

**MINUTES
TAYLORS FIRE & SEWER DISTRICT
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
JUNE 21, 2016**

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

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

STAFF PRESENT

Bobby Baker, Fire Chief	Mitchell Merrell, Cleaning Crew Leader
James Baker, Fire Marshal	Chris Powell, Construction Crew Leader
Robert Van Pelt, Assistant Fire Chief	Mike Townsend, Right-of-Way Crew Leader
Stephanie Hackler, Bookkeeper	Gary Cantrell, TV Crew Leader
Chris Stamey, Cleaning Crew Member	

OTHERS PRESENT:

Sean Kurtz (A.T. LOCKE), Tina Smerdon (A.T. LOCKE)

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

Chairman Wavle stated that there was typo in the agenda. The minutes that would be presented were actually for the meeting held on April 12, 2016 not April 24, 2016. The agenda will be amended. Chairman Wavle presented the minutes from the Regular Scheduled Meeting held on April 12, 2016 at 4:30 pm as well as the Special Called Meeting held on May 24, 2016 at 3:30 pm. Secretary Rea made a motion to accept the minutes from the April 12, 2016 meeting with no corrections. Vice Chairman/Treasurer Bowen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Chairman Wavle made a motion to accept the May 24, 2016 minutes with a minor change noting that there was an error in the last paragraph on page 1. He stated that the minutes indicate that Chairman Rea recognized Ms. Smerdon however it was Chairman Wavle. This change has already been corrected on the official copy. Vice Chairman/Treasurer Bowen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

In the absence of GIS Analyst King and Director Bartow, Chairman Wavle recognized Secretary Rea for the Sewer Reports. Chairman Wavle noted that Director Bartow was absent due to her son having oral surgery. Secretary Rea presented Director Bartow's report as written and attached. He presented the Permit Fees for the months of April and May 2016. Secretary Rea reviewed the Work Order and Service Request summaries from July 1, 2015 to the present date. Secretary Rea detailed the various meetings and training opportunities that the Sewer Department attended in the proceeding months per Director Bartow's report. He also detailed the meetings/training that is scheduled for the coming months. Secretary Rea reported that Taylors Fire & Sewer District has once again been published in a major magazine. The latest publication is the Cityworks InPrint – Spring 2016 Edition. Chairman Wavle stated that it was a good article. Secretary Rea reported that per Director Bartow, Shelly Lane and Ryan Street Pipe Bursting is complete. Secretary Rea reported that IPR Southeast LLC was the

decision until the budget is approved. Secretary Rea stated that there was information on Facebook stating that Greer was hiring. Vice Chairman/Treasurer Bowen stated there was also an article in the Greer Citizen. He asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Chairman Wavle recognized Fire Marshal Baker's report. Fire Marshal Baker presented his report as written and attached. He reviewed the inspections, training/meetings, investigations, and fire prevention measures for the previous months. Fire Marshal Baker announced that the winner of the 2016 Brook Glenn Elementary Art Contest was Amber Margadonna. Fire Marshal Baker stated that the Taylors Explorer Post was disbanded in May 2016 due to lack of participation. Fire Marshal Baker reported that Taylors Fire Department assisted ten families by providing and/or installing a total of forty-seven smoke alarms. Fire Marshal Baker thanked the Commission Board and the Fire Chiefs for allowing him to attend the SC Fire Marshal's Conference. He stated that the classes offered were quality classes with quality instructors. Fire Marshal Baker asked if there were any questions or comments. Fire Marshal Baker added that the Fire Department plans to do a smoke alarm blitz the last few months of the year. He provided the Board with details of the event. With no further questions or comments, Secretary Rea made a motion to accept the Fire Department Reports as written. Vice Chairman/Treasurer Bowen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Wavle recognized Mrs. Tina Smerdon for the Financial Reports. Mrs. Smerdon reviewed the Financial Reports as written and attached. Mrs. Smerdon asked if there were any questions. There were none. There being no further discussion, Secretary Rea moved to accept the Financial Reports as presented. Vice Chairman/Treasurer Bowen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Wavle stated that under old business, the Commission Board would discuss the request from the Taylors Mill regarding the Sewer User Fee. The Commission Board discussed the details concerning the Mill, the controversy there of, and potential solutions. There was discussion that the 2015 tax notice should be left as it is and that the Board will look at fees for future years. Chairman Wavle stated that he is hesitant to make a concession for one entity in the District. Chairman Wavle stated that one suggestion was to task Director Bartow with researching the possibility of consumption based billing on the local water bills. He detailed how that process may look. Chairman Wavle used Shelly Lane as an example of inadequate fees. He stated that the Tap Fees and User Fees paid by the residents on Shelly Lane did not come close to covering the \$160,000 rehab cost for that project. Secretary Rea stated that the Commission Board needs to set a time frame to which they will hold themselves accountable to complete the process by a certain period of time so that the District can implement the changes in a timely manner. Chairman Wavle stated that the tax bills are sent annually. He stated that the decision needs to be made prior to the coming years' tax bills being generated. He stated if consumption is a possibility, we would need to remove the User Fee. Chairman Wavle made a motion that the 2015 tax notice for the Mill would stand for this year and that the Commission Board will make changes in a future meeting for the coming years. Chairman Wavle further moved that the decision would be made prior to or during the August 9, 2016 meeting concerning consumption and Sewer User Fees. He stated that the Commission Board will have a Special Called Meeting in July to discuss further. Vice Chairman/Treasurer Bowen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

There was no new business to discuss.

There being no further business, Secretary Rea made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Wavle seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 pm.

Douglas L. Wavle

Commissioner Douglas L. Wavle, Chairman

August 9, 2016

Date Minutes Approved

Paul Bowen

Commissioner Paul Bowen, Vice Chairman/Treasurer

Mark A. J. Rea Jr.

Commissioner Mark A. J. Rea Jr., Secretary