

Horry County Stormwater Advisory Board
Wednesday, September 22, 2021 @ 3:00 p.m.
Multi-Purpose Room B
Conway, SC

Members Present: Austin Graham, Dan Sennema, Tripp Nealy, Harry Parnell, and Johnny Staples.

Members Absent: Brian Pugsley, Lynn Baer and Brad Hardwick

Staff members present: Thom Roth, Brandon Wagner, Michelle Crocker, and Chelsea Cogliano

Others present:

In accordance with the FOIA, a public notice of the meeting was advertised on the Government Access Channel stating the date, time and location of the meeting. Additionally, the meeting was posted on the HCG Website Calendar.

Call to Order: Austin Graham called the meeting to order.

Dan Sennema led the invocation.
Harry Parnell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Input: NONE

Approval of July 14, 2021 Minutes –

Dan Sennema made a motion to approve July 14, 2022 minutes. Harry Parnell seconded the motion, all approved.

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Discussion Items –

Old Business

♦None

New Business

♦ *Brandon Wagner discussed the Stormwater Minor Subdivisions Ordinance. The previous ordinance stated subdivisions with 10 lots or less with an existing road are exempt from Stormwater permitting and submitting grading and erosion control plans. The new ordinance will change to 4 lots or less. Those plans will be stamped exempt from permitting with a caveat that they will need to provide documentation the land disturbance will be less than one acre. If they intend to build on the property, they will have to submit a drainage plan and obtain a Stormwater permit. Brandon also mentioned detention waivers. If they can leave the lot less than an acre undisturbed and vegetative growth covering it they will be exempt from submitting water quality calculations and detention calculations. Detention waivers will be given on a case by case basis. Staff members are currently looking into creating guidelines and possibly a check list to help developers determine what is and what is not allowed. If the minor subdivision shares a common drainage facility a ditch or swale will need to be installed prior to building on the lots. The developer will be responsible for installation. Brandon also stated that they are working with legal on how to prevent easements from being dissolved by deed.*

♦*Brandon Wagner went over proposed updates to the Stormwater Design Manual. The current manual was last updated in 2017. Brandon went over the list of items staff is currently looking to add or change within the manual. These items include pipe design, grading and drainage, sediment and erosion control, general design, detention ponds, easements and legal boundaries. Improving water quality standards throughout the county is also on top of the list. Brandon wants to work with local MS4's to ensure consistency. After discussing the list of items and answering questions with SWAB Members, Brandon asked them to review the current manual and list of proposed changes that were presented today and we will have a round table discussion during the November meeting. As of right now we do not have a deadline to complete the update, but we would like for it to be done by next summer.*

♦*Thom Roth- Capital Improvement Projects which include;*

- *Hwy 9 Culvert- one step closer, SCDOT is waiting on a letter stating we will be responsible downstream.*
- *Grier Crossing- Planning to start next week, this is a shared cost with the State.*
- *Folly Road Outfall- Will be done within the next two months, this will relieve water on Socastee Blvd.*

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- *Socastee Creek Benching- Will go out for bid in the fall. Thanks to Heather Crawford this will be funded by the state.*
- *Spring Lakes Outfall- Completed*
- *Simpson Creek Lower Reach- Completed, several blockages removed.*
- *Greer Crossing- ¾ complete.*
- *Folly Road- Part one upgrading with pipes will start on Monday. Part two Outfall portion is awaiting supplies.*
- *Mt Gilead- Starting in a week or two.*
- *Light Keepers Marina- Waiting on permitting.*

♦*Thom Roth- Gave a brief update on equipment orders and new hires.*

Equipment

- *7 excavators ordered in July, 1 here, 3 at Blanchard, 3 should be here in December*
- *15 F-150's ordered in July should be here in December*
- *Argo, Drone and Wetland Mats all have been ordered*

New Hires

- *2 ROW Technicians*
- *1 Project manager*
- *1 Plan Reviewer*
- *1 Inspector*
- *1 USDA Beaver Trapper*

We currently have three vacancies, District 1, 3, and 8.

Next meeting is scheduled for at November 17th @ 3pm in Room B at the Government & Justice Center.

End of discussion items.

Dan Sennema made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Johnny Staples seconded it, all members approved.