

Burrillville Sewer Commission  
Regular Meeting of 10/13/2009  
Board Room of the BWWTF

Members Present: Don C. Wolfe – Chairman  
William Andrews – Vice Chairman  
Wallace Auclair – Secretary

Also Present: Walter J. Kane – Attorney for the Commission  
James J. Geremia – James J. Geremia & Assoc., Inc.  
John Martin III – Superintendent  
Wallace Lees – Town Council Liaison to the Commission  
Michael Coutu – Granite River Village  
Peg Franklin – Office Manager  
Stacey Richard – Financial Aide

Mr. Wolfe opened the meeting at 9:05 A.M.

**Agenda Item** – Question of accepting the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 11, 2009, September 8, 2009 and the Special Meeting of September 21, 2009 and the question of dispensing with the reading of said minutes.

**Voted** – Mr. Auclair made a motion to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 11, 2009, and September 8, 2009, and the Special Meeting of September 21, 2009 and to dispense with the reading of said minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Andrews.

**Public Comment:** None

**Correspondence:**

**10-04-07** – Letter from Thomas Kravitz, Town Planner, regarding a status update on Grant/Low interest loans for list of applicants complied by Rita Cicchitelli for sewer connections

**Voted** – Mr. Andrews made a motion to receive and file the letter from Mr. Kravitz. The motion was seconded by Mr. Auclair.

**10-04-08** – Correspondence from Jane Burlingame, 170 Joslin Road, regarding the connection of her property and a request for a waiver of the non-conformance penalties

**Voted** – Mr. Andrews made a motion to waive the penalties subject to the completion of the connection. The motion was seconded by Mr. Auclair.

**10-04-09** – Correspondence from Michael Coutu, owner of Granite River Village, requesting an extension for the Phase II sewer assessment

**Discussion** – There was some discussion as to when the final assessment phase was due and to possibly put Mr. Coutu on a monthly payment plan for the final two assessment payments.

**Voted** – Mr. Andrews made a motion to invite Mr. Coutu to the next Commission meeting to discuss this matter. The motion was seconded by Mr. Auclair.

**10-05-10** – Correspondence from Lawrence Fortune requesting a waiver to our requirement of an engineering designing the sewer plan for his commercial property

**Voted** – Mr. Andrews made a motion to waive the requirement for an engineering design for the Glendale Grainery. The motion was seconded by Mr. Auclair.

**Engineer's Report:**

**Status of School Street/Eagle Peak Project** – Mr. Geremia reported that the School Street project is progressing and that the order of approval for the Eagle Peak station has been received.

**Status of Bella Restaurant Connection** – Mr. Geremia also reported that the connection for Bella Restaurant has been completed.

Mr. Geremia stated that a review for the Nasonville Fire Department had been completed and that there is an issue with the floor drains. Mr. Geremia stated that he will put a response letter together that address the issue with the floor drains.

**Voted** – Mr. Auclair made a motion to accept the engineer's report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Andrews.

**Reopen 10-04-09** – Mr. Coutu addressed the Commission. Mr. Wolfe suggested that a payment plan be set up with Mr. Coutu for the assessment payments.

**Voted** – Mr. Auclair made a motion to defer the phase II assessment payment until the Commission meeting of March, 2010 at which time there will be a further discussion. The motion was seconded by Mr. Andrews.

**Attorney's Report:** Mr. Kane stated that as a result of the penalty letters that went out the Commission has gotten three property owners that are now in the process of connecting their properties. Mr. Kane also stated that there isn't anyone getting the mail for the Glendale Methodist Church. Mrs. Franklin stated that Citiside Management, who is handling the property at 15 Dion Drive, has stated to her that they are in the process of getting the property connected. Mrs. Franklin also stated that St. Theresa's Church is in the process of getting the property connected as well. Mr. Kane reported that his office will start the procedure to prosecute the homeowners that have not responded to the penalty letters.

Mr. Kane then suggested, for billing on the Pascoag Groundwater Project, the Commission allow the State sixty days to pay the bill before penalties start because of the way the State requires this bill to go through the Beta Group before payment can be made.

**Voted** – Mr. Andrews made a motion to give sixty days for the Pascoag Groundwater bill to be paid before penalties start. The motion was seconded by Mr. Auclair.

Mr. Andrews stated that he had spoken with Veteran Affairs regarding funds for the connection at 345 Joslin Road and he was told that there weren't any available. The Commission directed Mrs. Franklin to write another letter to Mr. Daniels and to see if he might be eligible for a grant or low income loan.

**Voted** – Mr. Auclair made a motion to accept the attorney's report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Andrews.

### **Superintendent's Report:**

Mr. Martin presented the Superintendent's report for the month of September.

## **SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT**

Month of September 2009

### 1. OPERATIONS:

A.	<u>Influent to Treatment Facility :</u>	M.G.	Date Occurred
	Average daily flow	0.6826	N/A
	Maximum daily flow	0.7280	01-Sep
	Minimum daily flow	0.6200	26-Sep
B.	<u>Biochemical Oxygen Demand :</u>	Percent removal	Average Concentration
	E.P.A./ D.E.M. requirement	> 85.0%	< 10.0 mg/l
	Facility achieved	98.4%	4.7
C.	<u>Total Suspended Solids :</u>		
	E.P.A./ D.E.M. requirement	> 85.0%	< 15.0 mg/l
	Facility achieved	97.9%	7.9
D.	<u>Total Phosphorus :</u>		
	E.P.A./ D.E.M. requirement	N/A	< 1.00 mg/l
	Facility achieved	87.3%	0.89
E.	<u>Total Ammonia :</u>		
	E.P.A./ D.E.M. requirement	N/A	< 8.9 mg/l
	Facility achieved	89.8%	3.0
F.	<u>Disposed Sludge :</u>		
	Dry Tons disposed of	29.14	
	Number of loads removed	23	
	Average dry tons/load	1.27	

### 2. COLLECTION SYSTEM OPERATIONS:

There were eight call-ins during the month. One alarm at the Spring Lake pump station and two at Mohegan pump station caused by loss of power alarms which were momentary in nature.

Three alarms at the Beach Road ejector station and two at Eagle Peak road caused by problems with the leased telephone lines. All were alarm resets and stations returned to normal operation.

**Voted** – Mr. Andrews made a motion to accept the Superintendent's report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Auclair.

**Sewer Use/Sewer Assessment Write-Offs** – none

Being no further business to come before the Commission, Mr. Auclair made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Andrews.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacey Richard  
Financial Aide