

**MINUTES**  
**WATER SEWER ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**Thursday, May 5, 2005**  
**7:00 PM Town Barn**

Members Present: Paul Kimple, Katherine Sanders, Dan Barker, Dorothy Johnson and James Watts  
Members Absent: Chris Cole, Jim Singleton and one vacant position  
Elected Officials: none  
Staff: Kenny Keel and Julie Vance  
Visitors: Jimmy Gooch

ITEM #1 Chair Watts called meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

ITEM #2 No items were added to the agenda.

ITEM #3 A motion was made by Kimple and Seconded by Sanders to accept the  
**MOTION:** April meeting minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

ITEM #4 The April Engineering Status Report included briefing on the following:

- WWTP was non-compliant with discharge permit due to slightly elevated residual chlorine levels. We are still
- WTP upgrade money from the State will no longer be available after August 31, 2005. It should not be a problem completing this.
- System-wide flushing is almost complete, the hydrants in Churton Grove are the only ones left.
- Smoke testing for the Sewer Evaluation is currently being conducted throughout the Historic District and on Elizabeth Brady Road.
- We hope to begin treating the water with Chloramines on July 6, 2005.

May 9<sup>th</sup> Town Board Meeting water/sewer agenda items:

- Officially accepting the utilities at Churton Grove on the consent agenda.
- Abolishing combined water and sewer capital facility accounts to established separate ones.

ITEM #5 Town Board Update:  
April 11 – no one attended

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April 25 – James Watts

- No water and sewer issues were discussed. Watts gave a brief overview of items discussed. They were as follows:

ITEM #6 Vance presented the committee with a final edit of the 2004 Water Quality Report that includes the required information concerning the quality of water produced by the Town of Hillsborough. The report is at the printers and should be in the mail by the end of May.

ITEM #7 Watts distributed a written statement that will be presented to the Town Board during the public hearing to review the proposed water fund budget. The statement is a request for the Board to allocate funds towards the further evaluation of cost of delivery of in-town versus out-of-town water.

The committee moved to make the following resolution:

We, members of the Hillsborough Water and Sewer Advisory Committee request that you, the Town Board of Commissioners, allocate funds in the 2006 Budget to conduct a water rate study that accurately determines the cost of delivering water and sewer services to both the in town and out of town customers. This work has been recommended in every report that the WSAC has delivered to the Town Board of Commissioners since the creation of the WSAC.

The WSAC congratulated the Town Board of Commissioners for addressing the perceived inequities of the "double rate" policy when you decided to reduce the rate multiplier charged to out of town customers to 195% of the in town rates. We applauded when the Board indicated that it would continue to reduce the rate multiplier in future rate deliberations. Now, we ask the Board of Commissioners to turn intent into action by funding a rate study to determine the correct rate multiplier for out of town customers.

We, the WSAC, remain focused on working with you and the Water/Sewer utility staff to ensure the continued success of the

ITEM #8 Barker made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Sanders seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:33 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Julie Vance  
Utilities Analyst