

# WAYLAND WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT COMMISSION

## MEETING OF MARCH 26, 2008

### MINUTES

In attendance: David Schofield, Fred Knight, Bill Prendergast

Chairman David Schofield called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

There was no public comment.

The Monthly Operating Report for January 2008 was reviewed. The report states that, on January 18, 2008, the clarifier drive stopped rotating. Weston & Sampson determined that the main bull gear and drive were worn out. On January 21, 2008, the clarifier main drive assembly was removed for a complete rebuild. On January 25, 2008, the rebuilt drive was installed, tested, and placed on line. On January 28, 2008, the Muffin Monster started making loud grinding noises. It was determined that the bearings were worn out and the unit would need to be removed and rebuilt. On January 30, 2008, the Muffin Monster gear box was removed and rebuilt. It was reinstalled on February 1, 2008. The report noted that heavy usage of soaps has been observed for the past few weeks.

The Discharge Monitoring report for January 2008 was reviewed. Despite the reported problems, all effluent parameters were met for the month. The average flow was 9,089 gallons per day. The maximum flow which occurred on January 18, 2008 was 13,098 gallons and the minimum flow was 5,389 gallons on January 1, 2008.

The Monthly Operation Report for February 2008 was reviewed. The report states that the last of three sodium aluminate lines became clogged during the month. A temporary chemical feed system has been set up. Although the phosphorus levels increased as a result of the clogged line, the monthly permitted level for phosphorus was maintained.

The Discharge Monitoring Report for February 2008 was reviewed. All effluent parameters were met for the month. The average flow was 10,075 gallons per day. The maximum flow, occurring on February 7, 2008, was 15,793 gallons and the minimum flow was 6,822 gallons on February 26, 2008.

David Schofield reported that there was no further news from DEP on the issuance of the permit. According to DEP, the issuance is imminent. David reported that Mark Allenwood has left Weston & Sampson but he would be available through a subcontract with Weston & Sampson. David reported that Allenwood is organizing a meeting with DEP within a few days.

The Commission agreed that selection of the designer of the new plant is critical. David Schofield will meet with Town Counsel concerning the legal aspects of designer selection. The Commission wishes to avoid being forced to accept the lowest bid.

The options for building the new plant were discussed. The options are:

1. The Commission builds the plant.
2. Twenty Wayland builds the plant and returns the new plant to the Wastewater Commission for operation.

3. The Wastewater Commission sells or gives the current plant to Twenty Wayland and Twenty Wayland builds and operates the new plant.

Bill Prendergast stated that he recalled reading a report of a meeting during which it was stated that the owner of a wastewater treatment plant was required to be a public utility and not a private company. He offered to locate the report and advise the Commission.

The subject of a new Commissioner was discussed. Prior to the meeting, there was a suggestion that Prescott Baston might be interested in becoming a Commissioner. David Schofield discussed this suggestion with Town Counsel and was advised that Mr. Baston was not eligible to become a Commissioner.

The minutes of the meeting of February 13, 2008 were approved.

The following invoices were approved for payment:

1. AOS Operating Company (030801WAY) - \$8,464.04
2. Weston & Sampson (158526) - \$728.75
3. Wayland Business Center – (2/22/08) - \$2,461.39
4. Dave Starmer Disposal (3/10/08) - \$175.00
5. Dave Starmer Disposal (3/10/08) - \$770.70
6. William R. Prendergast - \$225.00

Bill Prendergast distributed a financial report for FY2008 through February 2008 showing income of \$164,052.35 and expenses of \$120,013.64. He pointed out that the Commission's bills were not paid during February resulting in Accounts Payable of \$23,374.32. Accounts Receivable were \$28,369.37.

Bill Prendergast distributed a bank statement showing a balance of \$538,535.97.

Bill Prendergast reported that payment of approximately \$160,000 had been received from Wayland Meadows representing payments of \$50,000 plus interest for each of the months of November 2007, December 2007, and January 2008.

There was no other business.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

William R. Prendergast

Distribution:  
David Schofield  
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