

MEETING MINUTES

Augusta Regional Sewer Authority

Date: August 10, 2021

Members present for the meeting as follows:

Randal Smith
Gary Norris
Tom Malone
John Scott
Greg Mains

Secretary Report

Minutes for the July 29, 2021 special meeting was approved upon unanimous vote after motion by John Scott, and second by Tom Malone.

Old Business

BP Pipeline has been asked to complete the cleanup before moving to another site.

We have prepared a letter to send to BP Pipeline bonding company explaining our concerns with getting satisfactory cleanup after construction. It will be sent tomorrow.

We have sent a letter to BP Pipeline describing the increase of the retainer to 10% until all cleanup is completed and satisfactory. This retainer will be held until all Property Owner Release forms are signed.

The Augusta pump station site is delayed until we get a resolution from archeological.

We are finalizing an updated customer agreement for a new sign up period for new customers to get a grinder pump and install at no cost.

Discussions on vacant lots wanting grinder pumps that signed up and paid \$3000 to hold one until ready to install.

Motion by Greg Mains for the unique situation to return a \$3000 signup fee to a vacant lot property owner and make a grinder pump available to them dependent on ARSA grinder pump availability. Second by Tom Malone. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Motion by Tom Malone to rescind passed motion made on June 15, 2021 to keep a grinder pump for a sign up with an empty lot until January 2022. They will be responsible for the cost to install. Second by Gary Norris to rescind previous motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Motion by Gary Norris to make grinder pumps available to new customers until our excess is gone. We will keep three pumps for spares. The installation will be paid for by the customer. Second by Tom Malone. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

There were complications at the Nursing home site that led us to request a new easement. We requested an easement from a property owner for a path that would give us a shorter route to the sewer line. The property owner refused the easement request due to the poor performance of work and cleanup they had already experienced from BP Pipeline.

Motion by John Scott to give Greg Mains authorization to pay for easement and legal fees. Second by Tom Malone. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

New Business

Discussions on paying monthly utility bills and other reoccurring bills.

Motion by Gary Norris to make a standing order to authorize the treasurer to pay monthly utility bills. Second by John Scott. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Other Business

WWTP is delayed because Aeromod found a little problem and need to make a revision that will slow us down on time and will not cost any more.

Public Comment

No action was taken during public comment.

The board addressed all public questions and concerns during the public comment period.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Tom Malone and second by Gary Norris. Passed by unanimous vote.

I certify this to be a true and exact copy of the minutes of the August 10, 2021 ARSA meeting.

Chairman 
Randal Smith

Date 9-14-21

Secretary 
Gary Norris

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