

**WATER COMMITTEE**  
**MAY 11, 2011**  
**MINUTES**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Pete Frisina, Chairman  
James K “Chip” Conner, Vice Chairman  
Brian Cardoza  
Tony Parrott  
Jack Krakeel  
David Jaeger

**ABSENT:**

**NON-VOTING MEMBERS:**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pete Frisina at 8:00 A.M.

**I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MEETING ON APRIL 27, 2011.**

Vice Chairman Chip Conner made the motion and Tony Parrott seconded, to approve the minutes from the meeting on April 27, 2011. There was no opposition.

**II. LAKE MCINTOSH UPDATE.**

David Jaeger presented slides showing the Danielly Wagner mitigation site on Hollonville Road. He said he and Mr. Parrott visited this site, and it was right in the path of one of the tornadoes that came through a couple of weeks ago. The grading work to divert the stream to the new stream channel had been completed. A significant amount of fencing had also been done around the perimeter of the property. Where the fence is, is where most of the trees are. He commented that this site pretty much got wiped out; the existing trees. The neighboring property owner was there while he and Mr. Parrott were there, and he told them that he had gotten a ride in a private plane and saw that the tornado had started just off of his property and then came across his property and the mitigation site and then continued across the road, hit a house, then went straight for about sixteen miles, up through Vaughn, Rio, and Sunnyside. Mr. Jaeger commented that it was pretty devastating and awesome to see. He showed a slide showing where the stream will be diverted; those major trees just got pushed over with no trouble.

Mr. Parrott commented that the neighbor had started clean up on his place. Our fence was damaged and will have to be repaired and replaced.

Mr. Jaeger said that this afternoon, Kent Campbell, our environmental consultant handling the mitigation work is going to visit the site. We have asked him about what we can do in the way of clean up that won't impact the Corps approval. His initial response is that we can come in and clean out anything that is impacting our fence, but anything that is interior to the site probably will have to be left as natural as it can be. He said he does not know if that will change, but that is the early word that he gave us.

Mr. Jaeger went on to say that the neighbor is in the process of trying to get a tree contractor to come out; with the hope that he will be able to chip up a lot of this

wood, and in exchange for the sale of the chippings, do the work. How that works out, we don't know yet, but hopefully that is an option that we will be looking at. He has also made some offerings toward assisting in rebuilding the fence. He has cattle contained in one portion of the pasture, but he said if they are there very long they will eat through all the vegetation that is there and need to be moved to another pasture. He has to rotate them, so it is in his best interest to get the fence repaired also. Mr. Jaeger said that he is a real friendly guy and seems to be easy to work with. He went on to say that we have some work ahead of us as far as clean up on this property.

Mr. Parrott explained that the Corp will want to count trees. They will pick out some spots, make it a twenty five foot radius and count stems. Then, next year, they will come back to the same spot and count stems again.

Mr. Jaeger said that he does not have an updated slide show for the dam project. Construction on our surcharge pad is continuing; we have had really good weather over the last few weeks, so they are making good progress. The contractor has it built up to about elevation 779; top of pad is at 793. They have another week or two and then they will get that topped out. They are installing settlement devices as they come up, and they are monitoring it the whole time. They are still burying debris from the clearing operation. They have been given the approval to continue on their end with three feet of cover and bury below elevation 770.

Mr. Parrott commented that we are close to being 100 percent with each one of the wetlands. We are ahead of schedule on this portion of the project.

### **III. REQUEST FOR SEASONAL PARKING PASS AT LAKE HORTON.**

Mr. Parrott said this title encompasses a lot of different situations; management, parking and everything else. He said he is still working on this. He is going to talk with Chief Collins about some kind of administrative way to handle this.

### **IV. WATER BILL INSERT REQUEST FROM PEACHTREE CITY WATER AND SEWERAGE AUTHORITY.**

Mrs. Quick said that WASA has requested to do an insert. Their draft is not ready yet, so it will be discussed at a future meeting. Mr. Parrott stated they need to show they have educational material because of the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District.

### **V. WATER BILL INSERT REQUEST FROM FAYETTE COUNTY STORMWATER DEPARTMENT.**

Mr. Parrott explained that the Stormwater insert needs to be done annually because of the North Georgia Water Planning District. The Water System insert will be done in about two weeks; Consumer Confidence Report has to be put out each year in order to be in compliance with both DCA and DNR. We have to tell the customers about the Water System.

He went on to say that we are constantly putting something in the bills now. We have approved Main Street for The Villages, The Fred Amphitheatre; we really need to come up with a system. Instead of having to send each one of these through to the Board, come up with a policy where the Board would authorize these without having to come both to the Water Committee and then the Board. When we first started out, having the opportunity to put an insert in, the Board was concerned what kind of insert would be approved. So far, it has been local groups like Main Street, The Fred, a utility, the Water System, Stormwater, and WASA.

Chairman Frisina asked, when we started inserting things, has the procedure always been that it goes to the Water Committee and then goes to the Board. Mr. Parrott replied, yes. It did not matter when it was only one a year, Take One to the Chipper, but now there are more request. Mrs. Quick commented that we are booked up through September, and we have one for the Water System in November to notify customers about the rate increase.

Chairman Frisina asked about the purpose of the Board wanting to have approval. Mr. Parrott said they wanted to approve the content. Mr. Frisina commented that we have a limit as to what we can do based on what we can mail out, there is only so much paper we can put in that envelope before it costs us more money. Mr. Parrott stated we cannot run two inserts, the stuffing machine won't handle it and it pushes the postage up. The requests go to the Board under Consent. Mrs. Quick commented that the Stormwater insert is exactly the same as last year with no changes. Mr. Parrott said the Bring One to the Chipper was always the same. The Consumer Confidence Report is the same format that it has always been.

Chairman Frisina asked if it was safe to say that most things are tied to a public agency or things of that nature. Mr. Parrott said yes. He said he would bring back a draft policy for the Water Committee to review.

Tony Parrott made the motion to recommend to the Board of Commissioners to insert information about septic system maintenance for the Stormwater Management Department in the water bills. Vice Chairman Conner seconded and there was no opposition.

### **MIEX**

Mr. Parrott reported that he has been talking to DNR about MIEX. In talking with the engineer that we had to submit plans to, he found out that she wanted specs and plans, which is more than he wanted to spend money on until we could get them to actually say that MIEX is approved for treatment. There is a MIEX facility in Georgia, in Valdosta, but it is a well system. He stated that Mr. Jaeger will prepare an engineering report. This covers our pilot test and everything else, and they will review this. At least we will have something that says they approve us to use this. If they want to move the building a few feet or make it higher, that is no big deal. We don't want to do a set of plans and then they say this

is not an acceptable treatment. He went on to say that they knew that Cobb Marietta did a pilot test for MIEX. They used 56 different combinations of treatment, everything from enhanced coagulation to GAC contactors. They decided to go with GAC contactors; they are a 75 MGD facility.

#### **TOILET REBATE PROGRAM**

Mr. Parrott stated that we are running low on the money we allocated for the toilet rebates. He said that we will need to make a recommendation on whether to continue this program or not. This item will be on the next agenda for discussion. Customers receive a credit on their water bill for the rebate amount. Some cities are even giving rebates on washers now.

There being no further business, Chairman Pete Frisina adjourned the meeting at 8:30 A.M.

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Peter A. Frisina

The foregoing minutes were approved at the regular Water Committee meeting on the 25th day of May, 2011.

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Lisa Quick