

Minutes of the Seabrook Island Utility Commission Budget Meeting

April 25, 2024

The meeting was held via Zoom conference call with Zoom link published to the public on the Town's website. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Ferland at 8:40 AM.

Commissioners Present: Ferland, Buchman, Aaron Other Present: Tommy West from SIUC Management and 2 Woodward & Curran representatives: Fred Rogers and Brian Ravens.

A motion by Buchman and seconded by Aaron to accept the minutes of the March 20, 2024 meeting. Motion approved 3-0.

FINANCIAL REPORT March, by Mr. Ravens

Invoices were approved via email.

We remain within normal variation of the budget for the year.

Financial results for March were reviewed. The key March results and YTD financial results follow.

Net income for the month of March was a surplus of \$ 71,340. During the month the Capital charges were \$253,300. After adjusting for Bond/Notes principal payments and capital, March showed a cash deficit of \$175,257.

On a year-to-date basis, net income is \$268,949 for the month ending March 2024. After adjustments for Capital purchases and debt principal payments, there is a cash deficit of \$77,785.

The audit for 2023 is proceeding and is expected to be completed shortly.

Available Cash as of March 2024, is \$ 3,768,783.

OPERATIONS REPORT February, by Mr. West

SEABROOK WATER RESOURCE FACILITY

Effluent quality continued to meet permit requirements during the month. The daily average flow was 0.472 million gallons per day (MGD). The maximum daily flow was 0.482 million gallons for the month. The average effluent Total Suspended Solids (TSS) was 6 mg/l, and the average effluent Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) was 6 mg/l, indicating excellent process control.

SEABROOK WATER DISTRIBUTION

SIUC delivered 15,158,701 gals of water for the month. The accounted for water received for the month from St Johns 91.64%.

Total effluent & deep well pumped to Seabrook golf courses for irrigation was 5,796 million gallons effluent and 0 gallons of deep well. Total effluent and deep well pumped to Oak Point golf course was 2,899 million gallons effluent and 0 gallons deep well.

GENERAL ITEMS

The holding pond is experiencing algae bloom due to the current weather conditions. Efforts are being instituted to remove the algae.

Work is proceeding with the wireless providers to upgrade and repair the coral on top of the water tower. While the repair is being made all antennas must be removed and mounted on a temporary 150-foot tower adjacent to the tank.

SIUC is contracting with IPS to perform an ARC Flash Study of the facility. This study is required to comply with current safety requirements.

OLD BUSINESS

Staffing – 2 Field positions are currently open.

Development Updates – Working with Andell West (New Grocery and Retail) on design overview. Also contacted by MUSC concerning their new medical facility's sewer service.

Holding Pond Project – One proposal was received for the project which was considerably over budget. WK Dickson, the design engineering firm, is working with the contractor to perform value engineering with the goal of reducing the initial proposal to meet the budget of the SIUC. Results of this effort are expected prior to the May meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

SIUC will be conducting a study to review the current impact fees charged to new customers. Recommendations will be discussed at the next meeting.

A motion was made by Buchman and seconded by Aaron at 9:25 to adjourn the open meeting. Motion passed; open meeting was adjourned.

Executive Session was not required.

The next regular meeting of the Commission is scheduled for May 15, 2024, at 8:30 am via Zoom video conference call.

Date

Town Clerk