

Burrillville Sewer Commission  
Regular Meeting of April 12, 2011  
Board Room of the BWWTF

Members Present: Don C. Wolfe – Chairman  
William Andrews – Vice Chairman  
Wallace Auclair – Secretary  
Irene Smith – Commissioner  
William Peterson – Commissioner

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

Mr. Wolfe opened the meeting at 9:00 A.M.

**Agenda Item** – Question of accepting the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 8, 2011; and the question of dispensing with the reading of said minutes.

**Voted** - Mr. Andrews made a motion to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 8, 2011 and to dispense with the reading of said minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Auclair.

**Public Comment:** None

**Resolution of the Burrillville Sewer Commission Supporting Legislative Amendments to Protect Rhode Island's Cities and Towns and Their Public Officials/Employees**

**Voted** – Mr. Andrews made a motion to pass the resolution. The motion was seconded by Ms. Smith.

**Presentation of Superintendent's Budget Proposal FY 2011/12**  
**Set meetings and Public Hearings regarding budget**

Mr. Martin presented the budget proposal for FY 2011/12. Mr. Wolfe noted that there is currently no proposed increase in the user charge fee.

**Voted** – Mr. Andrews made a motion to set a workshop for Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M. to discuss the budget and a possible user charge increase, a public hearing on Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M. on the proposed budget, and a public hearing on Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M. on the proposed budget. The motion was seconded by Ms. Smith.

**Correspondence:**

**11-10-08** – Correspondence from New Hope Baptist Church regarding the purchase of 82 South Main Street to use a parking lot for the church. Building to be demolished – attached is copy of letter date 3/10/11 from Pascoag Utility District stating electric and water meters were removed from property. Requesting abatement of sewer use charges based on the removal of water/electric meters.

**Voted** – Mr. Andrews made a motion to abate the sewer use bill for the New Hope Baptist Church and to confirm with the Building Official that the building is not habitable. The motion was seconded by Mr. Peterson.

**11-10-09** – Correspondence from Mr. Lucien Benoit, Co-Principal owner of Pine Ridge Development located at Map 176 Lots 3 & 5 and Map 177 lot 30 – Steere Farm Road requesting Commission grant an extension of the Approval granted to them by the Commission in March 2007 based on the State's "Tolling Law" which granted extensions to previously approved plans.

Memorandum from Tom Kravitz, Planning Dept., regarding Planning Board's decision on the matter of Pine Ridge Development

**Discussion** – Mr. Kane suggested that because the Commission's Rule and Regulations have changed since the plans for Pine Ridge were approved that Mr. Geremia review the plans to see if there are any major changes and the cost of the review is to be paid by the developer.

**Voted** – Mr. Andrews made a motion to have Mr. Kane write a letter to the developer explaining the Commission's concerns and that the cost of the Engineer's review will be paid by the developer. The motion was seconded by Ms. Smith.

**Engineer's Report:**

**Boyle & Fogarty Contract Status Report** – Mr. Geremia reported that as soon as the pole is removed from School Street the contractor will begin demolition of the old pumping station. Mr. Geremia reported that there was a problem with a pump at Eagle Peak and that pump needed to be removed. A portable pump was installed as a back up until the new pump was repaired. Mr. Geremia also reported that he is working on a change order with the contractor for the RACO alarm systems.

**Discussion of Laginestra (Memorandum 3/17/11 & Letter to Ms. Moody, PE dated 3/24/11)** – Mr. Geremia stated that he had spoken with Mr. St. Pierre as to what his next step should be after receiving Mr. Kane's letter. Mr. Wolfe stated that he would contact Mr. St. Pierre.

**Project Priority List – Request of Projects for State Fiscal Year 2012** – Mr. Geremia reported that he had prepared the project priority list and that a budget was put in for the facility plans.

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

**Attorney's Report:**

**Letter dated March 28, 2011 to Richard St. Pierre, Daniele Industries** – Mr. Kane noted that the letter was copied to Angelo Liberti at DEM.

**Act relating to Burrillville Sewer Commission – introduced March 10, 2011 by Senator Paul Fogarty** – Mr. Wolfe stated that he will contact Senator Fogarty and Representative Keable regarding this matter.

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

## Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Martin presented the Superintendent's report for the month of March, 2011

### SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Month of March 2011

#### 1. OPERATIONS:

A.	<u>Influent to Treatment Facility :</u>	M.G.	<u>Date Occurred</u>
	Average daily flow	1.3415	N/A
	Maximum daily flow	2.4890	07-Mar
	Minimum daily flow	0.9110	30-Mar
B.	<u>Biochemical Oxygen Demand :</u>	Percent removal	Average Concentration
	E.P.A./ D.E.M. requirement	> 85.0%	< 30.0 mg/l
	Facility achieved	95.9%	7.5
C.	<u>Total Suspended Solids :</u>		
	E.P.A./ D.E.M. requirement	> 85.0%	< 30.0 mg/l
	Facility achieved	96.0%	8.9
D.	<u>Total Phosphorus :</u>		
	E.P.A./ D.E.M. requirement	N/A	< 1.00 mg/l
	Facility achieved	91.1%	0.38
E.	<u>Total Ammonia :</u>		
	E.P.A./ D.E.M. requirement	N/A	< 31.5 mg/l
	Facility achieved	68.0%	8.6
F.	<u>Disposed Sludge :</u>		
	Dry Tons disposed of	32.45	
	Number of loads removed	23	
	Average dry tons/load	1.41	

#### 2. COLLECTION SYSTEM OPERATIONS:

There were two call-in's during the month. One at the Eagle Peak Road pump station and one at the Oakland pump station. These alarm conditions were corrected and stations returned to normal operation.

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

**Sewer Use/Sewer Assessment Write-Offs** – Mr. Peterson made a motion to approve the sewer use write off in the amount of \$895.57. The motion was seconded by Mr. Andrews.

Mr. Andrews made a motion to approve the assessment write off in the amount of 531.20. The motion was seconded by Ms. Smith.

Mr. Auclair stated that this will be his last Commission meeting due to scheduling conflicts. Mr. Wolfe thanked Mr. Auclair for his time and dedication to the Commission.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacey Richard  
Financial Aide