoline. Diesel fuel only had a .01 % reduction and Mr. Wise is looking at a pilot study for route management to help find fuel savings. Overall, the 5% to 10% goal was achieved.
 - E. Mr. Wise stated that the legislature declared Christmas Eve a holiday and it is something for the District to contend with yearly. The Solid Waste department will work on December 28th and will be compensated with another annual leave day.
 - F. Mr. Wise reported that the United Way campaign was recently raised from \$1,524 to \$2,574, due to two recent contributions.

- G. Mr. Wise reported that James Prioleau Road will be closed, which will not allow us access to those residents for solid waste collection. Nearby, Mary Roper Lane will remain open but will require hold harmless agreements from those residents because it is a private road. Service to residents will continue this Friday via Mary Roper Lane.
- H. Mr. Wise reported that the numbers are on target overall and there have been a tremendous amount of events.
- I. Chief Seabolt introduced and welcomed Firefighter Kolby Freeman of 2nd Battalion who recently graduated from recruit school. Firefighters Oldman and Bakula are also new hires. Chief Seabolt announced that he graduated from Southern Wesleyan University with a Bachelor Degree in Management and thanked the District for its support. Discussion followed.
- J. Mr. Platt commended Mr. Wise for making arrangements for the December 28th solid waste collection.
6. District Financial Statement and Audit
- A. Mr. Wise expressed that it is a joy to work with Mr. Needham and thanked Ms. Gladden and Ms. Haig for their hard work. Mr. Wise stated that he is again pleased with the outcome. Mr. Needham expressed that it is always a pleasure to work with the staff on the audit. Mr. Needham gave a thorough review of the financial statement and audit. Discussion followed. The Commission thanked Mr. Needham for his report.
7. Committee Reports
- A. Mr. Platt reported on the recent Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Council of Governments meeting.
8. Unfinished Business – none.
9. New Business
- A. Mr. Platt suggested that the Wastewater Committee meet early in 2010 to address the wastewater fund's high fees charged by Charleston Water Systems. Mr. Welch explained that there will be a Committee meeting along with the rate study in which the issues will be addressed. Discussion followed.
- B. Ms. Clark Thompson gave an update on the injunction to stop the Harborview Road project. The Town and the County have until December 18, 2009, to reach a compromise.
10. Correspondence and/or Newspaper Articles – none.
11. Oral and Written Petitions
- A. Robert Schurmeier, 706 Creekside Drive, stated that it was very interesting listening to the Auditor and that he is a good Auditor.
- B. Mr. Hollingsworth wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.
12. **Mr. Welch moved to adjourn, seconded by Ms. BrownCrouch. The motion carried unanimously.**
13. Mr. Hollingsworth adjourned the meeting at 8:44 p.m.

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June Waring
Secretary