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MINUTES OF THE
ANDERSON REGIONAL JOINT WATER SYSTEM
August 16, 2017

LET THE MINUTES SHOW THAT THE MEDIA WERE NOTIFIED OF THIS MEETING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SOUTH CAROLINA FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT.

A QUORUM OF THE BOARD IS PRESENT.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Douglas Locke, Broadway; Dyke Spencer, Powdersville; Jeff Caldwell, City of Anderson; Benjie McGill, City of Clemson; Duane Rogers, Big Creek; Dwight Edwards, West Anderson; David Rogers, Town of Williamston; Dennis Chastain, Homeland Park Water; Mitch Ellenburg, Belton-Honea Path; Billy Peele, Starr-Iva; Phillip Mishoe, Town of Central

ABSENT: Town of Pendleton, Sandy Springs

OTHERS PRESENT: Scott Willett, ARJWS; Kendall Cleary, ARJWS; Tommy Phillips, Broadway; Jodi Merritt, ARJWS; Lisa Evatt, ARJWS; Eddie Makison, ARJWS; Bryan Bates ARJWS; Aylissa Damson, ARJWS; Alton Boggs, Big Creek; Scott Banks, Clemson University; Gordon Brush, Powdersville; Steve Wilson, West Anderson; Jacky Stamps, Hammond;

Chairman Dwight Edwards called the Board meeting of Anderson Regional Joint Water System to order 11:54 a.m. on August 16, 2017.

Chairman Edwards opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Willett announced that ARJWS had some personnel changes with Lisa Evatt taking Ann Gates' position. He announced Frank Morris' upcoming retirement after 36 years at the end of September. Mr. Willett also announced that ARJWS has two water treatment plant trainee positions open. Mr. Bates explained the hiring process for water treatment plant candidates. Mr. Bates also explained once the ozone facility is in effect all operators will need to be "A" certified.

There were no public comments.

Mr. McGill made a motion to approve the June 21, 2017 minutes and Mr. Spencer seconded. Motion carried.

I. Consent Calendar (Old Business)

1. None

II. Items requiring immediate action

1. None

III. Discussion (New Business)

1. System Financing

Mrs. Cleary explained that ARJWS started the audit for fiscal year 2017. Greene, Finney & Horton is performing the audit and the report should be complete before the October Board meeting. Mrs. Cleary notified the Board they have the fiduciary duty to report any fraud they suspect to either Mrs. Cleary, Mr. Bates, or Greene, Finney & Horton.

2. Executive Director's Report (Oral)

Mr. Willett announced there is an opportunity to refund the 2012A outstanding bond. Refunding these bonds at a lower interest rate will have a net saving of approximately \$80,000 per year. Mr. Willett also proposed that in this same issuance ARJWS issue additional bonds to fund the source water agreement balance that is due in 2018 of approximately two million dollars. The net effect of both of these issuances would be immaterial to the O&M budget. This was opened to the Board for discussion. Mr. Scott Willett stated that he would have a financial advisor in the next meeting to accept questions. Mr. Peele requested authorization to pursue the refunding. Mr. Rogers made a motion. Mr. Caldwell seconded. The motion carried.

Mr. Willett made a statement on the reallocation study and informed the Board it's still a few years out.

IV. Informational Reports

1. Financial Reports
2. Administration Report
3. Operations and Maintenance Report

Mr. Bates spoke on water quality and water quantity. The MIB and Geosmin numbers were high for June but still under the detection threshold leaving the plant.

4. Engineering Report

These reports are for information and for each member to review as written. A copy of each report is attached to the file copy of these minutes.

V. Adjournment

With no further business Mr. Mishoe made a motion to adjourn at 12:47 p.m. and Mr. Caldwell seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Billy Peele
Starr Iva Water District

The next meeting of the Board will be 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, October 18, 2017.