

**WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
MINUTES
COMMUNITY HOUSE, 46 CHURCH STREET, BRANFORD, CT
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.**

Chairman David Steinhardt called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Chairman David Steinhardt, Justin Rossetti, Chris DiAdamo, Mike Tamsin, Kurt Uihlein, and James Integlia

Also Present: Superintendent Brian Devlin, and Engineer John Hoëfferle

Absent: Yvette Larrleu, and Attorney Peter Berdon

Approval of Minutes – 4/9/24

A motion was made to approve the minutes as presented by Mr. Uihlein and seconded by Mr. Tamsin. Motion carries unanimously.

Add to Agenda:

A motion was made to add to the agenda discussion with no action to the Rose Hill Development sewer extension by Mr. Tamsin and seconded by Mr. Integlia. Motion carries unanimously.

Correspondence

No Correspondence.

Account Transfer –

FROM: New Equipment	21043030 579250	(\$10,000.00)
Utilities	21043030 544100	(\$20,000.00)
State Fees	21043030 588110	(\$5,000.00)
Communications	21043030 555300	(\$5,000.00)
Chemicals	21043030 566930	(\$10,000.00)
TO: Repair & Maintenance	21043030 544300	\$50,000.00

Mr. Devlin explains the transfer is necessary due to his Repair & Maintenance Account being almost depleted by purchasing emergency pumps and station projects. This will get him through the next Fiscal Year in July.

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A motion was made to approve the transfer as presented from New Equipment, Utilities, State Fees, Communications to Repair & Maintenance \$50,000.00, by Mr. Tamsin and seconded by Mr. Rossetti. Motion carries unanimously.

Discussion:

a. Wastewater Infrastructure Climate Resiliency Subcommittee

Mr. Paul Muniz is present on the Wastewater Infrastructure Climate Resiliency Subcommittee.

The Subcommittee met today, considered contingency for Phase 1 resiliency.

The Subcommittee recommends Phase 2 proposal with subcommittee members in the next 30 days with Engineering. They looked at a report for Phase 2. At the next meeting they will have a special review.

At the next meeting on June 4, 2024, the prepared scope of the work will be discussed.

b. Rose Hill Development sewer extension

Mr. Doug Anderson, and Mr. Paul Santabarbara are present to discuss this sewer extension. Mr. Anderson presents a map with where the sewer lines would be extended.

The history of this project goes back to 2008-2009 when a developer was planning to build 10 single family homes in the area of Rose Hill. This was originally a chicken farm.

The entire area has failed septic systems, and prior discussions was to put sewers in the area, and once a house in that area has a failed septic system, they could hook up to the Town sewers.

The property has changed hands. Mr. Santabarbara is the fourth developer purchasing this property in 2019-2020, for these houses to be built. Mr. Hoeffler said the Town would like to see sewers in this area. The clay in that area is why the septic tanks are failing. East Shore Health District is behind sewers in that area.

This project needs to go before Inland Wetlands and Planning and Zoning.

Once a letter of agreement from the Town is received the Town can take control of having sewers installed.

There are State Statutes and there would have to be a public hearing, with certified letters sent to residents. Based on the number of units being built a base district rate will be determined.

There could be some difficulties on Pinski Drive because the lines would have to go through Lakeview Plaza.

No action will be taken today.

We will have further discussion at the next meeting with a possible vote.

Reports:

Town Engineer's Report

Mr. John Hoefferle has no report at this time.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Brian Devlin presents his report. Sewage processed 4.6 AVG MGD

Septic Waste processed 1,033,000, with Septic Receiving Revenues \$74,306.35.

Plant operations replaced brush holders on three secondary clarifier launders. Flushed and cleaned the odor control unit. Kovacs construction started installation of septic receiving unit. Repaired truck loading pump. Cleaned UV system. Cleaned D O Probes in oxidation ditches. Ordered a new portable D O meter.

Collection System: Cleaned and inspected pump stations weekly. Pumped out holding tanks weekly. Removed rags from pumps at Hemlock Pump Station. Bradley Pump Station #1. Pump was sent out to be repaired. Clean easement behind CVS and removed 6 large trees. Installed a new pump at Pawson Pump Station. Installed new control cabinet at Johnson Point Pump Station. Camera 15734 feet of sewer line. Jet 7449 feet of sewer line.

Mr. Tamsin questioned if the road crew can get to all easements. The jet hoses are 400 to 500 feet. They can handle them.

More discussion on the 245 East Main Street repairs, Attorney Berdon is working with Insurance to get us reimbursed for the expenses we incurred due to these repairs.

WCA Attorney's Report:

No report due to Attorney Berdon's absence.

Adjournment:

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Tamsin and seconded by Mr. Uihlein. Motion carries unanimously at 8:08 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Camille Linke, Clerk