



## Beaufort County Stormwater Management Utility Board (SWMU Board) Meeting Minutes

February 14, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.

County Council Chambers, 100 Ribaut Rd, Beaufort, SC

### Board Members

#### Present

James Clark  
Patrick Mitchell  
Ron Buchanan  
Dennis Ross  
Bill Baugher

#### Absent

Steve Andrews  
Ed Warner  
Mark Feinberg

### Ex-Officio Members

#### Present

#### Absent

Nate Farrow  
Jeff Netzinger  
Van Willis

### Beaufort County Staff

Dafiney Butler  
Taylor Brewer  
Tammy Doe  
Bradley Harriott

Katie Herrera

### Visitors

Alice Howard, County Council  
Jacob Terry- ToHHI  
Paula Brown- District #8  
Norris B. City of Beaufort

### 1. Meeting called to order – Patrick Mitchell at 2:04 pm

- A. Agenda – Approved
- B. Approval of Minutes – Approved

### 2. Introductions – Completed.

### 3. Public Comment(s) – Resident Mr. Herman Kramer of 6 Oyster St. regarding drainage issues. Ms. Laura Wilson representing the Alljoy community.

### 4. Reports

*Reports attached in agenda*

#### **Highlights:**

#### A. Utility Update – Taylor Brewer

- ✓ Special Presentation
  - Currently no updates for springtime meetings.
- ✓ Annual Financial Report
  - Still waiting on some outstanding annual physical fiscal reports from those jurisdictions we have received none aside from Town of Hilton Head.

#### B. Monitoring Update – Daniel Pettay

***Highlights:***

- ✓ Monitoring is ongoing.
- ✓ Continue to work on the annual report in reference to the monitoring locations that the lab runs.

**C. Stormwater Implementation Committee (SWIC) Report – Tammy Doe**

***Highlights:***

- ✓ Discussion on the FY2025 planning
- ✓ The discussion regarding CWI fee.

**D. Regional Coordination – Taylor Brewer**

- ✓ Old Woodlands, the drainage easement for 55 Garden property has been approved. Working within the Rightway and easements to clean the drainage system.
- ✓ Ditch Maintenance are being cleared and unclogged.

**E. Stormwater Related Projects – Taylor Brewer**

***Highlights:***

- ✓ Continue to meet regularly about projects.
- ✓ Watershed Regional Detention Basin Phase 2.
- ✓ Victory Creek is still pending.
- ✓ Huspah Court project going well with having to extend the pipe a little further.
- ✓ Bessie Lane being monitored closely.
- ✓ St.Helena Drainage study is completed.

**F. Professional Contracts Report – Taylor Brewer**

***Highlights:***

- ✓ Brewer Memorial – Closing out with engineer of record. Hoping to have a open house to showcase everything.
- ✓ Stormwater engineering consulting services – Woolpert
  - 1) Scope #11 – Northern Lady’s Island Drainage project, the initial work has began.
  - 2) Scope #12 – Monitoring Station (continuous monitoring)
  - 3) Scope #13 – General permit assistance.
  - 4) Scope #14 – Rivers End Water Quality (Received Draft Report)
  - 5) Scope # 21- Working with DNR the Port Royal Sound to install the next monitoring station.
- ✓ Scopes on County and Woolpert Radar
  - 1) SWMP Updates- Staff to update stormwater management plan per DHEC.
  - 2) 5 Year Stormwater Utility Fee Assessment-Budget deep dive to look at next TY SWU fees.

**G. Municipal Reports**

***Highlights:***

- ✓ Town of Hilton Head (Brian Eber)

- 2 New Stormwater Inspectors
  - 150 Single Family Pulls
  - 25 General permits
  - Spearheaded two educational programs. Volunteers from the association collected over 425 oysters for restoration and erosion in about 1.5hrs.
- ✓ Town of Bluffton (From Nate Farrow)
    - 319 grant is still on going.
    - Town of Bluffton Heyward Cove study is completed.
    - Calhoun Restaurant area north project is still on going.
  - ✓ City of Beaufort (Katie Herrera)
    - Leveraged funds from Federal Program for the Baynard St Drainage Project.

**H. MS4 Update – Taylor Brewer**

***Highlights:***

- ✓ Plan Review – steady influx.
- ✓ Stormwater Permits
- ✓ Inspectors monitoring every open construction site in the unincorporated Beaufort County areas.
- ✓ Education Report- Ellen Sturup Comeau
  - Solar Water Conservation District

**I. Maintenance Projects Report – Stephen Carter.**

***Highlights:***

- ✓ Major projects:
  - Greene Street Gym Maintenance- Port Royal
  - Flycatcher and Chickadee Lane- Lady’s Island
  - Town of Hilton Head Island Nazarene Road- Hilton Head Island
- ✓ Minor or routine projects:
  - Tropicana Rd-Port Royal
  - Providence Rd- Port Royal
  - Brickyard Hills Court- Lady’s Island

**J. Liaison Report – Alice Howard**

- ✓ Ms. Howard wanted to introduce County Council Member Ms. Paula Brown, District #8.
- ✓ Recently had a great meeting with the Shellpoint Community.
- ✓ Previously had a meeting with Neil Dasai, Jared Fralix, and constituents on Chamilia Dr. which is next to Arthor Horne Park.

**5. Unfinished Business –**

- ✓ No updates as of now.

**6. New Business-**

- ✓ Staff updates- Environmental Educator Position Open

**7. No Public Comment.**

- ✓ Residents of Alljoy wanted to thank Mr. Steven Carter and his crew for doing an amazing job.

**8. Meeting Adjourned**

- ✓ Meeting adjourned at 2:57pm