

CITY OF NORWALK  
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY  
November 21, 2016

Attendance: Darren Oustafine, Chairman  
Lewis Clark, Vice Chairman  
Mayor Rilling  
Frederika Bikakis-Hajian  
Dave McCarthy  
Greg Burnett  
John Flynn

Staff: Bruce Chimento, DPW Director  
Ralph Kolb, DPW Senior Environmental Engineer

Others: John Ahern, CH2MHill, OMI, Inc.  
Paola Molloy, CH2MHill, OMI, Inc.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Oustafine called the meeting to order at 5:30PM.

**2. EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS ONGOING LITIGATION WITH FLOWSERVE ABOUT MAIN LIFT PUMPS' FAILURE AND SEWAGE OVERFLOW FINDINGS BY CONNECTICUT FUND FOR THE ENVIRONMENT**

**\*\* MR. MCCARTHY MOVED TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION  
\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Executive session began at 5:30PM  
Executive session ended at 6:00PM  
No action was taken

**3. APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM WPCA MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 17, 2016 (COPY INCLUDED)**

**\*\* MR. MCCARTHY MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES  
\*\* MOTION PASSED  
\*\* ONE ABSTENTION- MAYOR RILLING**

**4. AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN OR THE VICE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH ASSOCIATED ELECTRO-MECHANICS TO PROVIDE LONG TERM STORAGE PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE SERVICES RELATED TO FLOWSERVE MAIN LIFT PUMPS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SERVICE QUOTATION DATED OCTOBER 24, 2016 FOR A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$54,000 (COPY INCLUDED)**

**ACCOUNT NO. 09164062-5777-C0563**

Mr. Kolb said that as the Flowserve pumps are to be replaced they have been stored on-site at the Wastewater Treatment Plant in the supplemental building. He said that quotes were obtained to provide long term storage maintenance and that Associated Electro-Mechanics was the low quote. He said that they are also an approved vendor of Flowserve for any kind of maintenance to the pumps.

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**\*\* MS. BIKAKIS-HAJIAN MOVED TO APPROVE THE ITEM**

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**5. CONTRACT OPERATIONS REPORT:**

- a. OMI Monthly Operating Report- October 2016 (copy included)  
Mr. Ahern reported and said on the plant activities and said that there were no performance or permit violations received for the month. He reported on the collections system and said that the suction and discharge valves on the pumps at the Marvin Beach pump station were replaced, and that the bleeder valves were changed at Westport Avenue pump station. He said that the production rate for CCTV for the month of October is 0.66 miles and that the monthly TV rolling average is 0.99 miles a month and for cleaning is 3.97 miles a month.
  
- b. WWTP Performance Guarantee- Non-Compliance Report  
Mr. Kolb reported and said there were contract exceedances in September and November of 2015, and February and June of 2016. In accordance with Amendment number two of the Wastewater Treatment System Service Agreement, the WPCA could assess OMI, Inc. damages of \$637 per daily occurrence, and \$12,738 per monthly occurrence. Mr. McCarthy asked if any of the exceedances were due to the issues with the blowers. Mr. Kolb said that the blowers were an ongoing issue prior to this. Mr. McCarthy asked if there were related to the winter. Mr. Kolb said that the February exceedances were related to the cold temperatures and wet weather and this combination with the final settling tanks there is a potential to lose solids. He said that the operating range is very tight in the winter. Mr. Oustafine asked if the contract makes provisions for that. Mr. Kolb said "no". Mr. Kolb said that staff had met with OMI staff and their regional manager and discussed the performance guarantee exceedances, and that one option OMI is looking into is purchasing and installing a chlorine analyzer at

their cost so that they can monitor any drop in chlorination. Mr. McCarthy asked what the cost of that is. Mr. Ahern said approximately \$30,000. Mr. Burnett asked why the analyzers are just being looked at now to install. Mr. Kolb said no one thought of it prior to this.

**\*\*MR. MCCARTHY MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES**

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**\*\* MR. MCCARTHY MOVED TO APPROVE TO SUSPEND THE ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF ANY FINES FOR CONTRACT YEAR 2016 IN CONSIDERATION FOR THE INSTALLATION AND APPROVAL BY STAFF OF THE CHLORINE ANALYZER.**

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **6. REPORTS**

a. FY 16/17 Revenues/Expenditures MUNIS Report (copy included)  
No discussion.

b. Discussion on WPCA Projects:  
1. Main Lift Pump Replacement Project Update:

Mr. Kolb said that three new Flyght pumps are online and running. Mr. McCarthy asked if the three remaining Flowserve pumps were to fail if the three Flyght pumps would be able to handle the flow on a normal operating day. Mr. Kolb said "yes". Mr. McCarthy asked if there is a line when that would not be true. Mr. Kolb said that the three Flyght pumps could handle up to 57MGD.

c. Sewer Use Bill Appeals/Adjustments Update

1) Appeal Status  
Mr. Kolb said the adjustments to date are \$62,930.

d. Information Copies:

1) None

## **7. ADJOURNMENT**

**\*\* MR. MCCARTHY MOVED TO ADJOURN**

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

The meeting adjourned at 7:00PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Dilene Byrd