

**MINUTES
TAYLORS FIRE & SEWER DISTRICT
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2014**

The regular monthly 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

Bobby Baker, Fire Chief	Clinton Johnson, Lieutenant
Bobby Van Pelt, Assistant Fire Chief	Scott Krawczyk, Firefighter
James Baker, Fire Marshal	Lance Loveridge, Firefighter
Samantha Bartow, Director of Sewer Services	Rick Radzak, Firefighter
Stephanie Hackler, Bookkeeper	Ricky Reed, Battalion Chief
Chad Condrey, Firefighter	Mitchell Traynham, Firefighter
Martyn Dixon, Lieutenant	Zachary Williams, Firefighter
Matthew Hughes, Sergeant	

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jamie Daniel (A.T. LOCKE), Stacey Bevill (Ask and Receive), Scott Taylor (A.T. LOCKE)

Chairman Rea called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

Chairman Rea presented the minutes from the Regular Scheduled Meeting held on August 12, 2014 at 4:30 pm. Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Treasurer Bowen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Rea recognized Director Bartow for the Sewer Reports. Director Bartow stated in the absence of GIS Analyst King, Director Bartow would be presenting the GIS report as written and attached. Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle inquired about the Highway Patrol Safety Meeting that GIS Analyst King reported she had attended. Director Bartow stated that the meeting was part of a weekly safety meeting scheduled by Sewer Technician Burns who is the Safety Coordinator. He scheduled the Highway Patrol to present a safety meeting that included a demonstration of the effects of a roll over wreck. Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle then asked if anyone was signed up to attend the SC811 Safety Summit in Anderson County. Director Bartow replied that no one was currently signed up due to the fact it was a duplicate of the training the employees had already received. There were no further questions concerning GIS Analyst King's report.

Director Bartow presented her report as written and attached. She presented the Permit Fees and the Sewer Maintenance Report for the month of August. Director Bartow discussed the new format of the Sewer Reports. She explained that the reports were a summary of the work orders and service requests completed since July 1, 2014. She also explained that the reports were a work in progress. Director Bartow asked if there were any questions. Chairman Rea asked for clarification on the meeting scheduled with ReWa. Director Bartow stated that the Annual Work Plan would be

presented on September 23, 2014. She also stated there was a follow-up meeting scheduled on September 25, 2014 to further discuss the plan. Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle brought up a question that was posed by the Greenville County Council's Finance Committee during the previous night's meeting. Greenville County Council's Finance Committee voiced concern about the possibility of a millage increase in order to fund the GO Bond. Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle stated we would have to be prepared to answer that question. Director Bartow stated that the application submitted reflected the millage increase that was approved with the FY2015 budget. Bookkeeper Hackler then clarified that the millage increase that was approved and reported in the meeting was associated with the FY2015 budget. The millage is not being increased in order to pay the GO Bond. The GO Bond was discussed after the FY2015 budget was approved. Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle stated that we did answer correctly during the Greenville County Council Finance Committee meeting however it may have been miss understood. Chairman Rea stated that we would clarify the answer. Director Bartow stated that the application we were requested to fill out was actually geared toward Fire Departments that were under Greenville County Council's rule and had to be modified and could have appeared misleading. Chairman Rea pointed out that the application was geared for Districts governed by an appointed Board rather than an Elected Board. Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle praised Director Bartow for the way in which the application was filled out in its entirety. Greenville County Council Finance Committee appreciated the effort put forth. There being no further questions, Treasurer Bowen moved to accept the Sewer Department Reports as written. Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Rea recognized Fire Chief Baker for the Fire Reports. Fire Chief Baker presented his report as written and attached. Fire Chief Baker recognized Mechanic John Coble for 8 years of service, Lieutenant Buckhout for 20 years of service, Firefighter Traynham for 1 year of service, Firefighter Jallas Carter for 1 year of service. Fire Chief Baker announced that Assistant Deputy Solicitor Lucas Marchant's Office notified him that Billy Wayne Burch was convicted of murder and other charges for the February 21, 2012 McConnell Road fire. Fire Chief Baker presented the attached letter from Greenville County Fire Chief Steve Kovalcik in regards to the flash flooding that occurred in Greenville County August 9, 2014 through August 11, 2014. Fire Chief Baker summarized the incident response and fire fatalities reports. Fire Chief Baker announced that Taylors Fire Department will be hosting the next Greenville County Fire Chief's Association Meeting on October 7, 2014. Fire Chief Baker asked if there were any questions. There were no further questions.

Fire Chief Baker recognized Assistant Fire Chief Van Pelt for his report. Prior to giving his report, Assistant Fire Chief Van Pelt recognized B-shift for running a call that involved an unconscious patient at the Granite Apartments. He recognized Lieutenant Dixon, Firefighter Radzak, Firefighter Krawczyk, and Firefighter Williams. Assistant Fire Chief Van Pelt asked that Fire Chief Baker read the attached letter that was submitted by Battalion Chief Reed recognizing the members of B-Shift Engine-1 for a job well done. This group of dedicated employees saved the life of this patient. Assistant Fire Chief Van Pelt presented the report as written and attached. Assistant Fire Chief Van Pelt thanked Director Bartow and Fire Chief Baker for allowing the Department to hold training in the Board Room. Assistant Chief Van Pelt announced that he completed Executive Chief Officer Program through the IAFC Conference. He stated that it took two years to complete the program

and he wanted to thank the Commission Board and Fire Chief Baker for allowing him to attend. There were no questions.

Fire Chief Baker recognized Fire Marshal Baker for his report. Fire Marshal Baker presented his report as written and attached. Fire Marshal Baker also reported that on October 11, 2014 the Fire Department plans to participate in the national community blitz event where an area within the District will be chosen to receive smoke alarms where needed and vital information regarding smoke alarms and fire safety. Fire Chief Baker asked if the smoke alarms that are given out use old nine volt batteries or the new ten year batteries. Fire Marshal Baker stated that the alarms that the Taylors Fire Department purchases use the old nine volt batteries. Fire Marshal Baker also informed Fire Chief Baker and the Board of Commissioners that most other organizations are giving out smoke alarms with the new ten year battery because the battery is sealed and set for ten years and users will not have to worry about replacing the battery in their smoke alarms so often. Fire Marshal Baker informed the Board that Greenville City is teaming up with the Red Cross to give out smoke alarms with the new ten year battery and that this year's budget would not permit the Fire Department to give out the ten year battery alarms. Chairman Rea reported that a local business owner at the Great Wall Chinese Restaurant commented on his appreciation for Fire Marshal Baker's diligence and thoroughness while inspecting his place of business. Chairman Rea commended the Officers and Firemen in the audience and thanked them for the hard work they did when a recent rainstorm caused extensive flooding in the upstate area. Chairman Rea also commended the Officers and Firemen for their professionalism when responding to two fire calls at once. Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle again commended Fire Marshal Baker on a job well done at being able to juggle meetings, inspections, re-inspections, and other required tasks while still being able to be thorough and do an excellent job. There being no further questions or comments, Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle made a motion to accept the Fire Department Reports. Treasurer Bowen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Rea recognized Mr. Scott Taylor for the Financial Reports. Mr. Taylor reviewed his reports as written and attached. Chairman Rea thanked Mr. Taylor for the format and wording of the Financial Report. Chairman Rea stated that the report was easier to read and follow. Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle reported that the Greenville County Council questioned why the District was asking for funds to support an upcoming sewer project when the District already has cash on hand. Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle's response was that Taylors Fire and Sewer District only receives property tax money from Greenville County at the beginning of each year when tax payers are required to have their taxes paid. He also informed the Greenville County Council that our fiscal year runs from July to June and that the District does not receive any new income until the end of November or December, and that in order to pay the bills through the end of the year, the District has to keep that much cash on hand. Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle thanked the accounting staff and those that assist A.T. LOCKE for all that they do. There being no further discussion, Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle moved to accept the Financial Reports as presented. Treasurer Bowen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Chairman Rea commented that many people do not take into consideration how and when the District receives its income and how it has to budget that income accordingly. Chairman Rea then thanked Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle for helping to make the District's cash on hand clear to the Greenville County Council.

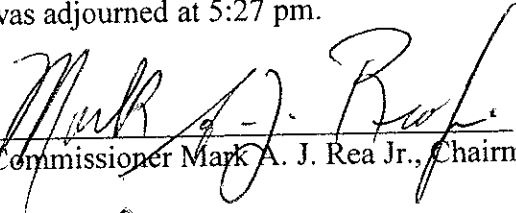
There was no old business to discuss.

Chairman Rea made mention of his current employer and scheduling conflicts and thanked both departments for their continued patience and support. Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle commented that most people do not realize that Commissioners are public servants, there is not one penny goes to their income for the service that they do, and that each Commissioner is there because they choose to be there. He also commented that there is such great satisfaction of being a part of a group like Taylors Fire and Sewer District and that being a Commissioner it is an obligation, but one that has great rewards. Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle then thanked Chairman Rea for his service. Chairman Rea commented that he was proud of the District. Chairman Rea then asked if there was any new business.

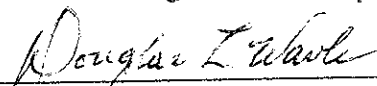
There was no new business to discuss.


Samantha made an announcement about Chris Powell's grandfather who recently passed away.

There being no further business, Vice Chairman/Secretary Wavle made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Treasurer Bowen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 5:27 pm.


Commissioner Mark A. J. Rea Jr., Chairman

Oct 14, 2014
Date Minutes Approved


Commissioner Douglas L. Wavle, Vice Chairman/Secretary


Commissioner Paul Bowen, Treasurer