

A regular meeting of the James Island Public Service District Commission was held at 7:00 p.m. on March 14, 2011, 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, David Engelman, Eugene Platt, June Waring, Gene Woodall and Rod Welch.

Also present were: Robert Wise, District Manager and Tamara Eberhart, Administrative Assistant.

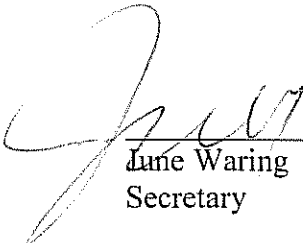
Mr. Hollingsworth called the meeting to order.

Chaplain Youngblood 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. Faye Lohr, 1255 Oakcrest Drive, spoke to Charleston County's upcoming ban on plastic bags, the Town of Moncks Corner's pilot program that worked well and other ways that governmental agencies are cutting back.
4. Approval of Minutes
 - A. **Ms. Waring moved to approve the Ways & Means Committee meeting minutes of February 28, 2011, seconded by Ms. BrownCrouch. The motion carried unanimously.**
 - B. **Ms. Waring moved to approve the Regular Commission meeting minutes of February 28, 2011, seconded by Mr. Woodall. The motion carried unanimously.**
 - C. **Ms. BrownCrouch moved to approve the Ways & Means Committee meeting minutes of March 8, 2011, seconded by Ms. Waring. The motion carried unanimously.**
5. FY 2011-2012 General Fund and Proprietary Budgets 1st Reading – Ordinance No. 2011-01
 - A. **Ms. BrownCrouch moved to adopt the 1st reading Ordinance No. 2011-01(FY 2011-2012 General and Proprietary Fund Budgets), seconded by Mr. Woodall. The motion carried unanimously.**
6. Amendment to Ordinance No. 2010-001 - Wastewater Rate and Fee Schedule
 - A. **Ms. BrownCrouch moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2011-02 amending Ordinance No. 2010-001 Chapter 4, Fees and Charges to increase wastewater rates for retail customers, seconded by Mr. Woodall. The motion carried unanimously.**
 - B. Mr. Wise stated that public hearings will be held on March 28, 2011, at 6 p.m. (Wastewater Rate and Fee Schedule) and 6:30 p.m. (FY 2011-2012 General and Proprietary Fund Budgets).
7. Committee Reports
 - A. Ways & Means – Mr. Hollingsworth reported that the Committee met at 6 p.m. on March 8, 2011, to discuss the budgets presented by management staff.
8. Unfinished Business – none.

9. New Business
 - A. Mr. Hollingsworth thanked Mr. Engelman for the letter he wrote to the Editor of *The Post and Courier* and he thanked Mr. Platt for going to the Town regarding the voting machine resolution. Discussion followed.
 - B. Ms. BrownCrouch spoke to the Town's Keep James Island Beautiful event held on March 12, 2011. She invited the Commission to attend the next event to be held on April 8, 2011. Mr. Wise stated that the District's Solid Waste Department assisted in the cleanup by collecting garbage and the District displayed the event on its informational signs.
 - C. Mr. Hollingsworth stated that a Wastewater vehicle was wrecked and he asked Mr. Wise for a status update. Mr. Wise reported that the insurance adjuster viewed the vehicle today and the employee involved in the accident is no longer with the District. Discussion followed.
 - D. Mr. Wise mentioned the conference room's new digital recording system and offered to make recordings of the meetings public at the Commission's request.
 - E. Ms. BrownCrouch suggested going to once a month Commission meetings. Discussion followed. The majority of the Commission agreed to continue having meetings twice a month.
10. Correspondence and/or Newspaper Articles
 - A. Mr. Hollingsworth referenced packet articles.
 - B. Mr. Platt urged one Commissioner and possibly one senior level staff member to attend the SPD's Annual Leadership seminar on May 24, 2011.
 - C. Mr. Hollingsworth reminded the Commission to file their disclosure forms before the April 15th deadline.
11. Oral and Written Petitions
 - A. Robert Schurmeier, 706 Creekside Road, commended the Commission, Mr. Hollingsworth and Mr. Wise on doing a super job. He also invited everyone to attend the 6th Annual Lighthouse Point neighborhood picnic on April 2, 2011 (1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Mr. Schurmeier further requested the ladder truck at the event.
 - B. Faye Lohr, 1255 Oakcrest Drive, expressed that she trusts the Commission and District Manager to run and manage the District; therefore she normally does not attend the meetings and when she does attend, it is because she has something to say.
 - C. Ms. BrownCrouch proposed that the District begin composting. Mr. Wise stated the startup costs would be the biggest hurdle but the idea is being considered. Discussion followed.
 - D. Mr. Hollingsworth announced that James Island Lodge #396 provides an annual \$1,000 scholarship for interested students.
12. **Ms. Waring moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Woodall. The motion carried unanimously.**
13. Mr. Hollingsworth adjourned the meeting at 7:49 p.m.

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June Waring
Secretary