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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC WORKS

April 25, 2022

Meeting Location: 301 McCall Street, Greer, SC 29650

REGULAR SESSION

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

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

Others present: General Manager Mike Richard, Finance Manager Angela Karcher, Engineering and Planning Manager Mark Harvey, Operations Manager Marc Regier, Grant Davis of Mauldin & Jenkins, Dwaine Falls, Reno Deaton, and Alison Rauch.

The Greenville News, The Greer Citizen, Greer Today and the Spartanburg Herald Journal were notified of the meeting by email on April 25, 2022, at 8:12 AM.

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

INVOCATION

Mr. Gibson offered the invocation.

MINUTES OF THE March 28, 2022, MEETING

Mr. Howell made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 28, 2022, meeting. Mr. Gibson seconded the motion. A roll call vote followed. Mr. Howell voted yes. Mr. Williams voted yes. Mr. Gibson voted yes. The motion carried. The minutes were approved as written.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Finance Manager Angela Karcher presented the Financial Report for the period ending March 31, 2022.

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

PROJECT/DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Mark Harvey reported on:

- BMW Pump Station Replacement
- High School Pump Station Replacement
- Chestnut Grove Pump Station

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NEW BUSINESS

RECOGNITION OF ELECTRIC DEPT FOR APPA SAFETY AWARD

Mr. Regier informed the Commissioner's that the Electric Dept had recently received a Safety Award from the American Public Power Association at its annual Engineering & Operations Conference.

Mr. Williams asked Mr. Regier to thank the Electric Dept for receiving this award and for doing their work safely.

APPROVAL OF CHANGE TO DEVELOPER POLICY

Mr. Richard stated that as discussed last month, material for electrical extensions has increased significantly. As an example, the most recent quote for a 100 kVa pad-mounted transformer was \$24,651, before the pandemic the average cost for this transformer was \$2,923. Mr. Richard recommended that the Commission approve that Developers pay 100% of electric extension costs for residential developments. A discussion followed.

Mr. Howell made a motion to revise the Developer Policy to require Developers to pay 100% of electric extension costs for residential developments and Mr. Gibson seconded. The roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Howell voted yes. Mr. Williams voted yes. Mr. Gibson voted yes. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF 2021 FINANCIAL AUDIT

Ms. Karcher introduced Mr. Grant Davis of Mauldin & Jenkins to present a summary of the 2021 Financial Audit. Mr. Davis stated that the Audit Opinion from their firm was unmodified (Clean Opinion). Mr. Davis stated that for 2021 Greer CPW had \$98 million in Operating Revenues and \$84 million in Operating Expenses (with \$13 million in depreciation) with a \$21 million increase in net position. A discussion followed

Mr. Gibson made a motion to accept the 2021 Financial Audit as information as presented, and Mr. Howell seconded. The roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Howell voted yes. Mr. Williams voted yes. Mr. Gibson voted yes. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AUDIT SERVICES FROM MAULDIN & JENKINS

Ms. Karcher presented a quote from Mauldin & Jenkins to perform the Annual Financial Audit for the years of 2022-2026 at a total cost of \$189,500. Ms. Karcher recommended that the Commission accept the quote. A discussion followed.

Mr. Gibson made a motion to approve Mauldin & Jenkins to perform Greer CPW's Annual Financial Audit for the years of 2022-2026 at a total cost of \$189,500 and Mr. Howell seconded. The roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Howell voted yes. Mr. Williams voted yes. Mr. Gibson voted yes. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT OF MARIA CAMARENA AS BOARD SECRETARY

Mr. Richard stated that due to a recent retirement a new Board Secretary needs to be appointed. Mr. Richard recommended that Maria Camarena be appointed.

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Mr. Howell made a motion to appoint Maria Camarena as Board Secretary and Mr. Gibson seconded. The roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Howell voted yes. Mr. Williams voted yes. Mr. Gibson voted yes. The motion carried.

GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

Mr. Richard had no comments.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Mr. Williams made a motion to adjourn, and Mr. Gibson 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 1:02 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A blue ink signature of Perry J. Williams, consisting of a stylized 'P' followed by several vertical lines.

Perry J. Williams, Chairman

A blue ink signature of Mike Richard, written in a cursive style.

Mike Richard, General Manager

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