

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE BAMBERG BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS ON MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 2002 AT 5:15 P.M. AT CITY HALL. MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Bob Clary, Carl Kilgus and Dr. Marion Dwight. MANAGER : Bruce Ellis. CLERK: Bruce Watson.

Chariman Clary called the meeting to order and Clerk Watson gave the invocation.

Commissioner Dwight made the motion to approve the minutes of the July 29, 2002 meeting as received. Commissioner Kilgus made the second. All approved. The motion carried.

The income and expense statements were approved as received.

Under Manager's Report:

Manager Ellis informed the Commissioners that they would be receiving an invitation to the groundbreaking ceremony for the new shopping center. Mr. Ellis said other businesses have shown an interest in locating in the new development including B. C. Moores.

Commissioner Kilgus asked if the piping that was being placed in the ditch in front of the shopping area was heavy enough.

Manager Ellis explained that the corrugated piping was ok since it would not have any vehicles driving over it.

Manager Ellis informed the Commissioners that all the ongoing projects were moving forward.

Manager Ellis then presented the Commissioners with a draft copy of a compliance letter addressed to Rockland Industries dealing with their illegal discharge of sludge to the BPW wastewater plant. Manager Ellis informed the Commissioners that the new pretreatment plant for Rockland Industries was not designed to handle the level of sludge that was discharged to them. He explained that since EPA and DHEC enforces compliance on the BPW that they require the BPW to enforce compliance on Rockland Industries. Manager Ellis told the Commissioners that Rockland Industries actually dumped drums of material in the wastewater stream before they shut down for vacation. He explained this increased the BOD level to 100 ppm.

Commissioner Dwight asked what happened to the sludge once it entered the BPW's plant.

Manager Ellis explained that the sludge was eventually handled but that the color passed through to the irrigation fields. He said this could have been a major problem if the BPW had been discharging into a receiving stream. Manager Ellis explained again that the new plant was not designed to handle such a level of BOD.

Chairman Clary asked when the new water treatment plant would be on line. Manager Ellis said the target date for completion has been set for November.

Manager Ellis informed the Commissioners that he had given a presentation to the Bamberg Men's Garden Club last Thursday explaining the BPW's water system. He asked them to review the same presentation at the end of their meeting.

Manager Ellis informed the Commissioners that the SC Department of Natural Resources has contacted everyone about their concerns with water usage throughout the state. He said there were over 3,000 water systems in the state and that over 75% have begun rationing programs. Manager Ellis assured the Commissioners that the BPW's water situation was fine.

Commissioner Kilgus made the motion to go into executive session to discuss negotiations incident to a contractual matter. Commissioner Dwight made the second. All approved. The motion carried.

Commissioner Dwight made the motion to come out of the executive session. Commissioner Kilgus made the second. All approved. The motion carried.

Manager Ellis then gave the Commissioners a presentation on the BPW's present water system.

With no further business, Commissioner Dwight made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Kilgus made the second. All approved. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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Clerk

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Chairman-BPW

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