

Charleston Water Conservancy District Board Meeting

Date: Tuesday, May 13, 2025

Time: 7:04 PM

Location: Charleston Water Conservancy District Office

Attendees:

- Board Members: Alan, Don, Wade, Mike
- Others: Jim Hicks, Steve, Natalie Frogley Fred Philpot (phone), Tavis Timothy, Jessica Shepard
- Excused Luara

Agenda:

1. Call to Order

- Meeting called to order at 7:04 PM by the Wade

2. Approval of Minutes

- Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed and approved.

2. General Business

○ **Water Rates Discussion:**

- Fred presented the updated water rate model, projecting a 43% increase from \$35 to \$50 by 2026, with annual \$5 increases through 2034
- Discussion on the impact of capital investments and the need for rate increases to fund these projects
- Discussion to revisit the rate model in 2028

○ **Electric Line Issue:**

- Bill informed about the contractor's plan to remove the existing electric line, requiring budget adjustments for new installations

○ **Capital Improvement Plan:**

- Discussion on the capital improvement list and inflation adjustments
- Consideration of low-interest loans for future capital projects

2. Project Updates

- **Water Line Replacement:**
 - Plans to replace the water line on 3400 South need to get bid out and back by next meeting
 - Discussion on the placement of new meters and hydrants
- **Hydrant Exercise Program:**
 - Plan to exercise 10-15 hydrants per month Dave will work on this

2. Financial Report

- Review and approval of bills

2. Public Comments

- Jim discussed a water leak issue and the board approved a credit of 55,000 gallons on his upcoming bill
- Dr. Frogley requested a will-serve letter for a new property

2. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.