

MINUTES OF MEETING
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
TOWN OF STONINGTON

Regular Meeting – September 24, 2013

A Regular Meeting of the Water Pollution Control Authority was held September 24, 2013, at the Stonington Police Station Meeting Room.

Members in attendance: James Sisk, Chairman; members Peter Balestracci, Rich Cody and Jim Petrosky. Also present: Thomas Gilligan, Director.

1. Call to order – 6:30 p.m.
2. Fire exit plan
3. R. Cody moved to change schedule and move Public comment item and Mr. B. Jillett discussion to this point. Motion 2nd by P. Balestracci and agreed 4-0.
4. Comments from the public

Mr. B. Jillett of 47 Liberty St. presented his disagreement with WPCA timing for notification of late sewer bills being 1-2 months from billing date. His issue is that this timing causes additional late interest charges in the case of sewer bills lost or not received. Mr. Jillett paid his June 2013 sewer bill and 3 months interest charges last week.

WPCA Board reviewed billing practice, courtesy “Late Notification”, recurring nature of sewer and tax bills, and obligation of customer (not WPCA) to assure bills are received/forwarded/addresses correct, and WPCA practice being consistent with other Town Departments.

WPCA Board denied waiver of late payment interest charges 4-0.

Mr. Cody left meeting at this point.

5. Contract Operations – United Water – John Marcin
 - United Water Monthly Report – Aug 2013
 - No violations in AUG, however, Mr. Marcin advised that there was a one day violation of effluent suspended solids on Sept. 3rd which is being investigated and will be reported on next month.
6. Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements – CDM Smith – K. Poulin, B. Benoit, J. Weston
 - Key milestones coming up;
 - startup of one (of the two) aeration basins with all new equipment and instrumentation has slipped to mid Oct.
 - delivery of Screenings, Grit, Grease (SGG) equipment and Rotary Drum Thickener (RDT) due in Oct.
 - begin critical work of clarifier rehabilitation.
7. Bills:
 - o CDMS Design-Build Invoice – Appl. #16 of Design-Build Agreement
\$945,788.25 – 5% retainage **Total = \$898,498.83**
J. Petrosky moved to pay, P. Balestracci seconded. Motion carried 3-0.
8. Budget Status: 2013-2014
 - a. Sewer Enterprise status
 - b. Sewer Development & Maintenance
8. Director’s Report
Brief discussion of FOG regulations and path forward on Class 3 & 4 Food Preparation Establishment (FPE) compliance. Discussion to continue at future WPCA meetings.
9. Chairman’s Report

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- Establish "2014 Regular Meeting Schedule". P. Balestracci motion to retain same schedule as 2013 (4th Tues of each Month, 6:30 pm, Police Dept. community room). J. Petrosky 2nd.
Motion passed 3-0

10. Minutes – Regular Meeting – July 23, 2013

P. Balestracci moved to accept. J. Sisk seconded. J. Petrosky abstained. Motion carried 2-0-1.

Meeting adjourned 7:40 p.m.



Thomas P. Gilligan
Clerk, pro-tem