WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY MINUTES

COMMUNITY HOUSE, 46 CHURCH STREET, BRANFORD, CT REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2022 7 P.M.

Chairman Mark Winik called the meeting to order at 7:03 P.M.

Roll Call: Chairman Mark Winik, Mike Tamsin, David Steinhardt, Kurt Uihlein, and Yvette Larrieu via zoom at 7:14 P.M.

Also Present: Engineer John Hoefferle, and Attorney Peter Berdon

Absent: Superintendent Brian Devlin, and Joseph Herget

Approval of Minutes – 5/10/2022

A motion was made to approve the minutes by Mr. Uihlein, and seconded by Mr. Tamsin. Mr. Steinhardt abstains. Motion carries.

Correspondence

No Correspondence

Approval of Vouchers

No Vouchers

Sewer Access Applications

a. 24 Matthew Road – single family residence

This is a one family home, approved by Planning & Zoning, looking for an extension to lateral. They will pay the \$6,000.00 access charge.

A motion was made by Mr. Steinhardt to approve the extension to 24 Matthew Road, subject to a sewer agreement, and seconded by Mr. Uihlein. Motion carries unanimously.

b. 85 Cherry Hill Rd. 2 family residence

Engineer Jim Criscuolo represents this residence. This is another conversion from septic to sewers. Would disconnect the septic and add to sewers.

A motion was made by Mr. Steinhardt to approve the sewer access at 85 Cherry Hill Rd., subject to a sewer agreement, and seconded by Mr. Uihlein. Motion carries unanimously.

c. 257 East Main St. – food prep/trucks

Engineer Jim Criscuolo presents this applicants proposal. There will be a building for food prep and storage, with outdoor seating. Town would require an AGRU for grease trap. There is no seating in the building, and maximum amount of people would be 100 to 200 a day.

A motion was made to table Item C until later in the meeting by Mr. Steinhardt, and seconded by Mr. Tamsin. Motion carries unanimously.

d. 736 East Main St.-event space, single family residence

Engineer Jim Criscuolo explains this is at Nuzzo Farms, across from the transfer station. This is a long driveway, with a house on the property, and a building that is used for small events. They have about 20 events a year, and catering is brought in. No cooking at premises.

They would run the lateral to the shoulder on side of the road, with forcemain up to the lateral connection.

The sewer use fee would be for 1 EDU for the house, and commercial calculation for the event building.

A motion was made by Mr. Steinhardt, subject to sewer agreement, and seconded by Mr. Tamsin. Motion carries unanimously.

e. 119 Montowese St. – 3 unit residential, restaurant

Engineer Jim Crisculo, said this building held an old bank with house additions with two units. The teller was way in the back of the building.

Change of use from bank to restaurant. The flow would be 5 times different from the current flow.

Mr. Hoefferle said increasing the flow to the Meadow St. sewer system, which is up to 80% capacity now, and is subject to a capacity study.

A motion was made to approve the proposed 3 unit residential and restaurant, subject to a capacity study and sewer agreement by Mr. Steinhardt, and seconded Mr. Uihlein.

c. 257 East Main Street – Food prep/trucks – continued
 A motion was made to reopen item C my Mr. Steinhardt and seconded by Mr. Tamsin.

Attorney Berdon said a formula will be set by the Assessor, and The WPCA should go back and revisit this item for future applications.

Motion to approve 257 East Main Street – Food prep/trucks was approved subject to Town Ordinance and Health Department regulations, and a sewer agreement, by Mr. Steinhardt and seconded by Mr. Tamsin. Motion carries unanimously.

Attorney Berdon requests 434 East Main Street be added to the agenda.

A motion was made to add Item f. to the agenda by Mr. Steinhardt, and seconded by Mr. Uihlein. Motion carries unanimously.

f. 434 East Main Street.

The property owner is requesting WPCA approve the installation and manhole at the site. Already approve by Planning & Zoning. The sewer is extremely deep. Doesn't want to install a storm water management structure only to have it disturbed.

Mr. Hoefferle states, the building does not yet exist. They have already approved access of building, did site work, came to install. No agreement in place, no proposed building, not allowed to connect to the sewer main.

Mr. Berdon stated that if the WPCA agrees to approve, the agreement will be recorded on land records. Mr. Winik will sign both copies of the letter.

A motion was made by Mr. Steinhardt to approve installation to lateral at 434 East Main Street, subject to terms and conditions of June 14, 2022 letter, to property owner, and seconded by Mr. Uihlein. Motion carries unanimously.

Discussion, and if appropriate take action regarding revision to Goodsell Point Sewer design.

Thom Knowlton, Civil Engineer, and Sal Marottoli, owner are here to present latest revisions to an already approved sewer access proposal.

They are proposing will be 15 units and 16 lateral kits with check valves and ball valves on a low pressure system.

Access has already been approved with a central pump station.

The pros and cons of the low pressure system were discussed at length.

There was further discussion regarding if something fails, is the Town is responsible?

A motion was made to table this item by Mr. Steinhardt, with a special meeting being held to further discuss on June 28, 2022, and seconded by Ms. Larrieu. Motion carries.

Discussion, and if appropriate take action regarding Sewer Access Charge reduction for Goodsell Point development (Marina Village)

A motion was made to table this item until the June 28th special meeting by Mr. Steinhardt and seconded by Ms. Larrieu. Motion carries.

Account Transfer -

FROM: Professional Development 21043030 533300 (\$3,400.00)

TO: Fuel Oil 21043030 544110 \$3,400.00

A motion was made to approve the transfer from Professional Development to Fuel Oil account by Mr. Steinhardt, and seconded by Mr. Uihlein.

Discussion and update – WPCA/Coastal Vulnerability Committee

Mr. Steinhardt would like to end this Coastal Vulnerability Committee. They met a few times, and feel they covered all that is necessary.

A motion was made to end the Coastal Vulnerability Committee by Mr. Steinhardt, and seconded by Mr. Uihlein. Motion carries unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Steinhardt to table agenda items 10 and 11 at this time and seconded by Ms. Larrieu.

Adjournment:

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Steinhardt, and seconded by Mr. Tamsin. Motion carries unanimously at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Camille Linke, Clerk