

Staff Use Only:

Council District 27

This application is a

Reappointment

New Appointment

Attendance Record: _____

GREENVILLE COUNTY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS APPLICATION

Metropolitan Sewer Sub-District

(Name of Board or Commission to which you are applying)

An individual may only apply to serve on one board or commission during any election cycle.

In order for your application to be given consideration, it is critical that you answer all of the following questions as completely as possible.

Mr Mrs Ms Miss Name Gordon A. Brush

Home Address 220 Squires Creek Road City Simpsonville

Occupation Consultant / semi-retired

Employer Brush Consulting, LLC

Employer Address 220 Squires Creek Road
Simpsonville, SC 29681

Highest Degree Earned B.S.

School Attended Bob Jones University

Field Of Study Accounting

Volunteer Experience _____

Easley Chamber of Commerce - Board (6 yrs)

Powdersville Business Council (Board 6 yrs)

S.C. Section of American Water Works Association - Chair of Management Committee; Chair of Water Loss Control Committee; Speaker at conferences

Fellowship Greenville Church - various volunteer positions over the years

Describe your understanding of the role of a member of the board or commission to which you are applying _____

Commissioner on the MetroConnects Sewer Board. I have attended several meetings this year and am familiar with the recent developments / growth.

What specific skills do you believe you could contribute as a member of this board or commission? _____

Excellent knowledge of water and sewer industry due to my 15 years as Director of Finance and Administration at Powdersville Water (PW).

CPA / seasoned financial executive with over 40 years of experience.

15 years of experience with board governance (PW Board)

How many hours/week are you available to give to this board of commission? 5-10

Have you ever attended a meeting of this board or commission? Yes No

Are you available to meet at the regularly scheduled date and time of the board or commission meeting? Yes No

Do you, any member of your immediate family, or a business with which you or a family member is associated, provide goods and/or services to this board for payment? Yes No

Do you or any member of your immediate family receive direct services from this board? Yes No

I am a customer of MetroConnects (residential water / sewer bill).

Have you ever been convicted of a crime other than a minor traffic violation? If so, please give details Yes No

Do you currently hold any elected or appointed office or commission? No

If yes, list _____

Have you previously held any elected or appointed office or commission? Yes

If yes, list Anderson Joint Regional Water System (as an employee of PW, I served as an alternate on this Board)

Have you ever been fined for any ethics violations? No

If so, please explain _____

Have you ever been subject to penalty relating to a violation of State ethics standards? No

If so, please explain _____

Are you current in payment of Greenville County property taxes? Yes No

If applying for the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee
the Construction Board of Appeals or the Historic Preservation Commission please check
the box that applies to your field of employment or expertise:

Accommodations Tax Comm.

- Tourism Industry
- Cultural / Arts
- Restaurant
- Hotel Management

Historic Preservation Comm.

- Archeologist
- Historian
- Architect
- Member of Historic
Preservation Group

Construction Board of Appeals

- Architectural
- Fire Protection Eng / Contractor
- Electrical Engineer / Contractor
- Design/Architectural / Professional Contractor
- Structural Engineer / Contractor
- Mechanical Engineer / Contractor
- Plumbing Engineer / Contractor

Statement

By my signature, I state that all information contained in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

I understand it is my responsibility to insure my application is submitted within the application period and that it has been received by the County Council Office.

I understand my appointment to the board for which I am applying will not result in me receiving any compensation for my service.

I understand my lack of attendance resulting in three consecutive meetings or 25% of all meetings within a year may result in my removal from the board.

Signature _____

Date _____

Please return completed form by mail, fax or email to:

**Greenville County Council
301 University Ridge, Suite 2400
Greenville, SC 29601-3665**

Fax: (864) 467-7358

rmccaskill@greenvillecounty.org

If you have questions, please call 467-7115 or check the www.greenvillecounty.org website.

Gordon A. Brush, CPA

Summary of Qualifications

Seasoned financial professional with proven expertise in senior financial management, business development, financial analysis, systems implementation and systems/process re-design. Strengths include understanding and communicating to top management complex issues, adapting to work environment changes by redesigning systems and streamlining processes, and working well with all levels of management. Emphasis on ability to approach difficult situations with critical thinking, solving them using fundamental, but creative solutions.

Professional Experience

Powersville Water – Director of Finance and Administration (03/07 to 3/22)

Responsible for all financial and administrative functions, including financial reporting, cash and investment management, human resources, customer service, meter reading, billing, accounting, grant writing (over \$5 million during my tenure), accounts payable and accounts receivable for a \$8.5 million, 14,500+ customer water utility. Implemented disciplined financial controls and budgeting, developed comprehensive reporting to the Board, and instituted standard operating procedures manuals for all areas of control. Developed payment systems that helped move in-house transactions from 40% to 10% -- allowing the District to move to monthly billing without significant increase in staff. Led successful move to more advanced billing and financial system. Championed successful move to Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) and resulting customer portal. Responsible for updating, modifying as needed, understanding and reporting to the Board the annual update to the 10-year financial rate model.

Gordon A. Brush, CPA, LLC (11/01 to 10/06)

Developed CPA practice in Mauldin, South Carolina that cared for 300+ clients and experienced double-digit growth in revenue each year for 5 years. Focus was on small to mid-size businesses that needed consultation and/or on-site assistance in financial systems and controls, business strategies and tax planning. Provided out-sourced CFO services. Also assisted mid-size churches (600+ in attendance) by providing complete out-sourced accounting services and operational consultation. Sold practice in 2006 (now Nason Accounting).

Alexander Machinery, Inc.; Alexander Manufacturing, Inc.; King International, Inc. (3/97 to 10/01)

Vice President, Finance

Responsible for all financial functions including financial reporting, cash management, job costing, job cost reporting, accounts receivable, accounts payable, payroll and inventories for three companies with a combined total of approximately 100 employees and \$10-20 million in sales. Additional responsibilities included managing the information systems, risk management, employee benefits and facilitating cost control in all areas of the company.

Mount Vernon Mills, Incorporated (12/84 to 2/97)
Last position held: Director of Tax Compliance

Responsible for the preparation and filing of federal and multi-state returns, including both the technical as well as the mechanical aspects for a \$700+ million company. Performed extensive review and analysis of trial balance. Responsible for LIFO inventory computation. Involved in research regarding closely held corporations, changes in accounting methods, pension benefits, and other issues. Assisted in managing many tax audits.

American Federal Bank (1/84 to 7/84)
Manager of Investor Accounting

Johns, Odom and Associates, CPA's (6/82 to 12/83)
Staff Accountant

Computer Skills

Proficient in Word, Excel, QuickBooks and other Windows applications.

Education and Professional Designations

BS, Accounting, Bob Jones University, 1982
Awarded CPA designation, 1986

Professional Memberships / Licenses / Volunteer Activities

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
South Carolina Association of CPAs
Government Finance Officers Association
American Water Works Association
South Carolina Board of Accountancy
SC Section of AWWA – Water Loss Control Committee (Chair 2019 – 2021)
SC Section of AWWA – Management Committee Chair (2010 – 2011)
Easley Chamber of Commerce (Board member 6 years; Director of the Year 2013, 2016)
Powdersville Business Council (Council Board 6 years; Council Member of the Year - 2019)
Anderson Regional Joint Water System – Alternate Commissioner (2010 – 2022)
Fellowship Greenville Church – Many volunteer positions over 38 years of active involvement.