

**MINUTES
TAYLORS FIRE & SEWER DISTRICT
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
NOVEMBER 17, 2015**

A special called meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held at the District Office in the Board Room, 3335 Wade Hampton Blvd., Taylors, South Carolina at 4:30 pm.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mark A. J. Rea Jr., Commission Chairman
Douglas L. Wavle, Commission Vice Chairman/Secretary
Paul Bowen, Commission Treasurer

STAFF PRESENT

Samantha Bartow, Director of Sewer Services	Stephanie Hackler, Bookkeeper
Gary Cantrell, TV Crew Leader	Mitchell Merrell, Cleaning Crew Leader
Alicia Jenkins, Administrative Assistant	Chris Powell, Construction Crew Leader

OTHERS PRESENT:

Tim Anderson (SK Builders), Michael Burns (Greenville News), Stacey Flax (ReWa Customer Service/Contract Manager), Gary Gilliam (ReWa Commission Chairman), Danny Holliday (ReWa Commissioner), Tim Kalliainen (SK Builders), J.D. Martin (ReWa Commissioner), Ray Overstreet (ReWa Commissioner), Richard Pace (WRW), Ryan Philman (ReWa Engineer), Rivers Stilwell (Nelson Mullins), Greg Wright (ReWa Engineering Manager)

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Rea at 4:30 pm. Chairman Rea stated that the media outlets who requested notification of this monthly meeting were notified via door posting, email, website, Facebook, and Twitter.

A lengthy discussion was held between the Boards of Taylors Fire and Sewer District and Renewable Water Resources (ReWa) in reference to recent issues of I&I in the combined collection systems, and how the mitigation and remediation of said issues can be accomplished in the best and most expedient manner.

Chairman Rea stated that there have been several complaints over recent overflows at ReWa's manholes 850-191 and 850-192 in the Taylors District in light of the recent heavy rain and extra stress that has been put on the system. Chairman Rea also went on to say that Taylors acknowledges that there are I&I issues and that Taylors is attempting to deal with those issues in the most expedient manner according to the 15 year intergovernmental agreement that was submitted to ReWa. Chairman Rea expressed that Taylors wanted to find out what it can do jointly with its counterpart entities to best remediate the I&I and overflow issues, while letting some of the new development in the Taylors District move forward so that the Taylors District can grow and increase its tax base. Chairman Rea expressed that increasing the tax base is vital to Taylors because it is the only way Taylors pays its revenue and operating expenses. Chairman Rea asked if there were any open comments from ReWa's Board.

ReWa Commission Chairman Gary Gilliam stated that ReWa was there to listen. Chairman Rea stated that Taylors has been working diligently according what was submitted in the 15 year

intergovernmental agreement and that Taylors was on schedule with the 15 year agreement. A brief discussion was then held regarding the Shelly Lane Right-off-Way issue, a major source of I&I for Taylors. Chairman Rea stressed that because right-of-way documents have not been obtained from some homeowners on Shelly Lane, Taylors does not have permission to get on to the properties and do the needed repairs, which would directly remediate some of the I&I issues. Chairman Rea also expressed that his main concern was how Taylors could get new development moving forward as soon as possible, while at the same time addressing the I&I issue.

Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle stated that Taylors has been working diligently in one of the problem areas, which is the 6 mini system. A brief discussion was then held regarding the next mini system that needed to be worked in to handle the I&I issue according to the Taylors 15 year intergovernmental agreement with ReWa along with the location of certain flow monitors. After the brief discussion, Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle suggested that the 15 year agreement needed to be publicly changed in terms of which mini system was next to work on in order to remediate the I&I issue.

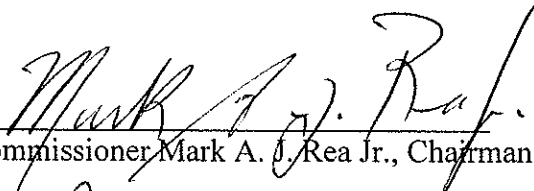
Chairman Rea proposed to the ReWa Board that Taylors will present to them an interim plan in draft format of I&I reduction by Christmas 2015 holiday and an additional six month detailed plan for future I&I reduction so that new development in Taylors could continue. ReWa Commission Chairman Gilliam stated that Taylors indeed needed a plan to present to them before ReWa would commit to doing anything. ReWa Commission Chairman Gilliam stated that this I&I issue is not solely a Taylors issue. ReWa Commission Chairman Gilliam stated that ReWa serves 18 Subdistricts and those Subdistricts have encountered the same I&I issues and have found solutions to those problems. ReWa Commission Chairman Gilliam also went on to state that ReWa would need a detailed plan presented to them to see what I&I Taylors plans on taking out of their system and that ReWa does not have a problem issuing capacity permits as long as the I&I is taken out of the system to allow the capacity to go through. Chairman Rea again stated that Taylors would present to ReWa an interim draft plan of I&I reduction by the Christmas holiday. ReWa Commission Chairman Gilliam stated that the ReWa Board would be the ones to make the decision on the plan and that the ReWa Board would view the plan once it's received. Chairman Rea reminded the ReWa Board that the only way Taylors receives their revenue is to allow new developers to build and that Taylors receives tax money from that. ReWa Commission Chairman Gilliam stated that was not the only option for Taylors as far as receiving revenue and that there were other ways of generating revenue that Taylors has not opted to try yet. ReWa Commissioner J.D. Martin stated that majority of other Districts charge a special fee and a usage fee and have obtained financing to generate more revenue. Director Bartow briefly explained to the ReWa Board the financing options explored by Taylors, including a sewer user fee which went into effect in 2009. A brief discussion was held on even more options to explore to generate more revenue.

ReWa Commission Chairman Gary Gilliam expressed that ReWa would help Taylors in any way they can to remediate the I&I issue that does not jeopardize other Subdistricts' relationships with ReWa. ReWa Commission Chairman Gilliam stated for Taylors to get the plan to the ReWa Board, let them review it, and the Board will get back to Taylors once it has been reviewed. ReWa Commissioner J.D. Martin suggested that Taylors splitting up mini system 6 into smaller sections would aid in Taylors documenting more reduction since mini system 6 is bringing in 300 million gallons of infiltration into the system. ReWa Commission Chairman Gilliam stated that it is hard to prove additional capacity when there are overflows now and that Taylors needs to come up with a plan that

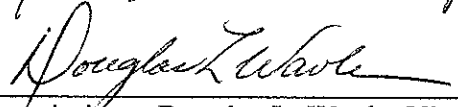
works for everyone. ReWa Commission Chairman Gilliam stated ReWa would work with Taylors in the I&I reduction process as long as there is a commitment in place to meet the I&I agreement. Director Bartow stated that the data for the proposed I&I reduction plan was in the hands of Taylors' flow meter contractor. ReWa Commissioner J.D. Martin asked Director Bartow if the contractor's part of the I&I reduction plan was already done. Director Bartow and ReWa then held a brief discussion on the Taylors' access of ReWa's flow data. ReWa Commissioner J.D. Martin stated that Taylors would be covered in ReWa's flow metering data the next day. ReWa Commission Chairman Gilliam asked Chairman Rea to go ahead and start working on the I&I reduction plan and that the ReWa Board members who were present would go back and converse with their other Board members and let them know that there is a plan on its way from Taylors. ReWa Commission Chairman Gilliam then stated that the Board would review the plan and get back with Taylors. Chairman Rea pledged his cooperation and that of the Taylors Board to ReWa. ReWa Commission Chairman Gilliam made the same pledge.

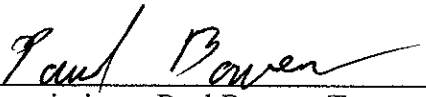
Chairman Rea then asked ReWa's Board if ReWa and Taylors could work together towards an interim plan to stop the overflowing of ReWa's manholes 850-191 and 850-192. The ReWa Board stated that means to stop the overflowing of those manholes were already in progress.

Due to conflict in ReWa's Commissioners' schedules, they had to abruptly leave for another engagement. There being no further business, Treasurer Bowen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Rea seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 5:27 pm.


Commissioner Mark A. J. Rea Jr., Chairman

1-12-16 
Date Minutes Approved


Commissioner Douglas L. Wavle, Vice Chairman/Secretary


Commissioner Paul Bowen, Treasurer

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