

## ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

MAY 15, 2023

1. Mayor Noeman attended the fourth West TN Wastewater Regionalization Meeting at the Haywood County Justice Center on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Commissioner David Salyers was the facilitator of the meeting and solicited comments about the recommendations from the previous presentation. Major concerns focused on cost and depreciation expense. Other comments were offered about whether other municipalities with interest in the Loosahatchie River, such as Bartlett, should be brought into future discussions. A comment from TDEC noted all wastewater utilities would ultimately be required to provide greater treatment than “lagoons” are currently capable of providing.
2. On Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, TDEC hosted a virtual meeting with Mayor Noeman to discuss the status of the ARPA grant. This is a critical grant that will fund three wastewater projects and three water projects that total \$1.95 million.

ARPA Water Projects

Water System Asset Management Plan  
WTP Evaluation and Well Improvements  
Hwy 59 BPS Replacement (CDBG may fund)

ARPA Wastewater Projects

Wastewater System Asset Management Plan  
Charleston Mason LS Replacement  
Design / Permit new Discharge to Loosahatchie

3. The Town made an emergency repair at the WTP by contracting with National Water Services to pump sand from the Filter Pre-well basin. The cost was \$14,000.
4. Our Engineers have rewritten 2021 CDBG Engineering Report to help with the much needed water system improvements. It has been submitted to our Grants Administrator for review. The revised project will include replacement and relocation of the Hwy 59 Booster Station as a critical component of a major water system rehabilitation project. This still has not been submitted to Economic and Community Development, but officials from Environment and Conservation indicated they supported this plan.