

A regular meeting of the James Island Public Service District (JIPSD) Commission was held at 7:00 p.m. on September 28, 2020, at James Island Town Hall located at 1122 Dills Bluff Road, James Island, South Carolina.

Present at the meeting were the following members: Sandi Engelman, Chair, who presided; Inez BrownCrouch, Marilyn Clifford, Alan Laughlin, Eugene Platt, Meredith Poston, and Kathy Woolsey.

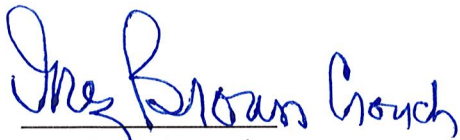
Also present were: Tim Muller, District Attorney; Tamara White, Administrative Services Manager; Tom Glick, Deputy Fire Chief; Lisa Kluczinsky, Human Resources Director; Steve Aden, Director of Fleet Services; Walter Desmond, Director of Solid Waste Services; Stephanie Boatwright, Administrative Assistant II and David Major, Facilities Maintenance Specialist.

Ms. Engelman called the meeting to order.

Mr. Platt led the invocation, followed by the pledge to the flag of the United States of America.

1. The Freedom of Information Act Report – 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. The roll was called.
3. Oral and Written Petitions – none
4. Consent Agenda
 - A. **Ms. BrownCrouch moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Ms. Woolsey. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.**
5. July & August District Management Reports
 - A. Ms. White reported the following:
 - The GO Bond has been completed and the District received \$8.5 million (minus \$200K in closing fees) that will be used to reimburse the fund balance and help pay for the construction of the new fire station.
 - The District will be receiving FEMA money from Hurricane Dorian and is expecting \$350K of Federal money and awaiting confirmation of \$100K from the State.
 - The District resumed disconnects in September. There are 286 accounts set to be disconnected for September, which is similar to disconnects pre-Covid.
 - Chief Seabolt, Jim Driscoll, CD Rhodes and the County are going over calculations regarding the reassessment. There will be no changes to taxes nor will they be raised. More information is forthcoming.
 - The lobby will remain closed until Covid improves and operations continue to run successfully.
 - The District is hosting a blood drive at Signal Point on October 1st from 8 to noon.
6. New Fire Station 1 Update
 - A. Chief Glick gave an update on the status of the new fire station.
7. Motion to Adopt Resolution by the JIPSD Commission to Oppose Dominion Energy Rate Hike Request
 - A. **Mr. Platt moved to adopt the resolution to oppose Dominion Energy rate hike request. Ms. Poston seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.**

8. Motion to Approve the Employee Policy Manual
 - A. **Ms. Clifford moved to approve the employee policy manual. Ms. BrownCrouch seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.**
9. Committee and JIPSD Representative Reports - none
10. Unfinished Business – none
11. New Business – none
12. Correspondence and/or Newspaper Articles – none
13. Oral and Written Petitions
 - A. Ronald Ladson, 1913 Grimball Road, said that a few residents wanted to know about the July 1, 2020 rate increase.
 - B. Nathan Johnson, 862 Seafarer Way, spoke about the hard work the employees of JIPSD has provided throughout COVID-19 and would like the Commission to consider offering the employees hazard pay for their dedication as essential workers.
14. Executive Session – none
15. **Mr. Woolsey moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Poston. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.**
16. Ms. Engelman adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.



Inez BrownCrouch
Secretary
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