

CITY OF NORWALK  
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY  
December 15, 2014

Attendance: Darren Oustafine, Chairman  
Lewis Clark, Vice Chairman  
James Clark  
John Flynn  
Galen Wells  
Dave McCarthy  
Frederika Bikakis-Hajian  
Jerry Petrini

Staff: Hal Alvord, DPW Director  
Lisa Burns, DPW Operations Director  
Ralph Kolb, DPW Senior Environmental Engineer  
Tom Hamilton, Finance Director

Others: Kevin Dahl, 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**

**\*\* MR. MCCARTHY MOVED TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Executive session began at 5:32PM

Executive session ended at 6:10PM

No action taken

**3. APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM WPCA MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 17, 2014 (COPY INCLUDED)**

Ms. Wells said that she did not attend the meeting and her name should be removed from the attendance

**\*\* MR. MCCARTHY MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS AMENDED**

**\*\* MOTION PASSED**

**TWO ABSTENSIONS- MS. WELLS AND MR. PETRINI**

**4. AUTHORIZE TRANSFER FROM REPLACEMENT RESERVE ACCOUNT (224062-5789) TO CONTRACT OPERATIONS ACCOUNT (224062-5258) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200,000 TO REIMBURSE OMI AND THEIR WASTEWATER AND COLLECTION SYSTEM MAJOR REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT FUND (MRR)**

Mr. Kolb said that OMI, Inc. has paid out approximately \$200,000 in repair costs for the main lift pumps and the funds have been taken from the MRR account. He said that the MRR account is to be used for both the Wastewater Treatment Plant and the collections system, and the costs for the Wastewater Treatment Plant is digging into the funds that need to be used for repairs to the collection system. Mr. Hamilton requested a detailed report be provided on the repairs and the costs of what has been done so far and the repairs and costs moving forward. After further discussion it was decided that staff would provide a detailed report at the January meeting.

**\*\* MR. FLYNN MOVED TO APPROVE THE ITEM  
\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**5. REPORTS**

- a. FY13/14 and FY 14/15 Revenues/Expenditures MUNIS Report (copy included)  
Mr. Kolb reported on the FY 13/14 report and said that everything is tracking as anticipated.
- b. Draft FY 2015-16 Capital Budget (copy included)  
Mr. Kolb reported and said that for fiscal year 2015-16 staff is requesting \$3,000,000 million dollars for the main lift pump replacement, and \$1,000,000 is being requested for the Ely Avenue and Bouton Street hydraulic repair.
- c. Discussion on the Sammis Street Pump Station (report included)  
Mr. Kolb reported and said that CL&P has installed the primary power transformer, and in addition to that there was two 1" water taps installed for the local hydrant so that the vacuum trucks or other City vehicles can fill with water without having to drive back to the Public Works Center. He said that once CL&P has completed the installation of the transformer the contractor will complete their work and begin the bypass and the startup is anticipated to be in January 2015.
- d. Sewer Use Bill Appeals/Adjustments Update
  - 1) Appeal Status  
Mr. Kolb said that the adjustments to date are \$102,924
- e. Information Copies:
  1. OMI Monthly Report- November 2014 (copy included)  
Mr. Kolb reported and said that nitrogen fell into band "D". He reported on the collection system progress meeting and the sanitary sewer CCTV and cleaning summary and said that OMI, Inc. has a good system and that they are also doing manhole inspections. Mr. James Clark said that there appears to be a lot of requests

in the miscellaneous category and requested that they be broken out into more into a certain category so that more detail is provided.

2. WPCA Contact List Update (copy included)  
No discussion.
3. Harbor Watch Mission (letter from Earth Place included)  
Mr. Kolb said the WPCA received a letter of appreciation from Earth Place which is an organization that researches anything that is causing water pollution concerns or issues. He said that Mr. Harris of Earthplace has been working with his staff on both the WPCA and DPW side and they have most recently found some illicit connections on Washington Street. He said that he would also like to recognize Jose Lopez of DPW and Kyle Bader of WPCA for their work.
4. CH2MHill Donation to Rowayton PTA Environmental Committee (letter included)  
Mr. Kolb said that CH2MHill has donated educational coloring and activity books to Rowayton Elementary School.

## **6. ADJOURNMENT**

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

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

The meeting adjourned at 6:50PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Dilene Byrd