

**JACKSON COUNTY WATER
AND SEWERAGE AUTHORITY**

**MEETING MINUTES
December 9, 2010**

Chairman Randall Pugh called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present included Vice Chairman Dave Ehrhardt, Board Member Narasimhulu Neelagaru, M.D. and Board Member Dean Stringer. Also present: Manager Eric Klerk, Attorney Paul Smart, CIO/GIS Analyst Mike Johnson, Chief Engineer Fred Alke, Wastewater Manager Mark Dudziak, Water Manager Stacy Jenkins, and Finance Director Judy Davis. Visitors included Mark Beardsley with The Main Street News and Trent Lard with Sweitzer Engineering.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Ehrhardt made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 11, 2010 board meeting.

Member Neelagaru seconded the motion. The motion carried with no objection and all board members present voting.

NEW BUSINESS

Rate Analysis, Proposed Changes

Chairman Pugh gave some background on long range financial planning for the Authority. He explained that, due to several factors, we were able to get through 2010 without any rate adjustments. Chairman Pugh said it has been three years since our last rate increase. He said the increase for 2011 will be fairly nominal and we will have to go through the same planning process for 2012 and 2013.

Manager Klerk discussed Tim Grogg's professional consulting role in the rate analysis process. He and Finance Director Davis discussed the Rate Analysis presentation.

Member Neelagaru asked if this increase will carry us through 2011. Finance Director Davis said that is correct. Chairman Pugh said this increase will meet our obligations for 2011 and we will review the rates again this time next year for a possible 2012 rate adjustment. Vice Chairman Ehrhardt stated rate increases are common throughout the country.

Manager Klerk stated the increase will start with the February meter readings. He said we will give customers at least 30 day notification.

Member Ehrhardt made a motion to approve the 2011 JCWSA Rate Increase.

Member Stringer seconded the motion. The motion carried with no objection and all board members present voting.

2011 Proposed Budget

Chairman Pugh stated the 2011 JCWSA budget is similar to the 2010 budget. Manager Klerk said one change is in the capital outlay request for the Sewer Department. The request is for an upgrade to the Middle Oconee Wastewater Plant in order to increase our capacity from 300,000 gallons per day to 500,000 gallons per day.

Manager Klerk pointed out the 2011 budget is down by 2% from last year.

Member Neelagaru made a motion to approve the 2011 JCWSA Budget.

Member Ehrhardt seconded the motion. The motion carried with no objection and all board members present voting.

OLD BUSINESS

Intergovernmental Agreement with Jackson County Emergency Services

Chairman Pugh stated the agreement has been finalized for the Jackson County EMS tower attachment. Attorney Smart said the Intergovernmental Lease was sent to County Manager Darrell Hampton and will be approved at their next meeting. Attorney Smart made a recommendation to approve the lease as presented contingent upon Jackson County signing the lease at their next meeting.

Member Ehrhardt made a motion to approve the lease with Jackson County EMS contingent upon the county signing the lease.

Member Neelagaru seconded the motion. The motion carried with no objection and all board members present voting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Pugh said there was a need for an Executive Session regarding potential litigation.

Member Ehrhardt made a motion to go into executive session at 6:55 pm.

Member Neelagaru seconded the motion. The motion carried with no objection with all board members present voting.

Member Ehrhardt made a motion to come out of executive session at 7:20 pm.

Member Neelagaru seconded the motion. The motion carried with no objection with all board members present voting.

No action was taken.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Klerk informed the board that JCWSA received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Award for fiscal year 2009. Also, for the third consecutive year, Finance Director Davis received the Financial Reporting Achievement Award for 2009.

With there being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Karen Johnson
Board Secretary

Proposed Adjustment for 2011

JCWSA CONSERVATION RATES	BASE	TIER 1 2,001 - 5,700	MIN	TIER #2 5,701 - 7,500	TIER #3 OVER 7,500
WATER W-1 + W-1 GF	19.00	5.75	2,000	8.75	11.50
IRRIGATION	BASE	TIER 1 1,001 - 5,700	MIN	TIER #2 5,701 - 7,500	TIER #3 OVER 7,500
TRADITIONS/HERITAGE PT/SOP/VILLAGE OF PENDERGRASS/BRASELTON FARMS/ CHARLOTTE ESTATES IRRIGATION	7.25	5.75	1,000	8.75	11.50
IRRIGATION 1"	22.00	5.75	2,000	8.75	11.50
IRRIGATION 1.5"	30.00	5.75	2,000	8.75	11.50
IRRIGATION 2"	42.00	5.75	2,000	8.75	11.50
LARGE METERS	BASE	TIER 1 2,001 - 35,000	MIN	TIER #2 35,001 - 291,000	TIER #3 OVER 291,000
WATER 2"	84.00	6.90	2,000	10.50	13.80
LARGE METERS [3" - 4" - 6"]	BASE	TIER 1 2,001 - 100,000	MIN	TIER #2 100,001 - 500,000	TIER #3 OVER 500,000
WATER 3"	210.00	6.90	2,000	10.50	13.80
WATER 4"	288.00	6.90	2,000	10.50	13.80
WATER 6"	492.00	6.90	2,000	10.50	13.80
SMALL METERS	BASE	TIER 1 2,001 - 14,000	MIN	TIER #2 14,001 - 50,000	TIER #3 OVER 50,000
WATER 1"	30.00	6.90	2,000	10.50	13.80
SMALL METERS	BASE	TIER 1 2,001 - 31,000	MIN	TIER #2 31,001 - 82,000	TIER #3 OVER 82,000
WATER 1.5"	42.00	6.90	2,000	10.50	13.80
FIRELINES & HYDRANTS	BASE	TIER 1 2,001 - 31,000	MIN	TIER #2 31,001 - 82,000	TIER #3 OVER 82,000
FIRELINE 3"	210.00	6.90	2,000	10.50	13.80
FIRELINE 8"	624.00	6.90	2,000	10.50	13.80
FIRELINE 10"	762.00	6.90	2,000	10.50	13.80
UNMETERED FIRELINE 4	288.00				
UNMETERED FIRELINE 6	492.00				
UNMETERED FIRELINE 8	624.00				
UNMETERED FIRELINE 10	762.00				
HYDRANT - LARGE	144.00	6.90	2,000	10.50	13.80
HYDRANT - SMALL	58.00	6.90	2,000	10.50	13.80
W1 - COMMERCIAL - 5/8 & 3/4	BASE	TIER 1 2,001 - 14,600	MIN	TIER #2 14,601 - 60,000	TIER #3 OVER 60,000
W1 - COMMERCIAL	22.00	6.90	2,000	10.50	13.80

JCWSA Conservation Rates	Base	Minimum	Tier 1
Sewer	\$18.00	2,000	\$7.80