



**AGENDA**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**228 Georgetown Road Jacksonville**  
**Thursday, October 7, 2021**  
**4:00 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER** - Chairman Jerry Bittner will call the meeting to order.

**INVOCATION** - Mr. Jeffrey L. Hudson, CEO, will provide the invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Chairman Jerry Bittner will lead the Board and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Action Requested:** Motion to approve agenda as amended/submitted.

**2. BUSINESS**



**A. Wastewater Update**



**Presenting:** Wooten Engineering, David Mohr, and Jeffrey Hudson

ONWASA operates three (3) legacy wastewater plants in the Swansboro and Stump Sound Townships (ONWASA's Southeast Service Area). Growth projections indicate that additional treatment and disposal capacity is necessary in both service areas. Following studies of all options, the ONWASA Board of Directors voted to divert wastewater treatment from the Swansboro plant to the French Creek wastewater plant aboard Camp Lejeune via the Piney Green Pumping Station. This would allow the decommissioning of the legacy plant in Swansboro and would result in sufficient treatment capacity for the area.

Evaluation of the existing Intergovernmental Service Agreement for Wastewater Treatment between ONWASA and the Base revealed that more than one connection point to the base was legally permitted. The ONWASA Board of Directors voted to pursue base connection in the Southeast Service Area and directed staff and consultant engineers to proceed with study of the base collections system. Through close cooperation with Camp Lejeune, ONWASA and the Authority's engineering consultants successfully identified engineering solutions for the base sewer collections system that would enable connection and the successful treatment and disposal of projected Southeast Service Area flows. At the final presentation meeting of the engineering study,

members of the base public utilities staff indicated that they would recommend ONWASA connection.

Following the study conclusion, base officials communicated to ONWASA that certain overwhelming concerns now force them to limit dedicated plant treatment capacity to two (2) million gallons per day average daily flow at this current time. That level of allocated treatment capacity is referred to as “Phase 1” within the Intergovernmental Agreement. Phase 1 is insufficient to accommodate the projected flows from both Swansboro and Southeast. The Swansboro project has already begun as no base collection system improvements were necessary for connection. A new wastewater treatment and disposal option must be selected for Southeast.

**UPDATE REPORTS:**

1. Wooten Engineering shall provide the Board a brief update on the progress of the Swansboro Service Area Project.
2. Wooten Engineering shall provide information to the Board on wastewater treatment and disposal alternatives for the Southeast Service Area.

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Receive update reports from Wooten Engineering and select a sewer capacity alternative for the Southeast Service Area.

**3. CLOSED SESSION**

The ONWASA Board of Directors will enter closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6) to discuss the performance of a public officer or employee.

**PROPOSED MOTION:** Consider a “Motion to go into closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6)”.

**4. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S COMMENTS**

**5. BOARD OF DIRECTOR’S COMMENTS**

**6. ADJOURN**

## For Reference: ONWASA Strategic Plan Goals

Business Items and Major Budget Initiatives are all tied to the goals that are part of ONWASA's adopted strategic plan. Icons indicate which goals the item(s) support.



Communication and Partnerships

*Fostering an environment that encourages open communication and supports partnerships*



Enhanced Customer Experience

*Creating a culture that delivers an enhanced customer experience*



Financial Stewardship

*Generating revenues sufficient to support operations and growth, while maintaining reasonable rates*



Reliable and Sufficient Infrastructure

*Planning, delivering, and maintaining dependable infrastructure necessary to address the changing needs of the service area*



Workforce Development

*Attracting, developing, and retaining a professional highly skilled, engaged, and versatile team*