

Water Pollution Control Authority
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 4, 2014

The Town of East Hampton Water Pollution Control Authority regular meeting of November 4, 2014 was held at 5:30 P.M. at the Town of Colchester--Town of East Hampton Wastewater Treatment Plant, 20 Gildersleeve Drive, East Hampton, CT. All members were in attendance:

Mark Barmasse, Chairman
Ralph Nesci
David Kelsey

Daniel Valentine
John Suprono

Also attending was Vincent F. Susco, Jr., Public Utilities Administrator. Mr. Motto arrived at 5:45 P.M.

Call to Order

Chairman Barmasse called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. and appointed Mr. Susco as Recording Secretary for these proceedings.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Barmasse called for the approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 7, 2014. Upon motion from Mr. Kelsey, seconded by Mr. Suprono the minutes of the meeting were approved 5-0.

Public Remarks

There was no public in attendance.

Review of Correspondence

The correspondence list is attached and made part of these minutes.

Joint Facilities Committee

Chairmen Barmasse indicated there was no meeting of the Town of Colchester – Town of East Hampton Joint Facilities Committee held in November.

Operations, Management & Budget Committee Report

Mr. Barmasse called for the current fiscal year budget status of the WPCA and Community Water systems. Management indicated all budgets remain in line with and that there were no new variances to be discussed.

Management presented a request of the Marlborough WPCA to modify language to the October 14, 2004 SEWERAGE TRANSIT AND DISPOSAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON WPCA AND THE TOWN OF MARLBOROUGH WPCA. Mr. Susco explained that the Second Amendment which reimbursed the MWPCA for the EHWPCA upgrades to the East High Street Lift Station will very shortly be concluded making this amendment null and void. Upon completion of the payment the MWPCA Sewer Use Fee (Section 7.03) will be deposited into the revenue of the EHWPCA Operations Budget (61-58-0581-XXXX). Mr. Susco explained over the years this arrangement has been in place, there has been wide swings in the Sewer Use Fee on a year to year basis. To minimize this annual swing and provide a basis for better budgeting for

both Towns it has been proposed to average the annual charge over the three most current years. After a short discussion the consensus of the members was to adopt the change pending feedback and or action of the Marlborough WPCA. Action was tabled until the December 2, 2014 meeting.

Public Water Systems

The Village Center Water System continued to run within parameters during the period. System wide flushing was completed as advertised. During the period Hungerfords Pump Services replaced the failed pH probe and pre-amp for the pH recorder. The plant was prepared for the winter season.

The Royal Oaks system continued to run within parameters during the period but not without increased maintenance. Several callouts were required to replace control valves on the #3 green sand filter. System wide flushing was completed as advertised.

The State Department of Health has notified us that the Royal Oaks System has experienced a lead and copper exceedance for the period January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2014. Mr. Susco explained the protocol (additional monitoring of sources and distribution system) that must be followed as a result. He explained it will take a minimum of 9 months at a cost of approximately \$1,100.00 to complete and that the additional monitoring was not included in the budget.

No action occurred on the project known as Hampton Woods.

On November 3, 2014 we received a phone call from the engineer representing the "Villages at Long Crossing" now known as Pond Village. Management was requested to provide input into the "next step". Management indicate this office is precluded from providing any further assistance until all fees (June 29, 2012 letter \$2,830.54) have been received by this office.

Mr. Barmasse stated the Water Development Task Force did not meet in October. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday November 13, 2014.

Mr. Susco stated the Town has received confirmation (October 28, 2014 letter to Michael Maniscalco) that all remaining funds associated with the Towns 2006 STAG Grant have been rescinded and that all funds have been returned to the U.S. Treasury and will no longer be available for award to the Town.

Sewer Development

On October 28, 2014 CLA Engineers confirmed that Edgewater Hill has reached substantial completion. Pursuant to the August 7, 2014 Developers Agreement the Letter of Credit warranting the construction of the system must be returned and a one year Maintenance Performance Bond is required. After a short discussion the following resolution moved by Mr. Valentine, seconded by Mr. Suprono was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED: that the Water Pollution Control Authority hereby approves the release of the current Letter of Credit (Farmington Bank, #01-MKV-14 dated August 7, 2014) in the amount of \$275,000.00 for Edgewater Hill Properties, LLC, pursuant to paragraph #16 of the executed August 7, 2014 Developer's Permit Agreement.

Furthermore, the Developer is hereby required to submit a Maintenance Performance Bond/Letter of Credit in the amount of \$27,500.00 for a one-year period effective October 28, 2014.

Mr. Motto left the meeting at 6:15P.M.

Management provided a recap of the October 1, 2014 Sewer Use billing indicating that 2666 accounts received bills representing 3315.52 EDUs. Mr. Susco stated this year's budget was prepared with an estimate of 3320 EDUs and that the shortfall in revenue would be de minimus.

Old Business

Chairman Barmasse discussed the progress of replacing the Public Utilities Administrator and presented a contingency plan that would allow Mr. Susco to continue to serve the Authority on a post retirement basis. The members discussed the latest version of the Agreement that included comments from the Town Manager. The members requested management to forward this version to the Colchester WPCA in order to accommodate any comments at the November 18, 2014 Joint Facilities meeting. Action was tabled until the next meeting of the WPCA.

Management continues to receive updates on the loss at the Hawthorne Road Lift Station. Currently the deductible (\$10,000.00) is being subrogated by the insurance company. A subrogation specialist has been in communication with the responsible party and a payment arrangement is being worked out.

New Business

Chairman Barmasse called for the 2015 meeting schedule. The members requested that the starting time of the meeting be moved back to 6:00 P.M. Upon motion by Mr. Kelsey, seconded by Mr. Nesci the schedule was unanimously approved as amended.

On October 8, 2014 this office received a call from the Town's Fire Marshal that a sewer lateral had been broken during the removal of an underground fuel oil tank at 11-13 North Maple Street. We determined our office failed to receive the required Call-Before-You-Dig information from the Town's clearing house. The lateral was repaired within 24 hours and the required permit was taken out by the Contractor. An inquiry by the owner of the circumstances surrounding the event resulted in the request to return the permit fee (\$165.00) due to the failure of the Town. Management feels this is appropriate, the members agreed.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Authority, Mr. Kelsey motioned and Mr. Valentine seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 P.M. So voted.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "V F Susco, Jr.", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Vincent F. Susco, Jr.
Recording Secretary

Approved by unanimous vote of the Water Pollution Control Authority on December 2,
2014.