

The special Commission meeting of the SJWD Water District was held at 307 Spartanburg Highway, Wellford, South Carolina with the following present:

Commissioners: *Buddy Carlton, Brian Leonard, Wanda Fowler, Barry Frost and Frank Nutt.*

Staff: *Kim Fortner, Billy Cothran, Julie Gillespie, Mike Frost, Jeff Diaz, Larry Christopher, and Jake Lancaster.*

Guests: *Mark Rutimiller and Marvin Anderson*

The agenda for the meeting was emailed to WSPA TV and the *Spartanburg Herald-Journal* and posted in the lobby and on SJWD's website.

Buddy Carlton called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT

Buddy Carlton opened the floor for public comment.

Mark Rutimiller presented to the commission his desire to purchase approximately 100 acres east of the river and south of the dam on the South Tyger Rive at Berry Shoals Pond. Mr. Rutimiller would like to revitalize the hydropower facility and sell the power to Duke Energy to make the project financially feasible. He anticipates generating 2-2 ½ MW. The northeast portion of the property would be maintained for potential residential development. The project would take several years to be permitted.

Marvin Anderson presented to the commission his desire to purchase all the property south of the dam to preserve its natural beauty. He wants to construct an overlook to see the back of the dam. He would like to place a conservation easement on the property to protect it long-term. Mr. Anderson also said he was agreeable to creating a Board to have long-term control over the property. The Board would be made up of representatives from SJWD and other potential interested parties.

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED SELL OR PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AROUND BERRY'S POND AND PROPOSED SELL OF MAIN CAMPUS PROPERTY

At 10:23 a.m., Barry Frost made a motion, which was seconded by Wanda Fowler, to enter Executive Session. The motion was approved.

At 12:02 p.m., Barry Frost made a motion, which was seconded by Frank Nutt, to exit Executive Session. The motion was approved.

ANY ACTION, IF NECESSARY, FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

No action was taken for the Proposed Sell or Purchase of Property Around Berry's Pond discussion.


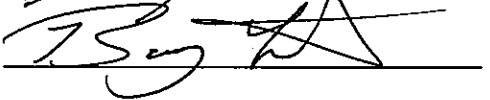
Barry Frost made a motion, which was seconded by Brian Leonard, to sell the Main Campus Property to the Town of Wellford.

MISCELLANEOUS ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

At 12:08 p.m., Barry Frost made a motion, which was seconded by Frank Nutt, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved.

The next regular meeting is Tuesday, November 22, 2023, at 10:30 a.m.

Read & Approved

Wanda Fowler
Secretary

