

# Water Pollution Control Authority

## Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

### Present:

Mr. Robert Smith, Chairman  
Mr. Ted Mannello  
Mr. Daniel Civitello

### Absent:

Ms. Noa Miller  
Mr. Paul Phillips

### Also in attendance:

Mr. Michael Angieri, Consulting Engineer  
Attorney Brian Henebry, WPCA Counsel  
Mr. Kenneth Long, WPCA Employee  
Mr. George Caughman, Milone & MacBroom  
Ms. Maureen Del Vicario, Recording Clerk

### 1. Call to Order:

Mr. Robert Smith called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

### 2. Approval of January 15, 2019 Meeting Minutes:

A **motion** was made by Mr. Ted Mannello and seconded by Mr. Daniel Civitello to accept the meeting minutes of January 15, 2019, as amended below. This motion was unanimously approved by the members.

Item 3. Old and New Business: a.) Mark Wrenn, 1383 West St, Junipers User Charges:  
The third and fourth paragraphs should read as follows:

Mr. Mike Angieri recommended that the property be reclassified to a “special use” 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 special use classification, retroactive to July 1, 2018. This motion was unanimously approved by the members.

### **3. Old and New Business:**

#### a.) WPCA's Contract with Naugatuck:

Attorney Brian Henebry noted that the municipal bill has been received and reviewed for accuracy. Mr. Smith noted that he signed the bill for payment.

#### b.) West Shore Update:

Mr. Michael Angieri reports that some of the information that was previously requested is taking longer than expected. Mr. Angieri and Attorney Jennifer Yoxall have been in regular communication with the West Shore Homeowners Association regarding the information that is still needed.

#### c.) 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:

A **motion** was made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Mannello to go into executive session at 7:35 for the purpose of discussing legal and contractual issues. Invited into the meeting were Attorney Henebry, Mr. Kenneth Long, Mr. Angieri and Mr. George Caughman. This motion was unanimously approved by the members.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Civitello to exit the executive session at 7:45. This motion was unanimously approved by the members. No motions were made during this executive session.

Mr. George Caughman of Milone & MacBroom reported that he, Mr. Kenneth Long and Mr. Ed Bailly interviewed the three lowest bidders for the pump station upgrade project. These bidders were: Leed Construction, Holzner Construction and C.H. Nickerson & Co. The bidders were asked detailed questions and careful consideration was given to the responses and information provided. Based on these interviews, Mr. Caughman, Mr. Long and Mr. Bailly feel it is in the town's best interest to award the contract to C.H. Nickerson & Co.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Civitello and seconded by Mr. Mannello to award the contract for the upgrades to Pump Stations #4, #6 and #7 to C.H. Nickerson. This motion was unanimously approved by the members.

#### **4. Staff Discussions, A and B. Pump Stations and Collection Systems (continued):**

Mr. Caughman presented a report on a 30% plan submitted to the state for the replacement of the 4" force main over the Benson Rd bridge. This plan includes details of proposed valve chambers that will allow seamless transition between the temporary and permanent force main with the temporary bypass valve being capped after the transition to be available if there is ever an emergency need for bypass. Mr. Caughman presented a plan view and discussed the details of this proposal.

Mr. Caughman reported that the DEEP, as of 10/2020, will be shifting responsibility for administering general permits for Miscellaneous Sewer Compatible Wastewater Permit to the local WPCA. The DEEP would retain the responsibility for the Industrial Wastewater Permit. The WPCA will be responsible for setting the permit fee and for monitoring compliance. The members discussed the potential implications of this responsibility including the many businesses that would be impacted and the expertise that would need to be hired in order to administer this process. After further discussion, the members requested Attorney Henebry research this from the legal angle and Mr. Smith indicated he will reach out to CCM to discuss concerns about this issue.

Mr. Angieri reported there was an inquiry from a law firm about the WPCA regulations and procedures and the requested information was sent to the firm. There was no indication of the reason for this request.

Mr. Long reported that delivery of the employee's trucks is expected by the end of March. Mr. Long also discussed the need to replace two gas meters for sensing toxic gas in the pump stations. The plan is to purchase two meters with one being paid for by the Highway Dept.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Mannello to approve the purchase of a gas meter with a two year warrantee for a price of \$595. This motion was unanimously approved by the members.

The members discussed the need for replacing the generator at Station 5, Country Club Road, and the removal of the underground fuel tank. The cost for this would be \$42,000 plus \$3,000 for the underground tank removal.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Civitello and seconded by Mr. Smith to approve the purchase of a new generator for Pump Station 5 and removal of the underground fuel tank. This motion was unanimously approved by the members.

**5. Adjournment of Meeting:**

A **motion** was made by Mr. Mannello and seconded by Mr. Civitello to conclude the WPCA meeting at 8:20 p.m. This motion was unanimously approved by the members.

Respectfully submitted,

*Maureen Del Vicario*

Maureen Del Vicario, Recording Clerk, February 21, 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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