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VERNA ARNETTE, GENERAL MANAGER

AGENDA

Regular Meeting of the Members of the Authority

Thursday, 12/18/2025, 9:00 am

Executive Board Room, 109B, Administration Building

6 Snake Road, Okatie SC

This meeting is being held in person and virtually in accordance with BJWSA Bylaws, as amended, and can be viewed live on the BJWSA's website page:

(<https://bjwsa.org/publicmeeting/>)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Telephonic Statement (if needed)

II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Telephonic Statement (if needed)

Public Comments may be made in person at this meeting or submitted electronically by emailing your comments to publicmeeting@bjwsa.org. Advanced Comments will be accepted up to 1 hour prior to the scheduled meeting start time and shall be limited to three (3) minutes or 390 words. All Advanced Comments will be provided to the Chair and read aloud for the record during the initial Public Comment period. Comments presented in person will be limited to three (3) minutes.

Public Comments may also be submitted throughout the course of the meeting. Those comments should also be emailed to publicmeeting@bjwsa.org and limited to 3 minutes or 390 words. Comments submitted during the meeting will be provided to the Chair and read aloud as indicated in Item XII, noted below.

GREGORY A. PADGETT
CHAIR

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DAVID R. STRANGE

J. ROBERT MCFEE, P. E.

IV. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting of 11/20/2025

VI. GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Executive Committee – *Committee Chair, Greg Padgett*
- B. Capital Projects Committee – *Committee Chair, Rob McFee*
- C. Finance Committee - *Committee Chair, David Strange*
- D. Personnel Committee – *Committee Chair, Jimmy Baker*
- E. Underserved Areas Ad Hoc Committee-*Committee Chair, Michael Bell*
- F. Local Government Ad Hoc Committee- *Committee Chair, Acting Chair, Jimmy Baker*

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Contract Award for CIP-2478 Port Royal Island Water Reclamation Facility Phase 1 for Engineering Design Services to Brown and Caldwell in the amount of \$332,963.00
2. Approval of Contract Award for CIP-2490 Miscellaneous Plant Equipment FY26-No. 3 St. Helena Wastewater Treatment Plant Static Screen Replacement to BRW Construction Group LLC. in the amount of \$188,870.00
3. Approval of Contract Amendment for CIP-1958 Cherry Point Water Reclamation Facility Expansion to 11.25 MGD: Amendment 5 to Task Order 4 to support the continued Construction Administration and Resident Project Representative Services to Black & Veatch in the amount of \$2,877,310.00
4. Approval of Memorandum of Agreement for CIP-2491 James D. Washington Paving Project with Beaufort County for utility relocation in the amount of \$274,971.00
5. Approval of Agreements for CIP-2516 Charles and Craven Street Drainage Improvement Project Improvement Project (Act 36 Utility Relocation) with the city of Beaufort and the South Carolina Office of Resiliency for utility relocation in the amount of \$451,117.90
6. Approval of Contract Renewal of Congressionally Directed Spending & Advocacy Services to Thorn Run Partners for an additional year with an annual fee of \$90,000

IX. OLD BUSINESS

There is no old business

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. FY25 Audit Presentation-*Kirk Arich*
2. Approval of Travel Policy

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Discussion and Legal Advice pursuant to SC Code Ann. Section 30-4-70(a)(2) regarding:

1. New River Property Acquisition update
2. PFAS Update
3. Hilton Head PSD, Broad Creek PSD contract update
4. Year-end Round Up of all Pending Litigation
 - a. Francis Coaxum and Pamela Coaxum v. BJWSA
 - b. Kathy McCaskey v. BJWSA
 - c. Mary Moriarity v. BJWSA
 - d. Rachael Slapshak v. BJWSA
 - e. Addie White v. BJWSA
 - f. WC case Shaw v. BJWSA

XII. RECONVENE

XIII. ITEMS COMING OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

(Telephonic Statement)

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comments submitted throughout the course of the meeting should also be emailed to publicmeeting@bjwsa.org and limited to 3 minutes or 390 words. Comments submitted during the meeting will be provided to the Chair once the meeting has been reconvened following Executive Session and read aloud for the record at this time.

XV. ADJOURNMENTⁱ

ⁱ Next Scheduled Meeting Thursday, 1/22/2026 9:00 a.m.

Section 30-40-80(A)(D)(E) In accordance with Chapter 4, Title 30, South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, commonly known as the “Freedom of Information Act” (FOIA), as amended, notification of regular meetings was given at the beginning of the calendar year. This agenda was posted on the Authority’s bulletin board and website at www.bjwsa.org twenty-four hours prior to the meeting. A copy of the agenda was given to the requested public on file. Local media was properly notified.

*Article X, Section 2(g), BJWSA Bylaws, as amended, with respect to any electronic meeting, any public comment periods provided for by local ordinance, resolution, policy, or bylaws are hereby suspended. Members of the public may submit written public comments which shall be distributed to the members of the Authority both before and during the meeting as set forth in the agenda.