

WAYLAND WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT COMMISSION

MEETING OF FEBRUARY 11, 2009

MINUTES

In attendance: David Schofield, Fred Knight, Bill Prendergast

Guests: Ian Catlow

Prescott Baston, sewer user

Chairman David Schofield called the meeting to order at 5:37 PM.

During the public comment period, Prescott Baston posed a number of questions which he felt needed to be answered. The questions included the following:

1. What grace period will current users be granted if they choose to leave the system and install a Title V system?
2. Will the Wastewater Commission be responsible for the legal fees of Foley Hoag?
3. Will construction of the new plant begin several months or a year before work on Town Center starts?
4. When will betterment allocations be sent to current users?
5. Will the current users be responsible for the total cost of the new plant if Twenty Wayland declares bankruptcy?
6. What happens if the property is flipped to another owner.
7. Is it legal for Twenty Wayland to pick up capacity allocations that may be relinquished by current users?
8. What is the situation with items that benefit only Twenty Wayland?

Mr. Baston added the comment that the total cost of the new plant should include demolition of the old plant, ground cleanup, new pipe to the river, and Foley Hoag fees.

Mr. Baston commented that he had contacted Carlos Quintal of CAQ Engineering Associates, the company that had designed the small treatment plant for Greenways in Wayland. Mr. Baston reported that Mr. Quintal had commented that \$5.3 million was much too expensive for the new treatment plant. David Schofield reported that he had contacted Mr. Quintal and described the requirements for the treatment plant. Mr. Quintal recommended the MBR process for the Wayland plant. Tighe & Bond had previously recommended the MBR process which had been approved by the Commission.

Ian Catlow commented that no new NPDES permit for surface water discharge had been issued by EPA in the last 30 years. Therefore, the Wayland permit has value in that it is an NPDES permit for surface water discharge.

David Schofield asked if Twenty Wayland had financing for Town Center. He pointed out that documented evidence of financing would be required prior to construction of the new plant. Fred Knight suggested that the Commission place a hold on construction after the design is complete.

Ian Catlow reported on a meeting concerning the petitions submitted to EPA by the Department of the Interior and by a Sudbury resident. Representing the Town were Michael Tichnor, Fred Turkington, Ian Catlow, and the attorney for Foley Hoag. Attending were the petitioners, DEP, EPA, National Parks, and Fish and Wildlife. The Town offered to accept a phosphorus limit of .1 mg/l year round with a rolling 60 day average. The Town agreed to reduce the use of phosphorus on Town properties such as playing fields. The petitioners were opposed to relocating the outfall to the Sudbury River. Ian Catlow concluded that EPA had several options such as making minor changes in the permit, open the permit for public comment on changes, or to start over with a new permit. It is expected that EPA will defend the permit.

David Schofield made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$66,500 for a new generator to be used with the new plant. The motion was seconded by Fred Knight. The vote was 2 – 0 in favor of the motion. (The generator will be used with the current plant and moved to the new plant.)

The minutes of the meeting of January 7, 2009 were approved.

Bill Prendergast distributed a financial report for FY2009 through January 2009. The report showed income of \$86,009.66 and expenses of \$118,555.51.

Bill Prendergast distributed a bank statement showing a balance of \$618,974.26 as of January 9, 2009.

Bill Prendergast distributed a report of the cost of Town Center through January 2009. The total cost was \$238,459.45 including the cost of \$115,880.00 for the design of the new treatment plant.

The Commission scheduled the next meeting for Wednesday, February 25, 2009 at 5:40 PM at the Town Building.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

William R. Prendergast
February 25, 2009

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