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General Manager

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC WORKS**  
**October 22, 2018**

Meeting Location: 301 McCall Street, Greer, SC 29650

**REGULAR SESSION**

Greer Commission of Public Works met in **Regular Session** with Chairman Eugene G. Gibson presiding. The Commissioners of Public Works assembled for their regular meeting at 12:30 PM in the boardroom of the administrative and operations complex.

Commissioners present were: Chairman Eugene G. Gibson, Commissioner Jeffery M. Howell, and Commissioner Perry J. Williams.

Others present: General Manager Mike Richard, Finance Manager Chuck Reynolds, Engineering and Planning Manager Mark Harvey, Operations Manager Marc Regier, Electric Manager Tony Farr, Public Information Coordinator Alison Rauch, and Secretary to the Board Fredia Snow. Jim Craig, Doris Bull, Reno Deaton with Greer Development Corporation, and Kaelyn Cashman with The Greer Citizen were also present.

The Greenville News, The Greer Citizen, Greer Today and the Spartanburg Herald Journal were notified of the meeting by email on October 18, 2018 at 7:04 PM.

Mr. Gibson called the **Regular Session** to order at 12:30 PM.

**INVOCATION**

Mr. Howell offered the invocation.

**MINUTES OF THE September 24, 2018 MEETING**

Perry Williams made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 24, 2018 meeting. Jeff Howell seconded the motion. A roll call vote followed. Mr. Gibson voted yes. Mr. Howell voted yes. Mr. Williams voted yes. The motion carried. The minutes were approved as written.

Mr. Jim Craig, on behalf of Mrs. Doris Bull, his mother-in-law, was given permission by Chairman Gibson to address the Board regarding a power outage Mrs. Bull experienced. Mr. Craig explained that on September 4, 2018, when Mrs. Bull arrived home, her power was off. A Greer CPW technician arrived and found all three (3) lines had separated causing a direct shortage. Mr. Craig had provided Mr. Holliday a list of items that were damaged beyond repair the insurance adjustor denied. Therefore, due to Mrs. Bull's very limited income, Mr. Craig asked if the Board would consider taking responsibility for what happened. Mr. Craig added that at this time, Mrs. Bull is still not able to stay in her home because she still does not have a refrigerator. Also, he stated he was concerned for her safety as the only repair that was made was wrapping tape around the leg. Mr. Gibson asked if Mrs. Bull's homeowner insurance was notified. Mr. Craig said they had not because the deductible was \$1,000.00 which Mrs. Bull did not have. The Board will review documentation provided by Mr. Craig before deciding.

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## FINANCIAL REPORT

Finance Manager Chuck Reynolds, presented the Financial Report for the period ending September 30, 2018.

Jeff Howell made a motion to accept the financial report as information and Perry Williams seconded. The roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Gibson voted yes. Mr. Howell voted yes. Mr. Williams voted yes. The motion carried.

## PROJECT/DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Mark Harvey reported on:

- Hampton Inn – Utilities Relocation
- Commercial/Industrial Development Updates
- Genoble Road – Force Main Relocation
- W. Arlington Ave – Gravity Sewer Replacement

## NEW BUSINESS

### AUTHORIZATION OF EXEMPTING 100% DISABLED VETERANS FROM BOAT LICENSE AND FISHING FEES

Mr. Richard noted that a customer recommended having disabled veterans exempted from paying fees for a boat license and fishing permit. Therefore, Mr. Richard requested that we allow disabled veterans to be exempted from fees if they provide documentation from the VA (Veterans Administration) that they are 100% disabled. Mr. Gibson said this was the least we could do for our disabled veterans who gave such great sacrifice and it would behoove us to allow them to enjoy our lakes at no cost.

Mr. Williams inquired about the status of the assistance rail to be installed at Lake Robinson. Mr. Richard explained that Mr. Parris purchased an assistance rail just like the homeowner has; however, the homeowner's dock is aluminum and our dock is wood so will require a different kind of attachment. Thus, Mr. Richard asked Mr. Parris to hire a contracting firm that works with docks to come up with the best solution.

Perry Williams made a motion to Authorize the Exemption of Fees for Boat License and Fishing Permit to 100% disabled veterans and Jeff Howell seconded. The roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Gibson voted yes. Mr. Howell voted yes. Mr. Williams voted no. The motion carried.

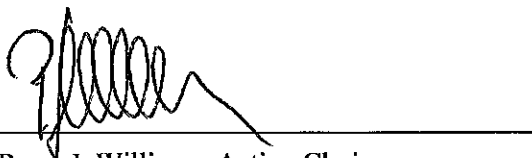
## GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

Mr. Richard said the Commissioners will receive a copy of the proposed budget by the end of this week which will show there is no recommendation for a rate increase. He also reminded everyone that the Budget Workshop will be November 5, 2018.

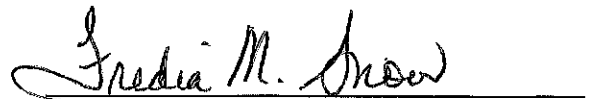
## ADJOURNMENT SESSION

With no further business, Jeff Howell made a motion to adjourn and Perry Williams seconded. The vote tally was as follows: Mr. Gibson, yes; Mr. Howell, yes; Mr. Williams, yes. The motion carried, and the **Regular Session** adjourned at 12:59 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Perry J. Williams, Acting Chairman  
Board of Commissioners



Fredia M. Snow, Secretary  
Board of Commissioners