

**WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
MINUTES
ZOOM MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, August 11, 2020 7:00 P.M.**

Chairman Mark Winik called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Chairman Mark Winik, Robert Imperato, Joseph Herget, Ryan Sullivan, David Steinhardt, and Yvette Larrieu

Also Present: Superintendent Brian Devlin, Town Engineer John Hoefflerle, and Attorney Peter Berdon

Absent: Mike Tamsin

Approval of Minutes – June 9, 2020

A motion was made by Mr. Imperato to approve the minutes as presented, and seconded by Mr. Steinhardt. Motion carries unanimously.

Sewer Access Applications – 108 Flax Mill Road, single-family residential

Mr. Hoefflerle explains, this is a single family residence on Flax Mill Road and Partridge Lane. With the subdivision of Mr. Vigliotti, sewers were extended. In hooking up, this resident is subject to the \$6,000.00 access fee.

A motion was made to approve the sewer access application by Mr. Steinhardt, and seconded by Mr. Imperato. Motion carries unanimously.

Sewer Use Fee Adjustments – 4 Beaver Road (conditional)

Mr. Hoefflerle explains, this is a property with a single family house and 6 various buildings on the property. We received correspondence from the property owner, stating they had a backup, a company came out and videotaped the line, and it was determined that it went into a tank and not the sewer. We just received this correspondence in July. Assistant Town Engineer Jennifer Acquino recently set up with the property owner, to dye test all the buildings on the property to determine which buildings are connected, and which are not. The sewer bills go out on September 1st and are due on October 1st. This is the reason for the WPCA to give conditional approval to adjust the bill. They are requesting a refund for the appropriate amount of money that was paid, for the last 3 years as was past practice. We will dye test all the buildings on the property, see what is connected and recalculate the EDU's for the sewer use fee.

It is recommended the WPCA conditionally approve a revision to the EDU's to appropriately reduce the sewer use fees due October 1, 2020, and refund 3 years of any overpayments of sewer use fees, if applicable.

A motion was made to refund based on the amount paid for sewer use fees, and revisited once dye testing is complete to go forward with the cost by Mr. Steinhardt, and seconded by Mr. Imperato. Motion carries unanimously.

Correspondence:

No Correspondence at this time.

Superintendent's Reports:

Mr. Devlin sent his report to the commission, and will answer any questions regarding the report.

The plant is running well, and we handled the storm very well. We had no violations. He received a few calls from the Dept. of Aquaculture, CT. DEEP, and Health Department. The crews did an excellent job throughout the storm and after the storm with power outages.

Town Engineer's Report:

The Hemlock forcemain project is pretty much wrapped up. There is one more test on the manhole, and then as part of the project they are required to mill and pave an entire lane. That will likely be in the fall.

On Riverview Ave, one of the owners on a holding tank has approached us, and is actively looking to hook up. Currently in negotiations to obtain an easement due to rock ledge there. The other property, with 2 separate holding tanks, is currently for sale, and the order to connect is filed on land records. Anyone who is looking to purchase the property will be required to hook up to the sewer.

We are currently interviewing for Brian's former job, Operations Manager. We have narrowed it down to two candidates, and they will be back for a second interview. Both candidates will be a good fit for the position.

WPCA Attorney's Report:

Attorney Berdon said some time ago the Commission approved the sewer access for the new Vigliotti project at the old Cosgrove Property. He is in the process of finalizing the agreement. Once complete, he will have Mr. Winik in to sign the agreement.

Adjournment:

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Steinhardt, and seconded by Mr. Herget At 7:20 P.M. Motion carries unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Camille Linke, Clerk

