

Peachtree City Water and Sewerage Authority

March 2, 2020

The Peachtree City Water and Sewerage Authority held its monthly meeting on Monday, March 2, 2020, in the conference room of the John W. Gronner Administrative Center. The following individuals were present: Chairman Vanessa Fleisch, Vice-Chairman Mike King, Treasurer/Secretary Terry Ernst, Board Member Kevin Madden, Board Member Phil Prebor, Ms. Melissa Griffis (attorney with Horne & Griffis), Mr. Dan Davis (ISE), Ms. Leslie Baer (ISE), Ms. Millie Shah (WASA), Mr. Larry McNeil (WASA), Mr. John Dufresne, and Ms. Corinne Kehayes.

Ms. Fleisch called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm, and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Fleisch opened the meeting up for public comment. There were no public comments.

Ms. Fleisch asked for a motion to approve the February 3, 2020 regular meeting minutes. Mr. King made the motion, seconded by Mr. Ernst. Mr. Madden abstained. Motion carried.

There were no reports from the Authority members. As a General Manager report, Mr. Dan Davis stated Mr. Xavier Davis has resigned his position at WASA and his last day is this Friday. The Electrician/Instrumentation Technician position (previously held by Mr. Roman Benitez) was previously advertised and candidate interviews were conducted. As a result, Mr. Chris Wetherbee was hired and began working today.

Mr. Dan Davis discussed the 2020 Long Term Water Quality Monitoring Work Authorization with Integrated Science & Engineering (attached). Mr. Dan Davis stated WASA has a federal NPDES permit to discharge treated wastewater into the streams, and this permit has associated requirements which include monitoring pollutants in the stream. To comply with this permit, the Watershed Protection Plan and Watershed Assessment Plan are complete, and Integrated Science & Engineering has been doing the associated monitoring for 10 years. Every five years there is a biological monitoring component, which is not required this year. The monitoring report is due the following June to the EPD. Mr. Dan Davis stated if the Board would like more information, Ms. Hope Larisey can provide more details of the program. The monitoring includes sampling for a lot of constituents in the water/creeks in Peachtree City. Mr. Dan Davis discussed the fee estimate, stating lab fees have increased over the years, but otherwise the fee has been consistent over the years. Ms. Griffis stated she reviewed the Work Authorization and removed some provisions that were not favorable to the Authority. Mr. King made a motion to approve the 2020 Long Term Water Quality Monitoring Work Authorization with Integrated Science & Engineering, seconded by Mr. Madden. Motion carried.

Mr. King provided the Property Committee Report. The Property Committee is comprised of Mr. King, Mr. Madden, Mr. Dan Davis, and Mr. Larry McNeil. Mr. King stated a month ago the Committee reviewed four major properties owned by WASA:

1. The property at the airport: The property is small; could have a future use as a treatment facility; the property services the City and rate payers well;
2. The property at the administration building: If WASA was looking to expand in the future, this area could provide area for expansion;
3. The property at the old treatment facility behind the Police Station on Hwy 74: The property is not of great use to WASA currently; the old treatment facility infrastructure is still in the ground;

there is no need to sell the property; a possible use is to move the mulch mound over from the City property, possibly on a lease agreement with the City; and


4. The 185-acre site on Hwy 85 North (previously the gun/shooting range): It is thought that the original purpose of the land was for land application (LAS); the land cannot be used for LAS now because there are residential developments around the perimeter of the property; the committee has no interest in selling the property at the current time; the property may prove more valuable in the future.

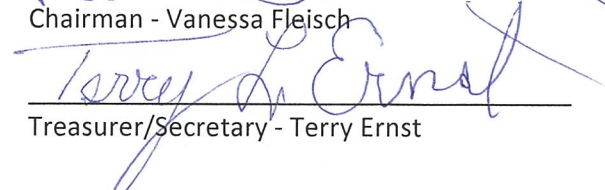
Mr. Madden stated there are some very nice developments around the perimeter of the 185-acre property; the adjacent subdivisions are high-end homes. Mr. Ernst asked to confirm that the Committee's recommendation is that WASA retain all four properties at this time. Mr. King stated there is no need to sell any properties currently, and WASA should hold on to what they currently own. Mr. Dan Davis stated the land at the Larry B Turner (LBT) and Rockaway plant locations may be needed in the future for expansion. Ms. Fleisch asked what it would take to clean-up the property behind the Police Station. Mr. Dan Davis stated the old Flat Creek plant was at that location; when closed, the walls were removed, but the foundation and slab was left in the ground. Mr. Dan Davis stated as long as the site is not holding water it is probably not causing a problem. The cost to remove the foundation is unknown at this time. Mr. Dan Davis stated there is a pump station at the site, as well as a discharge location. Ms. Fleisch asked if years ago when WASA bought the property, should the cost/purchase price have been affected by the tank in the ground. Mr. Dan Davis responded that he was uncertain. Mr. King stated there is a lot of dredge material from Lake Peachtree on the property.

Ms. Fleisch asked for a motion to adjourn into Executive Session for the purpose of Real Estate, Personnel, and Potential Litigation. The motion was made by Mr. Madden and seconded by Mr. Prebor. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned into Executive Session at 6:46 pm.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:17 pm.

Ms. Fleisch asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Mr. Madden and seconded by Mr. King. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm.

  
Chairman - Vanessa Fleisch

  
Treasurer/Secretary - Terry Ernst