

MINUTES

The Commissioners of Public Works of the City of Spartanburg, SC, Regular Meeting, held at 200 Commerce Street, Spartanburg, SC, October 28, 2025, at 1:00 p.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, Mr. Littlejohn, and Mr. Montgomery. No one was absent.

The meeting was opened with the following statement:

This is a regular meeting of The Commissioners of Public Works of the City of Spartanburg, SC. 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 forwarded to local and nearby news media, at least 24 hours prior to this meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Commission Chair, John Montgomery, called the meeting to order.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2025

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

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

AGENDA ITEMS 3-6 FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT

3. THE PARTNERSHIP FOR SAFE WATER DIRECTOR'S AWARD

The *Partnership for Safe Water*, with more than 250 utilities and 400 treatment plants, is a voluntary self-assessment and optimization program for water treatment and distribution system operations. The program is sponsored by the American Water Works Association, United States Environmental Protection Agency, Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies, Association of State Drinking Water Administrators, National Association of Water Companies, and the Water Research Foundation.

The Directors Award includes an extensive evaluation of treatment plant operations and performance, identification of performance limiting factors, and the development of action plans to achieve optimization. In September 2025, the R.B. Simms and Landrum Drinking Water Treatment Facilities received the Directors Award for the monitoring year period of 2024. This distinction was achieved by successfully maintaining the drinking water treatment program's Directors Award level of performance, demonstrating a commitment to superior water quality served to our customers.

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Ken Tuck introduced Jason Cass, Interim Drinking Water Treatment Manager. Mr. Tuck shared the significance of The Directors Award, as it represents 25 years of no regulatory compliance issues or violations. This is a reflection of commitment by the Drinking Water Treatment Team, along with other departments working together to successfully maintain the program’s Directors Award level of performance; demonstrating a commitment to superior water quality served to our customers.

The Commission congratulated staff on this prestigious award.

The above was provided as information to the Commission.

4. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

A financial summary of SWS expenditures and revenues for the three-month period ending September 30, 2025, were reviewed by Cam Cole, the Chief Financial Officer. An explanation was provided for the favorable and unfavorable budget variances.

The above was provided as information to the Commission.

5. PROPOSED 2026 COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE

All monthly Commission meetings will be held the 4th Tuesday of the Month except as noted below.

January 27	February 24
March 24	April 28
May 26 *Monday is Memorial Day	June 23
July – No Meeting	August 25
September 22	October 27
November – No Meeting	December 8 *2 nd Tuesday

The Commission reviewed the proposed meeting schedule and will vote on the proposed schedule at the December 2, 2025, meeting.

The above was provided as information to the Commission.

6. MEANSVILLE-RILEY WATER COMPANY WATER SERVICES AGREEMENT

Meansville-Riley Water Company (MRWC) currently purchases treated drinking water from Spartanburg Water System (SWS) as a wholesale water customer. The existing drinking water services agreement between MRWC and SWS is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2025. SWS management has worked with Meansville-Riley Water Company to negotiate a new drinking water services agreement between MRWC and SWS that will extend the agreement for an additional twenty-five years through December 31, 2050. The MRWC Commission meets on October 28, 2025, at a scheduled time that is after the Commissioners of Public Works of the City of Spartanburg, SC Commission meeting.

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The MRWC Commission is scheduled to vote to approve the new drinking water services agreement with SWS, as written. At this time, SWS management is recommending that the Commissioners of Public Works of the City of Spartanburg approve the agreement, as written, and authorizing Guy Boyle, Chief Executive Officer, to execute the new agreement on behalf of the Commissioners of Public Works of the City of Spartanburg, SC to extend through December 31, 2050, with the following restriction on executing authority in place.

Should the MRWC Commission approve the proposed drinking water services agreement with any modifications, changes, additions or deletions from the agreement presented herein to the Commissioners of Public Works of the City of Spartanburg, SC, that SWS management shall be required to bring the changes before this Commissioners of Public Works of the City of Spartanburg, SC at their scheduled December 2, 2025, meeting, for approval and authorization to execute the new agreement. Should no modifications, changes, additions or deletions be made to the agreement as presented at the October 28, 2025, Commissioners of Public Works of the City of Spartanburg, SC Commission meeting, approval is hereby recommended by SWS management for the new drinking water services agreement between SWS and MRWC.

Mr. Boyle provided a summary of the Meansville-Riley Water Company Water Services Agreement agenda item. No action is requested of the Commission at today's meeting. Management has received an amended agreement from MRWC and their Board Meeting will be held later today.

Management does expect to present a 25-year agreement at the December meeting. This agreement will include providing approximately 12 million gallons of water monthly, service area would remain the same, and would include a 25-year rate structure, and meter testing.

This agreement will be a public-private contractual agreement, since MRWC is a private co-op. Management has confirmed that MRWC will purchase less than 1% of Spartanburg Water's combined water capacity supply, therefore it will not have an impact on Spartanburg Water's tax position for bonds outstanding.

Mr. Littlejohn asked what the previous agreement term was. Mr. Boyle stated it was a 10-year agreement. Mr. Boyle stated that MRWC also purchases water from the City of Union and Woodruff-Roebuck Water District.

The above was provided as information to the Commission.

AGENDA ITEMS 7-8 OPERATIONS

7. R.B. SIMMS 2 MW GENERATOR CONTROLLER REPLACEMENT

The existing 2 MW Generator Controller Panel has failed on the (older) diesel generator set at the R.B. Simms Drinking Water Treatment Facility. This control unit is no longer manufactured and will require a new, modernized control panel to ensure proper integration between the 2 MW generator and

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the newly installed, EPA Air compliant generator set. Cummins is the sole source provider for the new generator as well as the specific controller system needed to synchronize communications and effective operation between the two generator sets. The cost of this sole source procurement is estimated at \$119,700 and will be funded through depreciation funds.

Scott Duff, Facilities Maintenance Manager, provided the Commission with an overview of the R.B. Simms 2 MW Generator Controller Replacement agenda item.

Mr. Montgomery asked if the new generator would replace the old one as the primary generator. Mr. Duff said they will work together to provide a total of 4 MW. Mr. Montgomery asked if that is how many megawatts are needed to run the plant. Mr. Duff stated 4 MW will run the plant with some wattage left over.

Mr. Montgomery asked how much fuel is maintained onsite. Ken Tuck stated 10,000 gallons and Mr. Duff noted that is enough for two days at full capacity.

Mr. Littlejohn asked why management choose Cummins. Mr. Duff stated that Cummins is the sole source provider for the new generator as well as the specific controller system needed to synchronize communications and effective operation between the two generator sets.

The above was provided as information to the Commission.

8. CLEARWELL #3 CURTAIN REPLACEMENT CHANGE ORDER REQUEST – CONTRACT MODIFICATION AGREEMENT

On May 27, 2025, the Commission approved Management’s recommendation to award a contract for curtain replacement and installation for Clearwell #3 at the R.B. Simms Drinking Water Treatment Plant to SE Diving at a cost of \$185,535. The scope of work called for the contractor to remove, dispose, and install the required hardware and curtain in Clearwell #3.

During the course of the dive team’s underwater clean-out and removal of the clearwell curtains, it was discovered that the original epoxied anchor points within the clearwell tank were deteriorated and could not be utilized during the project as originally anticipated. In order to keep the clearwell in service and operational, it was mutually determined between the contractor and Spartanburg Water that new stainless steel, floor to ceiling, anchor points would be the best approach to attach the new clearwell curtains without compromising the structural integrity of the sidewalls to the concrete tank. The fabrication and installation of the stainless-steel legs to anchor two new clearwell baffle curtains adds a total of \$88,593.07 and 10 additional days to the Project.

Original Contract Price	\$185,535.00
Change Order No. 1	\$ 88,593.07
Revised Contract Amount	\$274,128.07

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Management requested the Commission to approve the additional amount referenced in Change Order #1 in the amount of \$88,593.07 and authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute an amended contract with SE Diving out of Greenville, SC. Funding will be provided through depreciation funds.

Ken Tuck provided the Commission with an overview of the Clearwell #3 Curtain Replacement Change Order Request – Contract Modification Agreement agenda item.

Mr. Tuck noted that in May the Commission approved management’s recommendation to award a contract to SE Diving for curtain replacement and installation for Clearwell #3 at R.B. Simms. SE Diving discovered the anchors in the wall of Clearwell #3 were too deteriorated to secure the curtain back to. It is recommended to fabricate stainless steel legs to be used as stand-alone anchors for the curtain. This will cost an additional \$88,593.07 and add 10 days to the timeline.

Ms. Viney moved and Mr. Littlejohn seconded the motion to approve management’s recommendation of the additional amount referenced in Change Order #1 of \$88,593.07 and authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute an amended contract with SE Diving. The motion passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 9 ENGINEERING

9. AGREEMENTS EXECUTED BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION

The following agreements have been executed on behalf of the Commission by the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the resolution adopted by the Commission on January 26, 2023.

A. Inside City Private Fire Service Agreements

(1) Grain District Office Building FS

Grain District Office Building, located at 245 West Main Street in Spartanburg, wishes to connect a 6-inch water line to the Commission’s 8-inch water line along Batters Alley, to serve a private fire protection system for the above-mentioned office building. Morgan & Henry JOF ESA II, LLC wishes to enter into an agreement for this service.

Annual Stand-by Revenue - \$148.76

Gene Jackson reviewed the Inside City Private Fire Service Agreement for Grain District Office Building.

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B. Outside City Private Fire Service Agreements

(1) SRHS Landrum FS

SRHS Landrum, aka Family Medicine Landrum, located at 133 North Howard Avenue in Landrum, wishes to connect a 6-inch water line to the Commission's 6-inch water line along West Coleman Street in Landrum to serve a private fire protection system, including one private hydrant, for the above-mentioned healthcare facility. Spartanburg Regional Health Services District, Inc., wishes to enter into an agreement for this service.

Annual Stand-by Revenue - \$446.32

Gene Jackson reviewed the Outside City Private Fire Service Agreement for SRHS Landrum, aka Family Medicine Landrum.

C. Outside City Water Main Extension Agreements

(1) Hudson Village

Holly Drive Properties, Inc., is developing Hudson Village off Cannons Campground Road. The development will consist of 138 residential lots, approximately 620 linear feet of 8-inch water main; 1,985 linear feet of 6-inch water main; 1,130 linear feet of 4-inch water main; 635 linear feet of 2-inch water main; and three hydrants. SWS will participate in the off-site water main construction cost in accordance with the Water Main Extension Policy.

Gene Jackson reviewed the Outside City Water Main Extension Agreement for Hudson Village.

The above was provided as information to the Commission.

10. PERMITS ISSUED AT THE RESERVOIR

Applications have been submitted and all fees have been paid on the following Lake Agreements, associated with new construction and replacement.

LAKE BOWEN RESERVOIR

- (1) William Patrick Barker and Jacqueline Elizabeth Barker**, desire to construct a personal watercraft lift on Lake Bowen.
- (2) J. Roy Bishop, Jr., and Joann M. Bishop**, desire to replace a dock on Lake Bowen.
- (3) Margaret S. Blanton**, desires to stabilize the shoreline on Lake Bowen.
- (4) Timothy Joel Edwards, Alicia Holcombe Edwards, and Coltan Drue Edwards**, desire to construct a hard pathway on Lake Bowen.

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- (5) **LeeAnn Egolf**, desires to construct a personal watercraft lift on Lake Bowen.
- (6) **Wayne B. Floyd and Kay W. Floyd**, desire to replace a dock on Lake Bowen.
- (7) **William R. Foster and Nancy R. Foster**, desire to construct a personal watercraft lift on Lake Bowen.
- (8) **Richard A. Genoble, Janet Cash Genoble, Thomas H. Genoble and Mary Pacolette Genoble**, desire to stabilize the shoreline on Lake Bowen.
- (9) **Laura W. Gordon**, desires to replace a dock on Lake Bowen.
- (10) **Russell D. Gray**, desires to construct a hard pathway and stabilize the shoreline on Lake Bowen.
- (11) **Gary C. Grigsby and Barbara D. Grigsby**, desire to replace a dock on Lake Bowen.
- (12) **Anthony R. Guarriello**, desires to construct a boat lift on Lake Bowen.
- (13) **Dan J. Hargett and Wanda L. Hargett**, desire to construct a personal watercraft lift on Lake Bowen.
- (14) **Clyde Harriger, Jr., and Donna Harriger**, desire to construct a personal watercraft lift on Lake Bowen.
- (15) **Dustin Craig Humphries and Meagan Humphries**, desire to construct a personal watercraft lift on Lake Bowen.
- (16) **Louis D. Jamison and Margaret G. Jamison**, desire to replace a dock on Lake Bowen.
- (17) **Lasse Nienhaus**, desires to construct a dock, hard pathway, and stabilize the shoreline on Lake Bowen.
- (18) **Stephen Douglas Noblin and Wanda Clack Noblin**, desire to stabilize the shoreline on Lake Bowen.
- (19) **Randel Roberts and Nancy Roberts**, desire to construct a personal watercraft lift on Lake Bowen.
- (20) **Frank Joachim Schmitt and Melissa Eileen Schmitt**, desire to replace a dock and construct a boat lift on Lake Bowen.
- (21) **Jeffrey D. Stanley and Sharon M. Stanley**, desire to stabilize the shoreline on Lake Bowen.
- (22) **Beverly G. Stigall and Edward David Stigall**, desire to construct a personal watercraft lift on Lake Bowen.

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- (23) **Jeffery Robert Todd and Melissa Ballard Todd**, desire to replace a dock and stabilize the shoreline on Lake Bowen.
- (24) **Halford Gaines Warlick, III**, desires to construct a dock and hard pathway on Lake Bowen.

LAKE BLALOCK RESERVOIR

- (1) **William David Bledsoe**, desires to construct a hard pathway on Lake Blalock.
- (2) **Randall S. Conway and Sheila E. Conway**, desire to construct a dock on Lake Blalock.
- (3) **Robert L. and Christianna K. Decker**, desire to replace a dock and construct a hard pathway on Lake Blalock.
- (4) **Charles A. Wofford, III**, desires to construct a hard pathway on Lake Blalock.

MUNICIPAL RESERVOIR 1

- (1) **Thomas S. McLean and Jane T. McLean**, desire to construct a hard pathway on Municipal Reservoir 1.

Applications have been submitted and all fees have been paid on the following Lake Agreements, associated with acknowledgement of ownership.

LAKE BOWEN RESERVOIR

- (1) **Bowen Waters LLC**, boat lift, dock replacement, personal watercraft lift, and shoreline stabilization on Lake Bowen.
- (2) **Mary Ada Ledbetter**, boat ramp, dock replacement, personal watercraft lift, and shoreline stabilization on Lake Bowen.
- (3) **Stanley W. Parker and Victoria D. Parker**, dock replacement on Lake Bowen.
- (4) **Randel Roberts and Nancy Roberts**, dock replacement and shoreline stabilization on Lake Bowen.
- (5) **Jessie Stephens Smith**, boat ramp, dock replacement, and shoreline stabilization on Lake Bowen.
- (6) **Richard D. Street, Jr., Patricia L. Street, and Margret Street**, boat ramp, dock replacement, hard pathway, and shoreline stabilization on Lake Bowen.
- (7) **Cindy Coley Yarborough**, dock replacement on Lake Bowen.

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LAKE BLALOCK RESERVOIR

- (1) **Bradley Clark and Lori Clark**, dock replacement on Lake Blalock.
- (2) **Stephen Lochner**, dock replacement and hard pathway on Lake Blalock.
- (3) **Christian Rodriguez**, dock replacement and hard pathway on Lake Blalock.

MUNCIPAL RESERVOIR #1

NONE

The above was provided as information to the Commission.

Ms. Viney asked for a status update on solar panels being installed at Whitlock. Mr. Boyle stated that the funding program with Duke Energy has expired. Rick Jolley also noted that the panels would provide less than 7% of needed electricity. Mr. Boyle stated that the solar program is not a feasible option at this time.

11. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

- A.** The Fairforest pressure zone is online for SJWD, and they will use approximately 450,000 gallons a day. Their pump station is expected to be completed in early 2026. Management expects SJWD will use approximately 2 million gallons a day after the pump station is completed.
- B.** Mr. Boyle reminded the Commission that they will need to appoint a Chair and Vice Chair at the December 2 meeting.
- C.** Mr. Boyle stated that the drought report had been provided to the Commission via email. Ken Tuck stated that based on the update received today, Spartanburg is still in the incipient drought phase and that is not expected to change even with the current precipitation.
- D.** Mr. Boyle reviewed a recent report from AWWA, Cooling the Cloud: Water Utilities in a Data-Driven World, regarding Data Center water usage. Ms. Viney had shared a concern regarding water usage at the new Data Center located in the old Kohler Plant on Pine Street. Mr. Boyle assured the Commission that SWS is capable of providing the required water, noting that SWS DWT facilities are only at approximately 40% capacity, and the Whitlock DWT facility is available if needed. Rick Jolley noted that having the facility operational also helps with the flow of water in that area. Gene Jackson also noted that Engineering is approached early on when an industry is locating within our service area, informed of volume needed, and if there are additional phases, etc. This helps ensure SWS can supply the demand.

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12. REFERRALS

Mr. Boyle stated that Finance and Administration will have the Audit Presentation, Chemical Bids, Access Control, and the Annual Grant process. Operations will have Simms Plant Emergency Procurement for VFD's. Engineering will have the Otis Boulevard Phase III Waterline Rehabilitation Summary Change Order and the Yard Road Waterline Installation Project Summary Change Oder.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Montgomery and Commissioner Littlejohn thanked Commissioner Viney for her service and wished her well in her new endeavor.

Meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

Camlyn M. Cole
Secretary-Treasurer

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