

WATER COMMITTEE
APRIL 9, 2003
MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chuck Watkins, Chairman
Dr. George Patton, Vice Chairman
Chris Cofty
Tony Parrott
Chris Venice

NON-VOTING MEMBERS: Bill McNally

STAFF PRESENT: David Jaegar, Mallett & Associates
Russell Ray

ABSENT: Jim Mallett

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Chuck Watkins at 8:00 A.M.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MEETING ON FEBRUARY 26, 2003.

Vice Chairman Dr. Patton made the motion and Tony Parrott seconded to approve the minutes from the meeting on February 26, 2003. There was no opposition.

II. REPORT ON LAKE MCINTOSH.

Attorney McNally reported this process is moving along.

III. REPORT ON LAKE PEACHTREE DREDGING PROJECT.

Mr. Parrott reported the pre-construction meeting with the contractor was last Wednesday. About 4:30 he was moving onto the job site and had already made arrangements for a place to stay. The temporary driveway will be put in, and the rest of the equipment was moved in Thursday and Friday. The turbidity barrier around the intake is installed and they are moving along. The silt will be dumped on Drake Field and then they will haul it to a place in Coweta County on Fischer Road. They have eight acres. There have been a couple of requests for it, and this is up to the contractor if they want to do so. There was a question about the dredging company being there the 4th of July, but he will be in Texas then.

Mr. Parrott referenced a letter from Peachtree City expressing concerns about their 4th of July celebration. There is concern about the contract of 150 days being past June 30th. A

letter has been sent to Peachtree City asking them to respond about the tributaries. The contractor agreed to hold his price for 30 days, and Peachtree City was notified in writing that they had to make a decision.

Mr. McNally stated he had a conversation with the Peachtree City attorney relative to the contract. The City is going to proceed with cleaning the tributaries. David Jaegar commented that the contractor has been approached by some of the property owners directly.

REQUESTS FOR LOWERING LAKE PEACHTREE

Chairman Watkins stated there have been some requests for lowering Lake Peachtree in order to do maintenance on the shore line.

Chairman Watkins made a motion to recommend to the Board of Commissioners to lower Lake Peachtree two feet beginning November 1, 2003 through the end of December, 2003 for maintenance of the shore line. Mr. Parrott seconded and there was no opposition.

IV. DISCUSSION OF WATER RESTRICTIONS.

Mr. Parrott explained the Department of Natural Resources is discussing changing the statewide water restrictions. No one will be able to water on Friday. The committee further discussed the Water System having to change the water restrictions currently in use. Mr. Parrott commented the Water System has had almost no growth in total water sales the past three years. Annual water use last year was less than the year before.

V. REPORT ON WATER SYSTEM BUILDING PROJECTS.

Mr. Parrott reported the Ellis Road water tank painting is complete. The pumps for the pump station are on the way. This project should be complete by the end of May and will be in service by the time we need it for summer water usage. The contractor installing the water line between the Ellis Road tank and Highway 92 tank is on the job. He is installing 24" pipe. Mr. Parrott remarked that the Water System has received several calls about this being a sewer line, since there is already a water line in the ground.

Mr. Parrott went on to say the storage building at South Fayette Water Plant is being advertised. This is a three bay equipment building. Next, Mr. Parrott presented the drawings for the distribution shop as drawn by Mallett & Associates. There will be space to store more of the inventory materials inside. There will also be a shower for employees to clean up after main break repairs.

Mrs. Venice asked if someone had checked Peachtree City buffer and setback requirements to be sure we are a good neighbor? Mr. Jaegar replied that he would confirm this. We have a significant buffer set up and he does not think there will be any problems. Attorney McNally pointed out that we agreed to maintain certain buffers.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Parrott made a motion to go into Executive Session for discussion of one real estate item and one legal item. Chris Cofty seconded and the committee adjourned to Executive Session.

The County Attorney advised the committee on one real estate item. Vice Chairman Dr. George Patton made a motion to recommend to the Board of Commissioners to accept this proposal. Mr. Parrott seconded and there was no opposition.

Attorney McNally advised the committee on one legal item. No action was taken.

There being no further business, Chairman Chuck Watkins adjourned the meeting at 9:00 A.M.

Chuck Watkins

The foregoing minutes were approved at the regular Water Committee meeting on the 23rd day of April, 2003.

Lisa Gillis