Emergency Meeting Minutes December 18, 2013

Mayor Lewis called the emergency meeting to order at 8:30am. Members present were Commissioners Harold Meacombs, Danny Alford, Cherrye Davis, Ann Lewis and J.W. McClenny. Amanda Clark with the Nashville Graphic was the only guest. The purpose of the emergency meeting was to review the quote from Russell Underwood with Charles Underwood, Inc. for critical repairs needed for sewer lift stations 6, 7, & 8. Mike Meyer with Envirolink, the town's ORC (operator in responsible charge) recommended to the Board of Commissioners at the December 9, 2013 meeting that theses lift station repairs were a top priority and needed repairs should be completed as soon as feasibly possible. Mr. Underwood advised these repairs could possibly be completed before Christmas if he could get the quote completed and get an answer in the next few days.

Mayor Lewis presented the quote and recommended to replace the two pumps at lift station #8, replace belts, install belt guards, fix bar screen, base panels at bar screen, and fix some electrical at this time, totaling \$15,750, which does not include the bypass value. He has been checking into funding from various sources for grants and/or loans through the Upper Coastal Council of Governments (COG) and Southern Bank to complete the entire project of lift station repairs as presented by Russell Underwood. At this time, the \$15,750 will be an out of pocket expense to the town. However, lift station #8 will be brand new, so a bypass will not be as critical. The other recommended upgrades can be completed when funding is available.

Commissioner Ann Lewis asked if the motors at lift station #8 have been evaluated. Mayor Lewis replied that they would be inspected during this repair and if the motors need repairs, Russell will provide the cost. Mayor Lewis will also request Mr. Underwood to provide a quote for all repairs for the whole system (all lift stations). If the Board makes a decision now, Mr. Underwood could be here tomorrow to begin the repairs. The repair of the bar screen should reduce the waste water treatment costs from the City of Raleigh.

Mayor Lewis advised we may qualify for a 100% principal forgiveness loan. If funding comes through CDBG or state revolving funds, there will be engineering costs associated with the PER (preliminary engineering report). Mayor Lewis is also checking into local funding.

Bypass values costs \$5,800 each, but Mr. Underwood can show town personnel how to install and the cost will be reduced to around \$3,000 for each lift station. If the time frame for funding is not in the near future, we may have to rebuild one pump at lift station 6, and one pump at lift station #7 and pay with town funds. Mayor Lewis reported that the old flow meter was disposed of and the large pile of dirt removed from lift station 7 yesterday.

Mr. Underwood is working on a quote to move lift station 10 (on Buck Deans Road that only services one home) to lift station 4 on E. Hanes Avenue.

Commissioner McClenny moved to go with the quote for \$15,750 from Charles Underwood, Inc., for rebuilding lift station #8 and to hold off on the other lift station repairs for funding. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Alford and passed with a unanimous vote.

Being no further business, Commissioner Alford moved to adjourn.

Jennifer Lambert, Clerk

Mayor Luther H. Lewis, Jr. Commissioners Harold Meacombs Danny Alford Cherrye Davis Ann Lewis J.W. McClenny