

CITY OF NORWALK
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
May 18, 2015

Attendance: Darren Oustafine, Chairman
Lewis Clark, Vice Chairman
Mayor Rilling
James Clark
Galen Wells
Jerry Petrini

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

Others: John Ahern, CH2MHill, OMI, Inc.
Paola Molloy, CH2MHill, OMI, Inc.
Leslie Miklovich
Norman Bloom
Tim Pramer
Tony D'Andrea

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. LEWIS CLARK MOVED TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**
**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
** Executive session began at 5:30PM
Executive session ended at 5:50PM
No action was taken

**3. APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM WPCA MEETING HELD ON APRIL 20, 2015
(COPY INCLUDED)**

**** MR. JAMES CLARK MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS AMENDED**
**** MOTION PASSED**
**** TWO ABSTENTIONS- MAYOR RILLING AND MR. PETRINI**

4. AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN OR VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH UPDIKE, KELLY & SPELLACY, P.C. TO CONTRACT DIRECTLY WITH APPLIED TECHNICAL SERVICES, INCORPORATED, THE WPCA'S EXPERT WITNESS, FOR SERVICES PERTAINING TO LITIIGATION WITH FLOWSERVE. (DRAFT AGREEMENT INCLUDED)

Ms. Burns said that the expert witness for the Flowserve litigation needs to work through the Attorney and they have requested that there be an agreement that states that the WPCA agrees to pay the Attorney for the Applied Technical Services bills.

**** MAYOR RILLING MOVED TO APPROVE THE ITEM
** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

5. REPORTS

- a. FY 14/15 Revenues/Expenditures MUNIS Report (copy included)
Mr. Kolb reported on the FY 14/15 report and said that everything is tracking as expected with the exception of the revenues from septic disposal, and they are down more than was anticipated due to Kaiser-Battistone being sold and since then they have been going to Bridgeport.

- b. City of Norwalk- Click & Request
Ms. Burns said that there is a new application for the Smartphone and web portal for putting in any kind of service request for the city for any department including sewer. Mr. James Clark suggested that it be pushed out to the neighborhood associations.

- c. Discussion on WPCA Projects:
 - 1) Request for Qualifications- On Call Engineering Services (copy included)
Ms. Burns said that a Request for Qualifications went out and that they are due back on Wednesday, April 20, 2015. She said that the intent of WPCA staff is to issue three separate agreements and that the WPCA has not gone out for a request for qualification since 2010, and staff wanted to refresh the list of qualified engineers.

 - 2) Beacon Street Interceptor Service Area Sewer System Rehabilitation Project
 - A. 23 Macintosh Road
 - B. 17 Macintosh Road

Mr. Kolb said that the lining project had gone well but that there were three homes that experienced back ups due to the lining process, and after the lines were flushed it was discovered that their lateral was non-conforming. He said that staff had agreed to have the homeowners hire a contractor and have the homeowner sign a release and once the work is completed the WPCA would reimburse their expense. He said that staff had reached out to the homeowner at 23 Macintosh Road and they do not want to go through the release process and they are choosing to submit a claim and go through the insurance process.

- 3) Sammis Street Pump Station and Ann Street Flood Damage Upgrade
Mr. Kolb reported and said that the project continues to move along and the walking path was recently paved and they are now getting ready to landscape the sight.

d. Sewer Use Bill Appeals/Adjustments Update

1) Appeal status

Mr. Kolb said that the adjustments to date are \$73,403, and that WPCA, Finance Department and Tax Assessor staff are preparing this year's sewer use bills and they will be sent out shortly.

e. Information Copies:

1. OMI Monthly Operating Reports-April 2015 (copy included)

Mr. Kolb reported and said that nitrogen was in band "D".

Mr. Bloom said that there have been a lot of shellfish bed closures lately and wanted to see if there is anything he and the other owners of shellfish companies can do to help. Ms. Burns said as a point of interest another 250' of the Pine Point sewer will be replaced. Mr. Bloom said there has been great response from city staff and that they are here for support and to offer any help that may be needed.

6. ADJOURNMENT

**** MR. PETRINI MOVED TO ADJOURN**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

The meeting adjourned at 6:20PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Dilene Byrd