MOTIONS

LITCHFIELD WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING

29 Stoddard Road, Bantam, CT October 9, 2014 ~ 7:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER: Acting Chairman David Geiger called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: <u>Present</u>: David Geiger, James Koser, Robert D'Andrea, Christian Bratina (7:35 p.m.) and William Buckley. Also present were Superintendent Ted Donoghue and Recording Secretary Ann Combs. Absent: David R. Wilson, Public Works Director Jack Healy

SEATING ALTERNATES: Mr. Geiger seated Mr. Bratina as a regular member in Mr. Wilson's absence at 7:35 p.m.

MINUTES

- a) August 14, 2014: Tabled
- **b) September 11, 2014: Motion:** J. Koser moved to approve the meeting minutes of 9/11/14 and R. D'Andrea seconded. All voted aye except W. Buckley, who abstained because of absence, and the motion carried.

BUSINESS

1) Public Requests

- a) Wray 722 Bantam Road: Doc and Joanne Wray were present to ask for a waiver on the installation of a separate lateral to their detached garage in back of their home. They said the drawing was incorrect in showing a line going all around the building. They would like to put a bathroom in the garage and connect it to the existing lateral for the house. Joanne said that even though the rules call for a separate lateral, they would like to have that waived as the WPCA did for the Fischers on North Lake Street
- **Motion:** W. Buckley moved to allow the connection from the existing house lateral, and J. Koser seconded. T. Donoghue said the regulations dictate a clean-out every 70 ft. and Mr. Wray agreed, saying the lateral would be 300 feet. Mr. Donoghue said the Sewer permit is \$50, and they would have to put down crushed stone and have an inspection. Mr. Buckley withdrew his motion, and Mr. Koser his second.
- **Motion:** W. Buckley moved to allow a connection to be run from the main home to the garage subject to conditions in the code of ordinances and regulations and rules stated by the Superintendent. J. Koser seconded, all voted aye and the motion carried. There will be no connection fee.
- 2) Safety: Ted reported no accidents and Jack and Naomi are setting up CIRMA training.
- 3) Commissioner's Requests: None
- **4) Definition of an EDU:** Sandy asked for clarification as to what constitutes an EDU. Samples of EDU definitions were provided from other states and CT towns, including Litchfield's which defines an EDU as one single family dwelling with usage equal to approximately 42,500 gallons per unit per year. This discussion was tabled until another meeting.

5) Public Works / Treatment Plant Report

- **a)** Easements: R. D'Andrea said George Simoncelli was moving his office so they will get back to it next month.
- b) Authorize expenditure from Fund 66 in totaling up to \$4,000 for 4 hoists: T. Donoghue said he would like each mixer to have its own hoist, and his recommendation was the lowest of the three quotes. J. Healy supports this expenditure. Motion: W. Buckley moved to authorize expenditure from Fund 66 (capital non-recurring) of up to \$4,000 for four hoists as recommended by T. Donoghue. J. Koser second, all voted aye and the motion carried.
- c) Authorize expenditure from Fund 66 in totaling up to \$4,125 to repair and extend fence on north side of facility. T. Donoghue reported there is now \$475,000 in Fund 66. Rose Bouchard, Finance Director, put more in today. He got three quotes, and Eagle Fence was the best price. With a fence extension included it was decided there is both repair and purchase of an extension involved. Motion: R. D'Andrea moved to authorize expenditure from Fund 66 of up to \$4,125 to repair and extend the fence on the north side of the facility. J. Koser seconded, all voted aye and the motion carried.
- 6) Financial Report: T. said Sandy has done very well with collections, 63% of revenue collected thus far. Both Hunters Chase and Indian Knolls are putting in new foundations, which will help with connection fees. For the first quarter of the budget year, they have used about 27% which puts them in a strong position, having spent more at the outset on big ticket items. Expenses should drop down going into the winter season, so the slight overage should balance out.
- 7) Quarterly Goals and Objectives: Ted is waiting for the proposal for weir gaging, saying it will save money keeping water out of the system. He will also report on grease trap inspections next month. Ted has been tracking water consumption at Arethusa relative to the BOD loading surcharge and has come up with some ideas of how to charge. C. Bratina said he really should start billing in some way in case another similar business comes on line.
- **8) Adjournment: Motion:** W. Buckley moved to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. and J. Koser seconded. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann D. Combs Recording Secretary