



Colchester Sewer and Water Commission

Minutes of the 9 December 2009

Regular Monthly Meeting

Municipal Office Complex
Colchester, Connecticut

Members Present: R. LeMay, R. Jones, T. Tripodi, A. Pelletier
Members Absent: D. Ferrigno, S. Boyden, T. Tyler,
Others Present: G. Cordova (BOS Liaison), R. Tarlov (BOF Liaison), M. Decker
(Public Works Director)

1. **Call to Order** – Chairman LeMay called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m.
2. **Additions to the Agenda** – none
3. **Approval of the Sewer and Water Commission 10 November 2009 Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes** – *Motion to approve the minutes of the 10 November 2009 Sewer and Water Commission regular monthly meeting as presented, by R. Jones, second by A. Pelletier; Motion approved 2-0 (A. Pelletier and T. Tripodi abstained)*
4. **Citizen's Comments** - none
5. **Subcommittee Reports**
 - A. **Finance – Monthly financial reports, Budget preparation schedule** – The monthly reports were distributed and discussed. There were no transfers or appropriations requested at this time. The tentative budget preparation, action schedule is:
 - * Presentation of draft budget at 13 January regular Commission meeting
 - * Special budget meeting of the Commission on 27 January 2010
 - * Public Hearing by Sewer and Water Commission on 10 February 2010
 - * Presentation before the Board of Selectmen on 18 February 2010M. Decker reported a review of the Sewer and Water Connection Fee Schedule

will occur in March and April with any changes needing to be adopted prior to 1 July 2010

6. Water Activities

- A. Water Activities Report** – M. Decker reported activities include: continued work on the meter replacement program; meter readings beginning 1 December; work with Fire Department on hydrant/valve project on 354; water service work at Dunkin Donuts, Federated Church, and Eastern Refrigeration/Enterprise Car Rental
- various plan reviews including reauthorization of the APZ review for the proposed retail center – no substantive changes from the previously approved plan from 2002 so the memorandum will be reissued; cross connection inspections; irrigation system at Cody Camp field;
- B. Water Projects Status** – No new main or service connection work at on-going project locations, split service for Enterprise car rentals (new wash bay and separator installation)

7. Sewer Activities

- A. Joint Facilities Report** – Chairman LeMay reported discussion items included the roof work is complete, based on a DEP inspection, the two UG fuel storage tanks had to be replaced – this was successfully completed this week; Bids for the new channel monster were issued with an opening date of 10 December; and, the Demand Response agreement is up in May with revenue expected to drop significantly
- B. Sewer Activities Report** – Square D replaced the circuit boards at the PHPS due to the voltage compatibility issue – not a warranty item even though the boards have been replaced three times; furnace at PHPS had to be serviced – minor work required;
- C. Sewer Projects Status** – no new activities

8. Old Business

- A. Taintor Hill Road Treatment Plant Improvements** – close-out documents have been sent to Weston & Sampson by All-State for final review and acceptance – otherwise, all work is completed; one of the chlorine analyzers was returned for repair and has been reinstalled; presentation before the American Council of Engineering Companies occurred Monday, 30 November – the project was very well received, and obtained a Merit Award, but was not one of the five selected to be advanced to the National competition
- B. Flatbrook Sewer Booster Station** – the I&I work will go forward but the build-out capacity analysis portion will be covered under the STEAP grant project which will be advertised next week)
- C. UST Fund Application** – no new action at this time
- D. Lyman Viaduct** – the access road is complete

- E. Streamflow Regulations** – a briefing will be held before the Board of Selectmen at their next meeting on 17 December – invitations have been sent to the Board of Finance, Economic Development, Sewer and Water, Colchester Business Association, Representative Orange, and Senator Daily. There was a general discussion of the proposed regulations and the memorandum M. Decker drafted. The consensus was a strong need to clearly educate the governing bodies and the public on the potential impact these regulations could have on their day-to-day lives.
- 9. New Business/Additions to Agenda** – no new business
- 10. Citizens Comments** - none
- 11. Adjourn** – *Motion to adjourn, by T. Tripodi, second by R. Jones; Motion approved 4-0.* Chairman LeMay adjourned the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
M. Decker