

FRIPP ISLAND PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT

Minutes: Commission Meeting on April 8, 2008

Present: Richard S. Combes, James L. Parks, Edward F. Hroncich, Gary C. Bond, and Patrick A. Reilly, William N. Woodward

Absent: None

Staff: Marion E. Wilson, Manager
Joshua E. Horton, Fire Chief
Angie Hughes, Recorder

Consultants: None

Guests: Chuck Riley, Kate Hines (FIPOA)

1. Chairman Combes called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.
2. The Commission approved the minutes of the March 11, 2008 Commission meeting, as corrected, upon motion of Mr. Woodward.
3. Committee Reports
 - (a) The Commission reviewed the Manager’s Report for March (*Att A*).
 - (b) The Bridge & Erosion Committee did not meet. Chairman Combes referenced copies of emails (*Att B*) regarding the effects of Hunting Island’s planned beach re-nourishment project on the Fripp Inlet bridge, and introduced a letter from Coastal Science & Engineering (*Att C*) stating that the dredging of sand from the shoal in the Fripp Inlet should not adversely affect the Fripp Inlet Bridge. Chairman Combes requested that Mr. Wilson review the District’s contract with Hussey, Gay, Bell, & DeYoung to determine whether or not it includes setting a baseline for the bridge that can be presented to SCPRT and SC DHEC.
 - (c) Mr. Bond, the Budget & Planning Committee chairman, stated that the Committee met several times to draft preliminary budgets. The Commission agreed to proceed out of order with review of the preliminary FY-2009 draft budgets (*Att D*), by motion of Mr. Parks. Mr. Bond informed the commission that several items affecting the budgets are still unknown, such as the value of a mill, the tax levy increase allowed by law, and a possible BJW&SA increase in water rates, so the preliminary budgets are subject to change. The Commission reviewed and discussed the preliminary draft budgets.
 - (d) The Commission reviewed the Fire Department monthly report for March (*Att E*).
 - (e) The Regulations & Policies Committee did not meet.
 - (f) The Water Committee did not meet.
 - (g) The Wastewater Committee did not meet.
4. There was no old business.

5. New Business.

(a) Mr. Wilson introduced a proposed agreement with South Carolina Electric & Gas for electric service at the WWTP (*Att F*), which would provide the District with a lower electrical rate for the WWTP. The Commission approved the agreement, by motion of Mr. Woodward.

(b) Mr. Wilson introduced a proposal from BRW Construction Group LLC, for the construction of a bio filter for odor control at the central vacuum station at a cost of \$24,964.00 (*Att G*). The Commission accepted the proposal from BRW Construction Group LLC, upon motion of Mr. Woodward.

6. The Commission entertained comments from Kate Hines (FIPOA) and Chuck Riley regarding the FIPOA's annual meeting, the Tarpon road widening and paving project, the bridge maintenance budget, an aerial ladder truck for fire protection, the submerged water line at the Harbor River Bridge, and the proposed Hunting Island beach re-nourishment project.

7. The Commission entered executive session to discuss legal and contractual matters at 11:15 a.m., by motion of Mr. Parks.

8. The Commission resumed open session at 12:45 a.m., by motion of Mr. Woodward.

9. The Commission approved a water tower space lease agreement with Verizon Wireless (*Att H*) as modified and/or approved by the District's legal counsel, by motion of Mr. Woodward.

10. The Commission authorized the Fire Chief to obtain proposals for consulting services for fire protection equipment selection, as it pertains to the proposed Seaglass Condominium development, by motion of Mr. Parks.

11. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m., by motion of Mr. Bond.

Marion E. Wilson
Secretary