

MEETING AGENDA

Somerset County Sanitary District, Inc.

SOMERSET COUNTY SANITARY DISTRICT

**Date: August 8, 2019
2:00 PM**

**Location: Somerset County Office Complex
Room 111 Princess Anne, MD**

PUBLIC MEETING 2:00 p.m.

Smith Island Clean Water Project

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Somerset County Sanitary Commission
Public Meeting – Smith Island Clean Water Project
August 8, 2019

**SOMERSET COUNTY SANITARY DISTRICT, INC.
PUBLIC MEETING – SMITH ISLAND CLEAN WATER PROJECT**

A Public meeting was held on Thursday, August 8, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. in Room 111 of the Somerset County Office Complex for the purpose of providing information and invite public comment concerning the Smith Island Clean Water Project.

Persons attending the meeting were Anthony Stockus, Manager, Starr Mister, Office Manager, Jennie Marshall, Administrative Aide, Earl Ludy, Superintendent, Heather Konyar, Attorney, Cockey, Brennan & Maloney, Adam Riggan, Chairman, Charles Bagley, Vice-Chairman, Ellen Bush, Secretary-Treasurer, Maxine Landon, Member, Drenda Hall, Member, Chris Derbyshire, P.E., George, Miles & Buhr and Richard Crumbacker, Somerset County Times.

Ms. Mister read the following advertisement for the meeting and stated there were no public comments received by mail.

Notice is hereby given that the Somerset County Sanitary Commission shall convene a Public Meeting on Thursday, August 8, 2019 at 2 o'clock p.m. to provide information and invite comment on the Smith Island Clean Water Project. Topics addressed shall include economic and environmental impacts, construction schedule, service area, and estimated rates. The Public Meeting shall be in Room 111 of the Somerset County Office Complex, 11916 Somerset Avenue, Princess Anne, Maryland.

Chris Derbyshire provided a brief history of the existing Waste Water Treatment Plants (WWTP) and three pump stations built in the 1970's located on Ewell and Tylerton. Mr. Derbyshire explained the present deteriorated state of the Plants and need for the upgrade.

There are four Construction Contracts in the Smith Island Clean Water Project:

- The Timber Deck
- Wastewater Treatment Plant
- Force Main
- Three Pump Stations

The Timber Deck, the platform for the new wastewater treatment plant, is complete. The new wastewater treatment plant will serve Ewell, Rhodes Point and Tylerton. The WWTP will have the capacity to treat 40,000 gallons per day. The Force Main will allow waste from Tylerton to pump to the Rhodes Point pump station, eliminating the Tylerton WWTP. The final construction phase will be modifying the three pump stations to current standards. Project completion is projected March 2021.

Ms. Mister presented the financing of the project as follows:

Total Project Cost: \$9,261,341

Grants:

- USDA Water & Waste Disposal Grant
 - \$3,000,000

- MDE Bay Restoration Fund BNR/ENR Grant
 - \$3,479,986
- MDE Supplemental Grant
 - \$636,414
- MDE WQSRF Loan Forgiveness
 - \$1,000,000

Total Grant: \$8,116,400

Loans:

- MDE \$1,000,000
 - 30 year loan at .06% plus 5% Administrative Fee
- USDA \$83,000
 - 40 year loan at 2.375%

Total Loans: \$1,083,000

Local Contribution:

- Somerset County Sanitary District
 - \$61,941

Total Local Contribution: \$61,941

Rates:

- Sewer Plant Rate County Wide Estimated Increase
 - \$11/quarter or \$44/annual

Mr. Stockus expressed the importance of this Project and the need for the upgrade on Smith Island. He thanked the Engineers of GMB for their hard work designing this project as well as the members of the Sanitary District Commission for supporting it.

Ms. Landon expressed her gratitude, on behalf of Smith Island, to everyone who has been involved in this project.

There was no public comment.

Ms. Landon made a motion to adjourn the Public Meeting at 2:30 p.m. and proceed to Regular Session. Ms. Hall seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously.

Approved by:

Respectfully Submitted:



Ellen Bush
Secretary-Treasurer
Somerset County
Sanitary Commission



Jennie Marshall
Administrative Aide
Somerset County
Sanitary District