

WAYLAND WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT COMMISSION

MEETING OF JULY 14, 2009

MINUTES

In attendance: David Schofield, Fred Knight, John Moynihan, Bill Prendergast
David Boucher, Division Manager, Whitewater, Inc.
Stephen Bodurtha, Service Technician, Whitewater, Inc.
Prescott Baston, Wayland resident

Chairman David Schofield called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

There was no public comment.

David Boucher and Stephen Bodurtha of Whitewater, Inc. were introduced. Whitewater is the new operator of the wastewater treatment plant. Stephen Bodurtha is the principal operator of the plant. In a discussion of the current plant, Stephen Bodurtha discussed the problem of line blockage. He stated that flushing provided a temporary solution that is acceptable.

In a general discussion of new treatment plants, David Boucher stated that, in his opinion, automation was excessive in some plants. He felt that plants could be constructed with less cost with the operator performing some of the automated functions.

There was a discussion of the schedule for construction of the new treatment plant. It was determined that the bid documents could be available during the first week of August should the Commission decide to proceed immediately. John Moynihan suggested that the Commission take advantage of the depressed economy. He estimated that current construction costs were 10 – 20 % less than they were one year ago. The importance of obtaining finalized design documents so that the Commission could proceed immediately when it decides to proceed was discussed. From these documents a firm construction schedule could be established.

In response to questions surrounding when actual site work could begin, John Moynihan stated that excavation activities could start within two weeks of contractor mobilization to the site. Also, the Commission needs to obtain a set of plans for review by Frank Dougherty to provide their perspective. John Moynihan emphasized the importance of getting the project advertised. The project could be cancelled if necessary. David Schofield commented that no new information is likely to become available regarding the status of the Town Center development in the immediate future. The Commission can reject all bids. David Schofield stated, with agreement from Fred Knight, that the Commission should proceed with completing the design and permitting of the new treatment plant to provide the possibility of commencing construction at the earliest time frame the Commission may deem appropriate. John Moynihan will advertise the project

in the Federal Register in two weeks. The Commission scheduled a design review meeting for August 12, 2009.

The Monthly Operations Report for May 2009 was reviewed. Instream monitoring of the Sudbury River was commenced for 2009 as required by the old permit. The lower Ultra-Violet disinfecting unit was rebuilt using new tubes, O-rings, and gland nuts.

The Discharge Monitoring Report for May 2009 was reviewed. All plant effluent parameters were met for the month. The maximum plant flow of 16,152.7 gallons occurred on May 22, 2009 and the minimum plant flow of 5,875.4 gallons occurred on May 25, 2009. The phosphorus concentration was 0.19 mg/l.

The subject of user fees was discussed. The Commission decided on a total FY2010 billing of user fees of \$186,340 as a result of the expected decrease in the cost of professional services resulting from the cost proposed by Whitewater.

The minutes of the meeting of June 9, 2009 were approved with corrections.

The following invoices were approved for payment:

1. AOS Operating Company (070901WAY) - \$10,368.65
2. William R. Prendergast - \$200.00
3. Whitewater (001-629I) - \$2,632.50
4. Town of Wayland (Water) - \$261.80

Bill Prendergast distributed a financial report for FY2009 showing revenue of \$177,441.16 and expenses of \$227,478.16 for a deficit of \$50,037.00. Expenses for the new treatment plant were \$457,466.41.

Bill Prendergast distributed a report showing a bank balance of \$1,387,902.35 as of June 30, 2009 including a loan of \$1 million.

There was no other business .

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

William R. Prendergast
October 9, 2009

Distribution:
David Schofield
Fred Knight
Board of Selectmen

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