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**MINUTES OF
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Wednesday, February 18, 2015
3:45 P.M.
First Floor Conference Room**

- I. CALL TO ORDER-AT 3:45 PM. All members present. Three members of the public were present along with Becky Coffey.**
- II. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD**
1. To discuss and approve the Project Loan and Project Grant Agreement for Phase II of the Clean Water Fund (CWF) Program and authorize the First Selectman to execute and deliver the Agreement, the CWF Loan Obligations and all documents related thereto.

Motion by FS, seconded by Scott Giegerich;

Discussion: Carl reminds about the obligations in the Stipulated Judgment for Phase I, Phase II and Phase III;

Bruce Chudwick explained the Agreement before the Board. The Town is working hard on a solution over the next five years pertaining to areas that are very challenging and Steve Mongillo is creatively seeking solutions to take advantage of efficiencies as well as consider some other community systems (which are going to be necessary and have been considered as worthy)

Some Phase II work will be delayed or moved to Phase III to take advantage of any of the community options and or other creative solutions. The Town will move forward aggressively with conventional systems over the next two years while looking at an engineered solution in Phase III. The parties, the state and town, are permitted to modify dates and scope if both are amenable. It was explained that synchronizing the Clean Water Funding with the work to be done in the stipulated judgment in phases has gotten quite complicated and is something Steve Mongillo and Shipman & Goodwin have worked hard at aligning.

Steve asks about community systems and the ongoing expense involved is that becomes the case. Carl commits that O and M (operation and maintenance) will be budgeted for in the future as the project is addressed and finalized.

The detailed Resolution, which Carl has in hand (and a copy has been shared with both selectman), will be a part of the minutes. Unanimously approved.

2. To discuss and approve a resolution to enforce the Phase II benefit assessments and to pledge the revenues therefrom to the repayment of the CWF Loan Obligations

Bruce Chudwick explains that we must ensure that we do not impair the WPCA and its ability to collect back the money owed. The benefit assessment is levied by the WPCA and this is part of our pledge to pay back Clean Water Funds.

Motion FS, seconded by Steve Gernhardt.---Unanimously approved-----

FS signs followed by Steve as witness and Scott as witness;

3. To discuss and act upon a new 3 year contract for Local 818 of Connecticut Council #4 AFSCME, AFL-CIO (Supervisors)

The FS reviewed the main components of the agreement, namely 2, 2.25 and 2.25 raises for 14-15, 15-16 and 16-17, as well as encouraging involvement in high deductible health care plans (HDHP). Not participating in HDHP's will result in much higher premium cost share by the employee. The cost of the HDHP's are nearly 25% less than Preferred Provider Option plans (PPO). Steve Gernhardt asked about the funding of the deductible by the Town and employee, as well as the differences between a HDHP and a flexible spending plan.

Contract unanimously approved.

III. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

IV. COMMENTS FROM THE SELECTMEN-The FS has asked if OSHS has an audio visual club that might want to undertake the introduction of a camera system in the first floor conference room. He awaits word the OSMS principal.

V. ADJOURNMENT