

MINUTES

Spartanburg Sanitary Sewer District Commission, Regular Meeting, held at 301 South Avenue, Spartanburg, SC, September 2, 2021, at 11:15 a.m.

Copies of the agenda were forwarded to the following news media: Spartanburg Herald-Journal, The Spartan Weekly, Greenville News, The Greer Citizen, Hometown News, WSPA-TV 7, WYFF-TV 4, WLOS-TV 13, WHNS Fox Carolina, WORD News Radio, WOLT-FM Radio, Tribune Times, and the Times Examiner.

Commissioners present were Ms. Viney and Messrs. Blanton, Horton, Littlejohn, Montgomery, and White. Ms. Barnes and Mayor White were absent.

The meeting was opened with the following statement:

This is a regular meeting of the Spartanburg Sanitary Sewer District Commission. Written notice of the date, time, and place for this meeting, along with the agenda, has been posted in the lobby and on the Spartanburg Water website, and copies mailed to local and nearby news media, at least 24 hours prior to this meeting.

Mr. Blanton noted that the meeting would be held as a quorum in Commissioner Barnes and Mayor White's absence.

1. PRAYER

Mr. Blanton called the meeting to order and Bobby Walden opened with a prayer.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 29, 2021

Mr. Horton moved and Mr. Littlejohn seconded the motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

3. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Blanton recognized Newt Pressley for his years of service to Spartanburg Water. Mr. Pressley, Chief Financial Officer, joined Spartanburg Water on January 6, 1986. Mr. Pressley has overseen a number of initiatives including the Customer Assistance Program, pay-as-you-go project funding, debt service savings from bond refunding, higher bond ratings, enhanced bond coverage and reserves, stable customer rates, automated meter reading, and monthly billing. Mr. Pressley was presented with a Certificate of Recognition and the Commission thanked Mr. Pressley for his commitment and service to Spartanburg Water.

Newt Pressley presented a financial summary of SSSD expenditures and revenues for the twelve-month period ending June 30, 2021, and one-month period ending July 31, 2021. An explanation was provided for the favorable and unfavorable budget variances.

Mr. Pressley noted that in late 2019 the Commission authorized the acquisition of Moore Sewer, which was comprised of the Linville Hills and Madera Village collection systems. A system improvement fee was added to the customer bills as a means of cost recovery. That cost recovery ended in June 2021, and the generated revenue was about \$206,000. A message was placed on customer bills to make them aware of when this fee would go away. Mr. Pressley stated that SSSD has completed rehab on this system.

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Ms. Viney asked how much the fee was. Mr. Pressley stated that the fee was \$24, and reflected a reduction in what the Moore Sewer customers had been paying. The recent change reflects a further decrease in their sewer charge.

The above was provided as information to the Commission.

4. APPROVAL OF SERIES 2021 GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND REFUNDING

Newt Pressley introduced Brad Love of Haynesworth Sinkler Boyd, SSSD bond counsel, to present the resolution authorizing the Series 2021 bond refunding of the outstanding Series 2011 General Obligation Bonds, as follows:

TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF A NOT EXCEEDING THREE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,525,000) GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BOND, SERIES 2021, OF SPARTANBURG SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT, SOUTH CAROLINA, TO PRESCRIBE THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE PROCEEDS SHALL BE EXPENDED, TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

Management requested Commission approval of the Series 2021 resolution.

Mr. Love stated the resolution authorizing the Series 2021 bond refunding of the outstanding Series 2011 General Obligation Bonds due to interest rate savings. With current market conditions, this would provide a net present savings of \$530,000 over the life of the bonds. These are short-term bonds that extend out into 2025.

Mr. Horton moved and Mr. Littlejohn seconded the motion to approve management's recommendation for approval of the Series 2021 General Obligation Bond Refunding. The motion passed unanimously.

5. FIELD SAFETY TASK TEAM REPORT

Ms. Schneider provided an update to the Commission noting that the Commission has not met since the July 1, 2021, shooting incident in which the Field Safety Task Team was formed.

In the hours following the shooting incident on July 1, 2021, senior staff met to ensure that everyone had an update on the situation. This random act of violence had shaken Spartanburg Water employees and the community. The next morning, management met with co-workers throughout the company to share updates, answer questions, and listen to concerns. Chaplains were also onsite at different locations to support co-workers.

While a random act of violence is an unpreventable and uncontrollable situation, it was clear that Spartanburg Water employees needed to take the "control" back that they felt they had lost with the shooting. Many co-workers have jobs working alone or in small groups. Night duty staff

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are often called out at night to remote areas to ensure that the community has essential services. From these conversations, a task force consisting of representatives from field groups was formed to identify safety or system improvements that could be addressed.

During the past six weeks, the task force team has identified suggested improvements in procedures, processes, and equipment. Some of the changes could be done quickly, "Quick Wins", and some will take longer to implement.

An example of an implemented "Quick Win" is a Stop the Bleed Kit. One of the Landrum Water Plant Operators shared a tool that is used in his community volunteer activities as a fireman and auxiliary policeman. This kit consists of a tourniquet and other compression bandages. A kit can be placed in the door panel for quick response before Emergency Services arrive. Spartanburg Water staff receives First Aid Training and use of this kit would be added to that training to ensure that whatever the type of first aid needs to be administered, the equipment is right there.

There are other suggestions that will require some work to ensure it is the best practice. One suggestion raised by the committee was for Panic Button devices. Duke Energy has panic buttons in many of their vehicles in the event of an emergency. Management is looking at that application to determine the device and the response needed in the event the driver cannot respond.

Some of the improvements identified were department or job specific, so internal procedures will be reviewed.

The next steps will include some restructuring and resources so the Task Force and co-workers can continue to ensure that they are taking a role in ensuring a safe workplace. The Field Safety Task Force is being renamed to Spartanburg Water Safety Task Force and additional members will be added to include employees from other areas, not just field groups. Champions will be assigned to assist on some key issues to ensure priority and to assist with any barriers or resources needed.

The above was provided as information to the Commission.

6. DEWATERED SLUDGE CONTAINER AND TRANSPORTATION BID

Proposals were received on June 22, 2021, for dewatered sludge container and transportation services for the A. Manning Lynch Wastewater Treatment Facility. This service is for the hauling of dewatered sewage sludge from the A. Manning Lynch facility to the Anderson Regional Landfill in Anderson, SC and the Republic Landfill in Union, SC. Hauling requires the use of end dump trailers and typically utilizes a tipper at the landfill.

The request for proposal was advertised in the local media and forwarded to prospective vendors. The solicitation drew responses from three vendors. The costs are tabulated below. The costs shown represent a per haul cost.

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Vendor	Anderson Regional Landfill (Waste Connections)	Union County Regional Landfill (Republic Services)
Sparks Industrial Service Piedmont, SC	\$425	\$250
Republic Services Louisville, KY	No Bid	\$275
Waste Connections Duncan, SC	\$475	No Bid
Waste Management Atlanta, GA	No Bid	No Bid

Based on the proposals submitted and the scoring of the evaluation committee, management recommended the Container and Transportation Services contract be granted to Sparks Industrial at an annual cost of \$242,100. This total cost represents the split of hauls between the Anderson Regional Landfill and the Union County Regional Landfill. Funding will be provided by SSSD operating funds.

Remsen Parrish provided the Commission with an overview of the Dewatered Sludge Container and Transportation Bid.

Mr. Horton moved and Mr. Littlejohn seconded the motion to approve management's recommendation to award the bid to Sparks Industrial. The motion passed unanimously.

7. LANDFILL DISPOSAL SERVICES

Bids were received on June 24, 2021, for landfill disposal services. The service includes landfill disposal of grit and screenings removed from various wastewater collection system facilities as well as dewatered sludge disposal from the A. Manning Lynch Wastewater Treatment Facility. Approximately 14,500 tons of dewatered sludge and approximately 3,500 tons of grit and screenings is removed annually from various collection and treatment facilities and disposed at subtitle D Landfills.

The request for sealed bid was advertised in the local media and forwarded to prospective vendors. The solicitation drew responses from two bidders. An annual cost tabulation is listed below:

Vendor	Grit and Screenings Disposal	Dewatered Sludge Disposal
Waste Connections (Anderson Regional Landfill) Belton, SC	\$230,070	\$725,000
Republic Services (Union County Regional Landfill) Enoree, SC	\$222,850	\$913,500
Waste Management Atlanta, GA	No Bid	No Bid

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Based on the results of the bid responses, management recommends the approval of an award to Republic Services for grit and screenings disposal at an annual cost of \$222,850.

Due to cost and logistics of hauling to the Anderson Landfill as well as the need to have a secondary landfill secured in case there is an issue with providing the service, management recommended the approval of an award to both Republic Services and Waste Connections for the disposal of dewatered sludge at an annual cost of \$863,880. Funding will be provided by SSSD operating funds.

Remsen Parrish provided the Commission with an overview of the Landfill Disposal Services Bid.

Mr. Horton moved and Mr. Montgomery seconded the motion to approve management's recommendation to approve the bid award to both Republic Services and Waste Connections for the disposal of dewatered sludge. The motion passed unanimously.

8. WINDSOR FOREST PUMP STATION FORCE MAIN UPGRADE AWARD OF ENGINEERING CONTRACT

The Windsor Forest Pump Station and Force Main was constructed in the late 1960's. The pump station was upgraded in 2016. However, the force main was left intact. The existing 4-inch force main manifolds into the 20-inch force main coming from the Camp Croft pump station. The Windsor Forest pump station operates adequately during dry weather but struggles to overcome the pressure in the 20-inch force main when there are rainfall events and the Camp Croft pump station is in operation. There are currently two new subdivisions under construction that will drain into the Windsor Forest pump station and while the pumps are adequately sized to accommodate this additional flow there is concern that the flow cannot be delivered into the Camp Croft force main during rain and high flow events.

The situation was evaluated and the more cost effective approach is to upsize and extend the force main to gravity sewer that was installed in the area in 2014. The proposed force main will parallel the existing Windsor Forest and Camp Croft force mains to the gravity sewer line. The new force main project will not only accommodate the future flow but also eliminate the current manifold situation.

Staff requested proposals from four engineering firms, all of which declined submitting citing current workload. Staff reached out to WK Dickson with whom Spartanburg Sanitary Sewer District has a Master Services Agreement for professional services on an "on call" or "task order" basis. WK Dickson provided a "not to exceed" task order quote of \$90,500 for engineering design, permitting assistance, bidding support, construction contract administration and limited construction observation.

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Management recommended that the Commission authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute the proposed Task Order # 6 with WK Dickson of Greenville, SC for the Windsor Forest Pump Station Force Main project for the not to exceed amount of \$90,500. The engineering services will be funded with capital funds.

Bobby Walden provided the Commission with an overview of the Windsor Forest Pump Station Force Main Upgrade Award of Engineering Contract. Mr. Walden noted that request for proposals were provided to four engineering firms, but all declined citing current workload. Staff reached out to WK Dickson with whom Spartanburg Sanitary Sewer District has a Master Services Agreement for professional services on an on call or task order basis. WK Dickson provided a not to exceed quote of \$90,500 for engineering design, permitting assistance, bidding support, construction contract administration and limited construction observation.

Ms. Viney confirmed this request is to provide engineering services for the project, not actual construction. Mr. Walden stated this agreement is for engineering services only.

Ms. Viney asked if there would be any contribution from the two recently approved subdivisions for construction of the Windsor Forest Pump Station and Force Main Upgrade project. Mr. Walden explained this upgrade is not due to the increased volume from the subdivisions, management would have requested this upgrade regardless of the new subdivisions.

Mr. Montgomery moved and Mr. Littlejohn seconded the motion to approve management's recommendation to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute the proposed Task Order # 6 with WK Dickson of Greenville, SC for the Windsor Forest Pump Station Force Main project for the not to exceed amount of \$90,500. The motion passed unanimously.

9. REQUEST FOR ANNEXATION – HARVEY ZANE AND FRANCES WHITE WOODFIN

Harvey Zane and Frances White Woodfin have requested annexation of approximately 4.0 acres of property located off of Lake Bowen Dam Road on parcel 2-28-00-044.00. The property is adjacent to the District boundaries and can be annexed by Commission under authority granted in its enabling legislation.

Management recommended the Commission approve the annexation request, adopt a resolution giving 90 days' notice to sub-districts, and annex the property effective December 1, 2021.

**Resolution of Annexation
Adopted by Spartanburg Sanitary Sewer District Commission
On September 2, 2021**

WHEREAS, Harvey Zane and Frances White Woodfin, owner(s) of a 4.0-acre tract, more or less, adjacent to the existing Sewer District boundary line, and located off of Lake Bowen Dam Road on parcel 2-28-00-044.00 and more particularly shown on the site location map attached hereto as

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exhibit "A" have petitioned for annexation of this area comprising the aforementioned tract to the Spartanburg Sanitary Sewer District ("the District"); and

WHEREAS, the petition of the property owner(s) have been accepted by the Commission after finding (a) that the petition was submitted by the property owner(s) of an area in Spartanburg County on a petition form provided by the District, (b) that the petition was signed by the property owner(s) within such area proposed to be annexed, (c) that there was attached to the petition a map made on a scale as required by the District, made by a registered licensed surveyor showing, in detail the boundary of the area proposed to be annexed and that all other requirements of the applicable law had been met, and

WHEREAS, the Commission, after having given due consideration to all matters pertaining to the proposed annexation of such area including but not limited to health hazards, the feasibility of installation and maintenance of a sewer system and cost factors, has determined that such an area should be annexed to the District, and

WHEREAS, in reaching its decision to annex such area, the Commission has taken into consideration the additional waste contributed to the system by such area and present and future expansion of interceptor lines and disposal facilities needed to accommodate and service such area, and it has determined that such consideration does not indicate a probable need for expansion to take care of the sewage needs of such area, and,

WHEREAS, the Commission finds that it should now give written notice of ninety (90) days to the governing body of each of the sub-districts of the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the District Commission hereby confirms and ratifies the determinations and findings set out hereinabove, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the aforesaid petition be, and it hereby is, accepted by the Commission, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the area owned by the aforesaid property owner(s) shown on the map attached to the petition, be annexed to the District effective at the expiration of the ninety (90) days written notice to be given to the governing body of each sub-district of the Spartanburg Sanitary Sewer District, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission will give written notice of ninety (90) days to the governing body of each of the sub-districts of the District of the acceptance of the aforesaid petition and of the decision of the Commission to annex the property shown on the above described map.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that when the annexation becomes effective notice of such annexation shall be given to the County Treasurer, The County Auditor and the County Health Officer.

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Kevin Smith, Project Engineer, provided the Commission with an overview of the Harvey Zane and Frances White Woodfin request for annexation of approximately 4.0 acres of property located off of Lake Bowen Dam Road on parcel 2-28-00-044.00.

Mr. Horton moved and Mr. Littlejohn seconded the motion to approve management's recommendation to approve the annexation request. The motion passed unanimously.

10. REQUEST FOR ANNEXATION – NEWMAN & SIMS DEVELOPMENT, INC.

Newman & Sims Development, Inc., has requested annexation of approximately 37.97 acres of property located off of Lake Bowen Dam Road on parcel 2-29-00-029.01. The property is adjacent to the District boundaries and can be annexed by Commission under authority granted in its enabling legislation.

Management recommended the Commission approve the annexation request, adopt a resolution giving 90 days' notice to sub-districts, and annex the property effective December 1, 2021.

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On September 2, 2021**

WHEREAS, Newman & Sims Development, Inc., owner(s) of a 37.97-acre tract, more or less, adjacent to the existing Sewer District boundary line, and located off of Lake Bowen Dam Road on parcel 2-29-00-029.01 and more particularly shown on the site location map attached hereto as exhibit "A" has petitioned for annexation of this area comprising the aforementioned tract to the Spartanburg Sanitary Sewer District ("the District"); and

WHEREAS, the petition of the property owner(s) has been accepted by the Commission after finding (a) that the petition was submitted by the property owner(s) of an area in Spartanburg County on a petition form provided by the District, (b) that the petition was signed by the property owner(s) within such area proposed to be annexed, (c) that there was attached to the petition a map made on a scale as required by the District, made by a registered licensed surveyor showing, in detail the boundary of the area proposed to be annexed and that all other requirements of the applicable law had been met, and

WHEREAS, the Commission, after having given due consideration to all matters pertaining to the proposed annexation of such area including but not limited to health hazards, the feasibility of installation and maintenance of a sewer system and cost factors, has determined that such an area should be annexed to the District, and

WHEREAS, in reaching its decision to annex such area, the Commission has taken into consideration the additional waste contributed to the system by such area and present and future expansion of interceptor lines and disposal facilities needed to accommodate and service such area,

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and it has determined that such consideration does not indicate a probable need for expansion to take care of the sewage needs of such area, and,

WHEREAS, the Commission finds that it should now give written notice of ninety (90) days to the governing body of each of the sub-districts of the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the District Commission hereby confirms and ratifies the determinations and findings set out hereinabove, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the aforesaid petition be, and it hereby is, accepted by the Commission, and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission will give written notice of ninety (90) days to the governing body of each of the sub-districts of the District of the acceptance of the aforesaid petition and of the decision of the Commission to annex the property shown on the above described map.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that when the annexation becomes effective notice of such annexation shall be given to the County Treasurer, The County Auditor and the County Health Officer.

Kevin Smith, Project Engineer, provided the Commission with an overview of the Newman & Sims Development, Inc., request for annexation of approximately 37.97 acres of property located off of Lake Bowen Dam Road on parcel 2-29-00-029.01.

Ms. Viney asked if this annexation would become part of Woodfin Ridge. Mr. Smith stated it was being developed for a subdivision.

Mr. Littlejohn moved and Mr. Horton seconded the motion to approve management's recommendation to approve the annexation request. The motion passed unanimously.

11. REQUEST FOR ANNEXATION – JUMP START SOUTH CAROLINA

Jump Start South Carolina has requested annexation of approximately 26.94 acres of property located off of Wingo Road on parcel 5-21-00-24.00. The property is adjacent to the District boundaries and can be annexed by Commission under authority granted in its enabling legislation.

Management recommended the Commission approve the annexation request, adopt a resolution giving 90 days' notice to sub-districts, and annex the property effective December 1, 2021.

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WHEREAS, Jump Start South Carolina, owner(s) of a 26.94-acre tract, more or less, adjacent to the existing Sewer District boundary line, and located off of Wingo Road on parcel 5-21-00-024.00 and more particularly shown on the site location map attached hereto as exhibit "A" has petitioned for annexation of this area comprising the aforementioned tract to the Spartanburg Sanitary Sewer District ("the District"); and

WHEREAS, the petition of the property owner(s) has been accepted by the Commission after finding (a) that the petition was submitted by the property owner(s) of an area in Spartanburg County on a petition form provided by the District, (b) that the petition was signed by the property owner(s) within such area proposed to be annexed, (c) that there was attached to the petition a map made on a scale as required by the District, made by a registered licensed surveyor showing, in detail the boundary of the area proposed to be annexed and that all other requirements of the applicable law had been met, and

WHEREAS, the Commission, after having given due consideration to all matters pertaining to the proposed annexation of such area including but not limited to health hazards, the feasibility of installation and maintenance of a sewer system and cost factors, has determined that such an area should be annexed to the District, and

WHEREAS, in reaching its decision to annex such area, the Commission has taken into consideration the additional waste contributed to the system by such area and present and future expansion of interceptor lines and disposal facilities needed to accommodate and service such area, and it has determined that such consideration does not indicate a probable need for expansion to take care of the sewage needs of such area, and,

WHEREAS, the Commission finds that it should now give written notice of ninety (90) days to the governing body of each of the sub-districts of the District.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission will give written notice of ninety (90) days to the governing body of each of the sub-districts

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of the District of the acceptance of the aforesaid petition and of the decision of the Commission to annex the property shown on the above described map.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that when the annexation becomes effective notice of such annexation shall be given to the County Treasurer, The County Auditor and the County Health Officer.

Kevin Smith, Project Engineer, provided the Commission with an overview of the Jump Start South Carolina request for annexation of approximately 26.94 acres of property located off of Wingo Road on parcel 5-21-00-24.00.

Mr. Montgomery moved and Mr. Horton seconded the motion to approve management's recommendation to approve the annexation request. The motion passed unanimously.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Montgomery moved and Mr. Horton seconded the motion to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters at 11:51 a.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Horton moved and Mr. Montgomery seconded the motion to come out of executive session at 12:19 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Montgomery moved and Ms. Viney seconded the motion to increase the Chief Executive Officer's salary by 15% along with an additional two weeks of vacation days added to vacation accrual. The motion passed unanimously.

13. NEGOTIATIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- A. Ms. Schneider noted that a list of Upcoming Events and the COVID-19 report was previously provided to the Commission.
- B. Ms. Schneider stated that the United Way Campaign kick-off has begun and the Goal for this Campaign is \$58,000.

14. RESOLUTION TO HONOR LAW ENFORCEMENT RESPONSE ON JULY 1, 2021

Mr. Blanton asked Mr. Montgomery to call the Commission of Public Works meeting into session with the Spartanburg Sanitary Sewer District Commission.

Mr. Montgomery called the Commission of Public Works meeting into joint session with Spartanburg Sanitary Sewer District at 12:23 p.m.

Mr. Blanton noted that the SSSD Agenda Item #14 is a joint Resolution to Honor Law Enforcement Response on July 1, 2021.

Mr. Montgomery noted that the SWS Agenda Item #1 is a joint Resolution to Honor Law Enforcement Response on July 1, 2021.

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Mr. Blanton stated this item consists of two Joint Resolutions to honor law enforcement response on July 1, 2021, when Spartanburg Water team members were injured while performing their normal duties.

Mr. Montgomery stated that the first Resolution presented here today honors Spartanburg City Police Department and their dedicated officers for their quick action in protecting Spartanburg Water personnel.

Mr. Blanton stated the second Resolution presented here today honors the Spartanburg County Sheriff's Office and their dedicated officers for their quick action in protecting Spartanburg Water personnel.

On July 1, 2021, team members of Spartanburg Water were injured while performing their normal duties. Both Spartanburg City Police Department and the Spartanburg County Sheriff's Department responded to the scene in aid of our workers and the community.

Management recommended adoption of the following resolutions:

JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC WORKS OF THE CITY OF SPARTANBURG, SC AND THE SPARTANBURG SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT

The Commissioners of Public Works of the City of Spartanburg, SC and The Spartanburg Sanitary Sewer District, jointly assembled for the purposes of the passage of the following resolution, do hereby honor the service of the Spartanburg City Police Department and their dedicated officers for their quick action in protecting Spartanburg Water personnel.

WHEREAS, each day the men and women of Spartanburg Water work to provide quality water and sewer service to nearly two hundred thousand customers in the greater Spartanburg community; and

WHEREAS, on Thursday, July 1, 2021, while out performing their normal duties in the Cleveland Park area, Spartanburg Water personnel were placed in danger, and two team members were ultimately shot and wounded without provocation; and

WHEREAS, in response to this life threatening situation and the emergency calls for assistance, both Spartanburg City Police Department and Spartanburg County Sheriff's Department personnel rushed to the scene in aid of our workers; and

WHEREAS, through the quick and heroic efforts of these responding officers, who put themselves at great personal risk, the scene was quickly secured and the threat contained; and

WHEREAS, in a commendable display of cooperation, the responding officers of the Spartanburg City Police and Sheriff's Departments worked seamlessly and in direct coordination with each other to aid our threatened employees, to protect the citizens of this community and to bring this tragic incident to a swift conclusion.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The Commissioners of Public Works of the City of Spartanburg, SC and The Spartanburg Sanitary Sewer District do hereby jointly honor and commend the Spartanburg City Police Department and Chief Alonzo Thompson for their brave and courageous action coming to the aid of Spartanburg Water personnel in the performance of their work. Through the quick action of these responding officers, lives were saved and further injury avoided, and while we realize that these first responders do this work every day, these collective bodies take this opportunity to commend each of them for their selfless action in the faithful performance of their dangerous jobs, and to express our deepest gratitude for stepping into harm's way to protect both Spartanburg Water personnel and the citizens of this community who were threatened during this senseless act of violence.

Let the record of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of these bodies as of this 2nd day of September 2021.

JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC WORKS OF THE CITY OF SPARTANBURG, SC AND THE SPARTANBURG SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT

The Commissioners of Public Works of the City of Spartanburg, SC and The Spartanburg Sanitary Sewer District, jointly assembled for the purposes of the passage of the following resolution, do hereby honor the service of the Spartanburg County Sheriff's Department and their dedicated officers for their quick action in protecting Spartanburg Water personnel.

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WHEREAS, in a commendable display of cooperation, the responding officers of the Sheriff's Department and Spartanburg City Police officers worked seamlessly and in direct coordination with each other to aid our threatened employees, to protect the citizens of this community and to bring this tragic incident to a swift conclusion.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The Commissioners of Public Works of the City of Spartanburg, SC and The Spartanburg Sanitary Sewer District do hereby jointly honor and commend the Spartanburg County Sheriff's Department and Sheriff Chuck Wright for their brave and courageous action coming to the aid of Spartanburg Water personnel in the performance of their work. Through the quick action of these responding officers, lives were saved and further injury avoided, and while we realize that these first responders do this work every day, these collective bodies take this opportunity to commend each of them for their selfless action in the faithful performance of their dangerous jobs, and to express our deepest gratitude for stepping into harm's way to protect both Spartanburg Water personnel and the citizens of this community who were threatened during this senseless act of violence.

Mr. Littlejohn moved and Mr. Horton seconded the motion to approve both Joint Resolutions to Honor Law Enforcement Response on July 1, 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

The record of these resolutions will be spread upon the minutes of these bodies as of this 2nd day of September 2021.

Meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

G. Newton Pressley
Secretary-Treasurer

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