

Water Pollution Control Authority

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

Present:

Mr. Robert Smith, Chairman
Mr. Ted Mannello
Mr. Paul Phillips

Absent:

Ms. Noa Miller
Mr. Daniel Civitello

Also in attendance:

Mr. Michael Angieri, Consulting Engineer
Attorney Brian Henebry, WPCA Counsel
Mr. Ed Bailly, WPCA Employee
Mr. Kenneth Long, WPCA Employee
Mr. George Caughman, Milone & MacBroom
Mr. Dean Yimonyines, re: 1383 West St.
Attorney Mark Wrenn, re: 1383 West St.
Mr. Ed St. John, Middlebury First Selectman
Ms. Maureen Del Vicario, Recording Clerk

1. Call to Order:

Mr. Robert Smith called the meeting to order at 7:39 p.m.

2. Approval of November 20, 2018 Meeting Minutes:

A **motion** was made by Mr. Paul Phillips and seconded by Mr. Ted Mannello to accept the meeting minutes of November 20, 2018, as is. This motion was unanimously approved by the members.

3. Old and New Business:

a) Mark Wrenn, 1383 West St, Junipers User Charges:

Attorney Mark Wrenn, representing Dr. William Baylis, the former owner of Junipers Restaurant located at 1383 West St., approached the WPCA to request a modification of the user fees for this property. Attorney Wrenn reported that the restaurant was closed with the Westover Water Company having turned off the water at the restaurant on May 15, 2018. Attorney Wrenn reported that the property was sold on 12/21/18 to Mr. Dean Yimonyines, who was also present to make the same request for this property. Attorney Wrenn notes the sewer charges for 7/1/18 through 12/31/18 were \$5,169.26, despite the water having been turned off since May.

Attorney Wrenn requested a modification to these fees since the property has not been in use since May. Mr. Yimonyines requested a modification of the user fees going forward because he has no plans to use the property as a restaurant but will only be using it for storage at this time.

Mr. Mike Angieri recommended that the property be reclassified to a "small business" classification that is based on square footage. Mr. Angieri noted this would result in a much lower user fee of approximately \$500 for the 6-month period in question.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Mannello to reclassify this property to a small business classification, retroactive to July 1, 2018. This motion was unanimously approved by the members.

Attorney Wrenn requested the modified bill for the time period of 7/1/18 to 12/31/18 be mailed to him at his office located at 35 Field St., Waterbury, CT 06702.

Mr. Smith noted this modification to the property classification would also apply to the bills that will be sent to Mr. Yimonyines in the future.

b.) Ridgewood Update:

Attorney Brian Henebry reported that the principle payment as part of the second amendment is due on 6/30/19. Attorney Henebry's office has mailed a bill to Ridgewood for the accrued interest and alerted them to the upcoming principal payment. Attorney Henebry indicated he will report what Ridgewood's response is when it is received.

c.) WPCA's Contract with Naugatuck:

There were no updates on this matter.

d.) West Shore Update:

Attorney Henebry reported that Attorney Jennifer Yoxall has requested an update on a few items that were noted in the inspection report.

e.) Monthly Expenses:

The bills were distributed for review and signed by the Chairman for payment.

4. Staff Discussions:

A and B. Pump Stations and Collection Systems:

Mr. George Caughman, of Milone and MacBroom, presented and discussed the design plan for the relocation of the force main over the Benson Rd bridge which is scheduled to be completed by the DOT in approximately 2020. Mr. Caughman reports the recommended valve chambers on either side of the bridge will allow a change from the permanent to a temporary force main and back again with the turn of a valve. Mr. Caughman noted that these valves would also allow for an emergency bypass in the event that there is a highway accident that damages the bridge at any point in the future. The design and test dig expenses will be 100% reimbursable from the DOT.

Mr. Caughman reported that the bids for modification of pump stations have all been received and these bids were presented to the members for review. Mr. Caughman reported that Milone and MacBroom is in the process of reviewing the bids and the companies that have submitted them.

Mr. Ed Bailly reported that the new trucks for the WPCA employees have been ordered but it will likely be another month or two before they are received.

Mr. Bailly reported that they received a quote of \$42,000, installed, for the replacement of the genset at the Country Club Road station. Mr. Bailly reported he received a quote of \$3,000 for removal of the tank. The total cost for this replacement is not expected to exceed \$52,000.

5. Adjournment of Meeting:

A **motion** was made by Mr. Civitello and seconded by Ms. Miller to conclude the WPCA meeting at 8:09 p.m. This motion was unanimously approved by the members.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Del Vicario

Maureen Del Vicario, Recording Clerk, January 17, 2019

cc: WPCA members
Board of Selectman
Edith Salisbury, Town Clerk
Directors of Health
Mike Angieri, P.E.
Jennifer Yoxall, Attorney
Brian Henebry, Attorney

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