

## DRAFT MINUTES

Minutes of meeting of the Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA) held on October 24, 2016 in the Conference Room of the Water Pollution Control Facility, 1122 Universal Drive.

PRESENT: Lane, Pellegrino, Sheridan, Stamp and Werner  
ABSENT: Abercrombie, Freda  
ALSO PRESENT: Jonathan Bodwell, Town Engineer  
Mark Barrows, Plant Manager, Veolia Water  
Cheryl Maratea, Public Works

Mr. Werner, Chairman of the WPCA, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. **Minutes of the previous meeting** – Chairman Werner asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2016 meeting. Mr. Lane motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Stamp. Mr. Pellegrino abstained. All others in favor.
2. **Proposed Sanitary Sewer Force Main – 845 & 849 Middletown Avenue** - Mr. Michael Bennett, surveyor, representing the applicant, Timberwood Homes. Timberwood Homes owns the land at 845 and 849 Middletown Ave. This land will be subdivided into three (3) building lots. He presented the commission the details of the proposed Sanitary Sewer Force Main at the intersection of Knight Lane and Middletown Avenue. An existing gravity line is already in place. He is seeking approval to install a force main across Middletown Ave and thru the land owned by Len Fasano. Mr. Fasano has already agreed to allow an easement for the force main. Mr. Bodwell told the commission that the town does not own Knight Lane. The owners of the new homes would be responsible for the pumps needed. If it is approved with an easement thru Mr. Fasano's land it would be difficult for the town to maintain this line as there are no manholes or cleanouts. Another option was presented by the commission to go farther down the road. This option would be better for the town as there would be better access to the line. This would be 10 feet from the curb. Mr. Bodwell, the Town Engineer, will work with the developer to make sure this is done in the correct location. Mr. Werner asked for a motion to approve the Force Main connection instead of the originally proposed. Ms. Sheridan motioned to approve, Mr. Stamp seconded. Mr. Pellegrino recused himself.
3. **Sump Pump – 1704 Ridge Road** - Mr. Bodwell was called to this residence by the North Haven Fire Department and Building official after discovering a Sump Pump in the basement was draining into the sewer line. A certified letter was sent to the owner of the property requesting the immediate disconnect and removal of the sump pump. Mr. Bodwell will follow up to confirm the pump has been removed.
4. **WPCF Plant Operations- status report (MB – Veolia)** Mr. Barrows reported the plant is running well and there were no violations to report. There is currently \$11,300 in Nitrogen credits that we can sell, \$7000-\$8000 more is expected by the end of the month.
5. **Aeration Basin Pump (MB –Veolia)** - Mr. Barrows made the recommendation to the commission that the pump on Basin #1 be replaced. It was discovered that the pump is compromised. It has been running continuously under water for 11 years. It has been plugged. This is only a temporary fix .The

cost to repair the pump is \$6100, to replace would be a cost of \$13,130. . Mr. Stamp motioned to replace the pump, seconded by Mr. Pellegrino. The vote was unanimous in favor.

6. **NPDES Permit (MB – Veolia)** - Mr. Barrows again updated the commission on the NPDES Permit. The plant is currently operating under the new permit. The cost of the new permit is \$14,000 for the first year due to the additional testing and equipment needed. Annually it will be \$7500 to renew...more than in previous years due to the additional testing required.
7. **5 year Capital Equipment Requests (MB – Veolia)** – Mr. Barrows went over the Capital Item requests with the members of the commission. He does this yearly for Lynn Sadosky and Jonathan Bodwell. This list has been prioritized by Mr. Barrows. The Fire Protection System is still on this list. The town currently has a quote. The Aeration blower has been running for 11 straight years, over 100,00 hours run time. A new blower and VFD needs to be installed. There are many items on this list, but long range by the year 2020 due to State of Connecticut regulations all underground storage tanks must be removed.
8. **Barnes Pump Replacement (MB – Veolia)** - Mr. Barrows informed the commission that the Barnes pump has failed. He recommended that this be replaced. This is the original pump, 25 years old. The cost is \$4200 to repair, \$5200 to replace. Mr. Pellegrino motioned to have the pump replaced, seconded by Ms. Sheridan. The vote was unanimous in favor.
9. **CIPP Repair – Proposed – (JB)** – Mr. Bodwell has given Mr. Barrows the ok to start the repairs of approximately 15 leaks/defects detected in the sewer lines
10. **Sewer Use Adjustment Request – Carmel Realty – 59 Old Broadway East (JB)** – The owners of 59 Old Broadway East requested an adjustment be made to their Sewer Use bill, claiming a leak in a pipe caused the large amount of water usage. This is third 3<sup>rd</sup> time the same request has been made. Relief was given the two previous times. After much discussion the commission agreed not to give any adjustment /relief for this bill citing it is the owner’s responsibility to have the leak repaired. properly. Mr. Lane made the motion to deny the request seconded by Mr. Stamp. The vote was unanimous in favor to deny the request.
11. **Payment of Bills** - None
12. **Summer Lane Assessments (JB)** – Mr. Bodwell updated the commission on the Summer Lane assessments.
13. **Public Comments** – None
14. **Adjournment** -Mr. Pellegrino motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Stamp. The vote was unanimous in favor. The meeting ended at 6:44 P.M.