

**Antonia Hover**

**From:** Antonia Hover on behalf of Records Clerk  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 17, 2022 9:25 AM  
**To:** 'Sean Kelsey'  
**Cc:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** RE: Proposed Sewer System on Little Gasparilla Island

Good Morning, Sean Kelsey.

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20200226, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Thank you!

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From: Sean Kelsey <777slk@gmail.com>  
Sent: Wednesday, March 16, 2022 7:32 PM  
To: Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>; Office of Commissioner Passidomo <Commissioner.Passidomo@psc.state.fl.us>; Office of Commissioner Clark <Commissioner.Clark@psc.state.fl.us>; Office of Commissioner La Rosa <Commissioner.LaRosa@psc.state.fl.us>  
Subject: Proposed Sewer System on Little Gasparilla Island

Dear Sir,

I am deeply troubled by the proposed cost you are discussing to hook up and pay monthly for the sewer system on Little Gasparilla Island.

I am sure you think of all the homeowners as rich people who won't think twice about \$20k to hook up and \$240/month user fee. Believe it or not there are still good common folks that own property on the island who likely can't afford your new system. These costs are exorbitant and may force my parents to have to sell the house they purchased over 50 years ago. What are you going to tell the old man who lives four houses from the south end who built his house in the 1950's and runs a shell shop in Englewood. I always get a chuckle when I come to visit and pull up in my 42 year old john boat and the neighbor is there in his 42ft Boston Whaler which he paid over 1 million dollars for. You're going to run off the common folks so the rich people can come in and buy up their houses, tear them down and build rich man mansions. Shame on you!

While there are some folks that live on the island full time, most of the homes are vacation homes, so the amount of sewage going into the tanks is very limited. Likewise, where are the studies which show there are any environmental issues with the septic in that area?

Furthermore, the proposed system requiring homeowners to maintain generators is likely going to cause more environmental issues when these generators fail. What are the last few houses at the south end of the island who I understand don't have electricity, what are they going to do?

If you want this system so bad then go to the State of Florida and find the funding to put it in. Likewise charge a monthly fee which is inline with what the folks on the mainland are paying. I am sure they are not paying \$240 a month. Another thought is for people who have owned their property for say over 25 years, let the hook up be optional.

Furthermore, while this Boyer guy who runs the water system is a nice guy, his water has been stale and unsafe to drink at times. My wife got sick from his water and he came out and flushed the line at the south end of the island. So now you are wanting him to also go into the sewage business? Big Mistake.

In closing, please turn down this sewage system or at a minimum allow an opt out for the old timers.

Thanks you for your consideration,

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