

WATER COMMITTEE
AUGUST 10, 2005
MINUTES

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

NON-VOTING MEMBERS: Bill McNally
ABSENT: Jim Mallett

STAFF PRESENT: David Jaeger
GUESTS: John Munford, The Citizen

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

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MEETING ON JULY 27, 2005.

Vice Chairman Dr. George Patton made the motion and Tony Parrott seconded, to approve the minutes from the meeting on July 27, 2005. There was no opposition.

II. LAKE PEACHTREE DAM AND SPILLWAY.

David Jaeger commented that the Water Committee discussed at the last meeting the damage to the creek channel, and the slopes downstream of the spillway of Lake Peachtree when the hurricane came through. He, Mr. Parrott and Kenny Shockley met and looked at the site. Peachtree City's engineer, Dave Borkowski also met with them and gave them some input. Mr. Jaeger presented a preliminary cost estimate based on what he and Mr. Shockley thinks it will take to repair the two locations in the creek channel, as well as add some rip rap. At the request of Mr. Borkowski, the rip rap would be grouted with concrete so it would be solid and provide a stable armoring of the creek channel in the future. Mr. Shockley feels this estimate is generous, and he most likely will come in below that. The cost estimate is based on the annual contract that is currently being executed.

Mr. Jaeger went on to say they also discussed the timing of the repair. Since Lake Peachtree is annually dropped for the homeowners to work on their docks in the fall, this could happen at the same time. There is no emergency status to this repair. The spillway being inactive during that period would be a good time to do the work.

Mr. Parrott stated, according to contract, lowering the lake has to be coordinated between the Board of Commissioners and the City of Peachtree City.

Chairman Watkins expressed concern about another rain event causing more damage. Mr. Jaeger stated there is always that opportunity. The portion of the channel that is now

unprotected could erode more. The percentage of risk that is taken on by not doing this immediately is very small. There is no impact on the operation of the dam or the spillway. This is downstream. It is a fairly isolated area where this bank was protected and now is exposed. If it were to erode more, he does not think it will be that much of a bigger issue than it is currently.

Chairman Watkins questioned concrete around the rip rap. The cost is \$7,000.00. Mr. Jaeger explained it is only a portion of the concrete. The majority of the cost is in grouting a portion of the channel armoring that currently has a lot of voids in it on the opposite side of the creek. We would still have about 75% of the concrete cost without the grouting of the rip rap. If we did not grout the rip rap, that cost would probably be \$5,000.00.

Mr. Parrott made a motion to recommend to the Board of Commissioners for Shockley Plumbing, Inc. to do the repairs at Lake Peachtree creek channel below the spillway and coordinate with City of Peachtree City to lower the lake in the month of October 2005. Vice Chairman Dr. George Patton seconded and there was no opposition.

Chairman Watkins asked that when installing new meters, consider putting in a section of pipe and hose bib above ground for subcontractors to use to get water while the house is under construction. It is working for some other municipalities. Many subcontractors pull the meter out of the ground to shoot the water out to fill up a bucket. The cost could possibly be \$30.00, and could be made mandatory for all meter sales. Mr. Parrott agreed to check into this.

There being no further business, Chairman Chuck Watkins adjourned the meeting at 8:15 A.M.

Chuck Watkins

The foregoing minutes were approved at the regular Water Committee meeting on the 24th day of August, 2005.

Lisa McElwaney