

## **MINUTES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BEAUFORT-JASPER WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 4/5/2023**

Be it remembered that the Members of the Beaufort-Jasper Water and Sewer Authority held a special meeting Wednesday, 4/5/2023 virtually. This meeting met the notice requirements of, and was properly constituted pursuant to, Chapter 4, Section 30-4-80(A) of the Code of Laws for South Carolina, 1976, as amended, commonly known as the "Freedom of Information Act".

### **ATTENDANCE**

*Members of the Authority:* Chair Jimmy Baker, Vice-Chair Greg Padgett, Secretary/Treasurer Donna Altman, Michael Bell, Lorraine Bond, Andy Kinghorn, Rob McFee, Thayer Rivers, Jerry Schulze (absent), Dr. Bill Singleton (absent), and David Strange.

*Leadership:* Joe Mantua, General Manager; Sarah Linkimer Deputy General Manager; Brian Chemsak, Chief of Plant Operations; Kenneth Frazier, Chief of Technical Services; Beth Lowther, Chief of Finance & Support Services; Linda Tillery, Chief of Customer Care; Pamela Flasch, Director of Public Affairs; Curt Palmer, Director of Human Resources; Steven Pecko, Accounting Manager; Jon Torrescano, IT Manager; Phillip McCright, IT Systems Engineer; Libby Breland, Executive Assistant/Clerk to the Board.

*Legal Counsel:* Erin Dean, Esq., Tupper, Grimsley, Dean & Canaday, PA

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting convened at 1:00 p.m., Chairman Jimmy Baker presiding.

### **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Baker gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Chairman Baker read into record the following statements:*

Public Comments may be submitted electronically by emailing your comments to [publicmeeting@bjwsa.org](mailto:publicmeeting@bjwsa.org). Advanced Comments will be accepted up to 1 hour prior to the scheduled meeting start time and shall be limited to three (3) minutes or 390 words. All Advanced Comments will be provided to the Chair and read aloud for the record during the initial Public Comment period.

Public Comments may also be submitted throughout the course of the meeting. Those comments should also be emailed to [publicmeeting@bjwsa.org](mailto:publicmeeting@bjwsa.org) and limited to 3 minutes or 390 words. Comments submitted during the meeting will be provided to the Chair and read aloud.

There were no comments received in advanced.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Approval of Capital Funding in the amount of \$180,526.75 to be used for Robert Smalls International Academy Redevelopment Project Phase 1 BJWSA No. 2021-075.

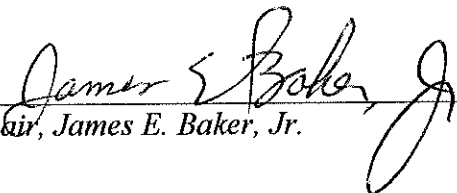
**Motion:** Moved by, *Rob McFee*, seconded by, *Lorraine Bond*, to approve Capital Funding in the amount of \$180,526.75 to be used for Robert Smalls International Academy Redevelopment Project Phase 1 BJWSA No. 2021-075, as presented and referenced in the memorandum from James Clardy dated 3/22/2023 and is attached to these minutes and is made a part hereof:


**Discussion:** Several issues regarding the request for betterments and the requirements associated therewith were discussed. The Board will undertake further review of the betterment provisions in the DPPM moving forward.

**Vote:** After a Roll Call Vote, Thayer Rivers and Jerry Schulze voted by proxy, the motion passed, 9-0.

#### ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, and without objection, Chairman Baker, declared the meeting adjourned at, 1:26 p.m.

  
Chair, James E. Baker, Jr.

  
Secretary/Treasurer, Donna L. Altman

APPROVED: 4-27-2023  
Respectfully submitted,  
Libby Breland, Clerk to Board  
Signatures and Attachments on file.