



**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING
ONWASA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

MEETING DATE: APRIL 23, 2019

The Onslow Water & Sewer Authority (ONWASA) Board of Directors has scheduled a Special Meeting for Tuesday, April 23, 2019, at 7:00 PM. The meeting will be held at the ONWASA main office 228 Georgetown Road Jacksonville. The purpose of the meeting is for Board to consider a resolution to apply for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund for funding the Northwest Regional Water Reclamation Facility hurricane damage mitigation efforts.

Heather W. Norris
Clerk

Posted: Wednesday, April 17, 2019



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SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
APRIL 23, 2019 – 7:00PM**

ONWASA MAIN OFFICE - 228 GEORGETOWN ROAD

CALL TO ORDER - Chairman Gregory Hines

BUSINESS ITEM: Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Application

Based on our experiences during Hurricane Florence, ONWASA continues to coordinate with our mitigation consultants (WK Dickson Engineering), FEMA, and the State of North Carolina to find solutions that will better protect key infrastructure in future storm events. Staff is particularly focused on the Northwest Plant (Northwest Regional Water Reclamation Facility), existing aerial stream crossings and emergency generator equipment. This request for Board action concerns the Northwest Plant alone.

While work is currently underway on various mitigation options and their acceptance by State of NC regulatory agencies, we are also pursuing funding for hurricane damage mitigation efforts from all possible sources. One of these is the Clean Water State Revolving Fund program administered through the NCDEQ-Division of Water Infrastructure. While funding is still expected from other sources such as FEMA and Golden LEAF, our strategy is to apply for every grant possible ... as soon as possible.

The Board of Directors is requested to approve a State-required resolution which grants permission for staff to apply for a grant/loan package from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund for the Northwest Plant. Details include:

- ONWASA would be applying for \$3,202,800.00 which, based on current estimates, should be enough to elevate the electrical building at its current location on the plant site, elevate the emergency generator, and construct a flood-proof building around SBR transfer pumps and blowers. The project also includes enclosing the remainder of critical mechanical electrical facilities, including the SBR jet motive pumps, WAS pump station, and post EQ pump station, and sealing select electrical pull boxes.
- ONWASA is eligible for up to 75% grant. The agency may approve ONWASA for a combination grant and zero-percent (0%) interest loan, depending on the evaluation of our application and the other projects competing for this funding.
- ONWASA can choose to not accept any or all the funding offered or choose to pay off the loan portion as soon as other funds pending are in place (this provides immediate cash flow without resorting to paying for improvements out of fund balance).
- Applying by the April 30, 2019 deadline will allow funds to be used this year if awarded. Waiting for the September 2019 round of funding would delay any funding decision until sometime in 2020.
- Applying for the total of all that is needed should ensure that there are sufficient insurance funds to cover all other repair and replacement costs for the plant.

Action Requested: "Motion to approve a resolution to apply to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund for funding for the Northwest Regional Water Reclamation Facility."

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