

MINUTES

WEBEX ONLINE

REGULAR MEETING

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

September 3, 2020

PRESENT:

Director, Joseph Fazzino
Deputy Director, Donald Fisco
Chief Engineer, Brian Robillard
Chairman, Dale Aldieri
Vice Chairman, Scott Bishel
Councilmatic Representative, Gene Nocera
Commissioner, Jack Pieper
Commissioner, John Giuliano

I. Open Meeting (started at 7:14pm)

Director Fazzino indicated that Glen Russo was present during the WEBEX Meeting. Mr. Russo is requesting a one-time good will adjustment on his property located at 472 Newfield Street. He does not reside at this address. Director Fazzino indicated that he did make 50% of his payment on his bill. After Mr. Russo's discussion, Director Fazzino indicated that Accounts Payable Bruton did not have a chance to provide a calculation. This matter can be placed on the WPCA agenda for their October meeting.

Richard Price was also present from the public regarding a good will adjustment, he paid half of the bill. Director Fazzino indicated to Mr. Price that Accounts Supervisor Bruton will have to calculate what they good will adjustment and present it at the next WPCA meeting in October.

Deputy Director then indicated that Deputy Director Chris Holden and Councilmatic Representative Loffredo were also present at this time to speak.

First, a motion was made by Councilmatic Representative Nocera and seconded by Commissioner Giuliano to move Item #9 MOU-Feasibility Study to expand the FBI

Facility and provide sound abatement and lead abatement under new business to the top of the Agenda. Vice Chairman Scott Bishel, Councilmatic Representative Gene Nocera, Commissioner Jack Pieper, Commissioner John Giuliano and Chairman Dale Aldieri were all in agreement. Motion was approved unanimously.

Director Fazzino discussed the above matter briefly and then let Deputy Director Holden from Public Works and Deputy Mayor/Chairman, Vincent Loffredo of the Building Committee for the Fire Range to explained that the MOU to move this project forward. An email from Vincent Loffredo was sent to Director Fazzino regarding the Construction of a building adjacent to the range and would like it to be read into record;

“Good Evening Members of the Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA), I’m Vincent Loffredo, Deputy Mayor/Councilman and Chair of the Middletown Police Department Firing Range Building Committee. On your agenda this evening is a new business item section V.9 titled “MOU-Addlt. Building for Fire Range (enclosed)”. Enclosed with your agend this evening is a copy of the proposed Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the City of Middletown. It allows for “the development of a feasibility study of the construction of a law enforcement firearms training facility—at Mt. Higby Water Facility”. Under section 5)SCOPE b) requires that the feasibility study include “Costs associated with the construction of a building adjacent to the range,...”. In order for the proposed study to move forward, the Firing Range Committee needs to know if the WPCA would allow the property of the current range to be expanded to include enough WPCA land to accommodate the construction of the proposed building. Chris Holden, Deputy Director of Public Work, serves as staff to the committee and he will provide you this evening with the details regarding the proposed building. As chairperson of the Firing Range Committee, I endorse the inclusion of the section 5) SCOPE b) in the proposed MOU only if the WPCA affirms that additional property adjacent to the range can be added to the present site to accommodate the proposed construction. Thank you for your consideration of our request. Sincerely yours, Vincent Loffredo, Deputy Mayor/Councilman, Chair of Firing Range Building Committee.”

After additional discussion, a motion was made by Councilmatic Representative Nocera and seconded by Commissioner Pieper to approve of the Fire Range Building Committee to go forward with their feasibility study and WPCA supports them in utilizing the land the WPCA has control over. All those is favor were Vice Chairman Bishel, Commissioner Giuliano, Commissioner Jack Pieper, Councilmatic Representative Nocera. Motion was approved unanimously.

II. Reports, Minutes and Correspondence

1. Minutes of Regular Meeting of July 16, 2020

A motion was made by Commissioner Jack Pieper and seconded by Commissioner John Giuliano to approve the Minutes of Regular Meeting of July 16, 2020. Motion was approved unanimously.

2. Letters to USEPA & CTDEEP Re:2020 Annual Report

This was for informational purposes only.

III. Transfers/Fund Updates

1. Monthly Fund Balance Reports-August

The monthly fund balance report was submitted to the WPCA for informational purposes.

2. Collection Report – Status Update

There was no collection report at this time.

3. Consumption Report

This report was submitted to the WPCA for informational purposes.

IV. Old Business

1. Haveli Restaurant Update-Good Will Adjustment

A motion was made by Commissioner Giuliano and seconded by Vice Chairman Bishel to deny the goodwill adjustment for Haveli India Restaurant at 1300 Main St. because it is commercial property. Vice Chairman Bishel-Yes, Councilmatic Representative Nocera-Nay, Commissioner Pieper-Yes, Commissioner Giuliano-Yes. Motion was approved.

2. Faith Lutheran Church Update

A motion was made by Commissioner Giuliano and seconded by Vice Chairman Bishel to deny the goodwill adjustment for the Faith Lutheran Church because it is commercial property. Vice Chairman Bishel-Yes, Councilmatic Representative Nocera-Nay-, Commissioner Pieper-Yes, Commissioner Giuliano-Yes. Motion was approved.

V. New Business

1. Eversource Access Easement at 116 Berlin Street

Director Fazzino gave a brief description on the request from Eversource to approve an easement in their favor at 116 Berlin Street. This was discussed further in their agreement that was attached for the WPCA.

A motion was made by Commissioner Giuliano and seconded by Councilmatic Representative Nocera to approve Eversource's access easement at 116 Berlin Street as discussed. Vice Chairman Bishel-Yes, Councilmatic Representative Nocera-Yes, Commissioner Pieper-Yes, Commissioner Giuliano-Yes. Motion was approved unanimously.

2 Water & Sewer Budget Annual CNR Budget

This was for informational purposes only.

3 2020/2021 Water CNR

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MIDDLETOWN WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY THAT: That the following line item creation as so attached be authorized for the Water Department Fiscal Year 20/21 Capital Non-Recurring (CNR) Budget in the amount of \$400,000;

5010-60000-79492-0000-00000-2020-000	Vehicle Replacement	\$ 35,000
5010-60000-79499-0000-00000-2020-000	Building Maintenance	\$ 10,000
5010-60000-79500-0000-00000-2020-000	Office Equipment	\$ 5,000
5010-60000-79501-0000-00000-2020-000	Well Redevelopment	\$ 60,000
5010-60000-79502-0000-00000-2020-000	DOT/DPW/Misc. Equipment	\$ 20,000
5010-60000-79505-0000-00000-2020-000	Laboratory Equipment	\$ 5,000
5010-60000-79526-0000-00000-2020-000	Computers & Software	\$ 5,000
5010-60000-79567-0000-00000-2020-000	Water Treatment/PS Repair, Replace, Improve	\$120,000
5010-60000-79568-0000-00000-2020-000	Water Meters	\$ 35,000
5010-60000-79571-0000-00000-2020-000	Hydrants	\$ 35,000
5010-60000-79574-0000-00000-2020-000	Water Distribution Repair, Replace, Improve	\$ 50,000
5010-60000-79594-0000-00000-2020-000	Customer Billing	\$ 10,000
5010-60000-79XXX-0000-00000-2020-000	Property Acquisition	\$ 10,000
	TOTAL	\$400,0000

A motion was made by Commissioner Pieper and seconded by Councilmatic Representative Nocera to approve the above referenced resolution and forward it to Common Council. Vice Chairman Bishel-Yes, Councilmatic Representative Nocera-Yes, Commissioner Peiper-Yes, Commissioner Giuliano-Yes. Motion was approved unanimously.

4 2020/2021 Sewer CNR

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MIDDLETOWN WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY THAT: That the following line item creation as so attached be authorized for the Sewer Department Fiscal Year 20/21 Capital Non-Recurring Budget in the amount of \$500,000;

2360-650000-79499-0000-00000-2020-000	Building Maintenance	\$ 20,000
2360-650000-79500-0000-00000-2020-000	Office Equipment & Furniture	\$ 5,000
2360-650000-79506-0000-00000-2020-000	Pump Station Repair, Replace, Improve	\$150,000
2360-650000-79508-0000-00000-2020-000	DOT/DPW Misc. Equipment	\$ 95,000
2360-650000-79509-0000-00000-2020-000	Sewers Various Areas	\$ 70,000
2360-650000-79526-0000-00000-2020-000	Computers & Software	\$ 10,000
2360-650000-79594-0000-00000-2020-000	Customer Billing Software	\$ 25,000
2360-650000-79632-0000-00000-2020-000	Vehicle Replacement	\$ 95,000
2360-650000-79714-0000-00000-2020-000	CMOM Program	\$ 20,000
2360-650000-79XXX-000-00000-2020-000	Property Acquisition	\$ 10,000
	TOTAL	\$500,000

A motion was made by Commissioner Giuliano and seconded by Vice Chairman Bishel to approve the above referenced resolution. Motion was approved unanimously.

5 Memo to Finance re: Water & Sewer Budget Adjustments

Two resolutions were presented for approval as discussed in the memo to Finance.

Water Fund:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MIDDLETOWN WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY THAT: That the following line items for the 2016 Water CNR be closed and that the remaining funds be transferred to the Water Fund Balance;

5010-60000-79492-0000-2016-000	Vehicle Replacement	\$ 5,385.51
5010-60000-79499-0000-2016-000	Building Maintenance	\$ 1,399.00
5010-60000-79567-0000-2016-000	Pump Station R, R&I	\$ 2,634.36
5010-60000-79574-0000-2016-000	Distribution R, R&I	\$ 1,572.50
5010-60000-79706-0000-2016-000	Cimarron Tank	\$77,551.97
	TOTAL	\$88,543.34

A motion was made by Commissioner Giuliano and seconded by Councilmatic Representative Nocera to approve the above referenced resolution. Vice Chairman Bishel-Yes, Councilmatic Representative Nocera-Yes, Commissioner Pieper-Yes, Commissioner Giuliano-Yes. Motion was approved unanimously.

Sewer Fund:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MIDDLETOWN WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY THAT: The following line items for the 2016 Sewer CNR be closed and that the remaining funds be transferred to the Sewer Fund Balance.

2360-65000-79506-0000-2016-000	Pump Station R, R&I	\$ 1,494.69
2360-65000-79509-0000-2016-000	Sewers Various	\$ 1,967.50
2360-65000-79714-0000-2016-000	CMOM	\$50,000.00
	TOTAL	\$53,462.19

A motion was made by Commissioner Giuliano and seconded by Vice Chairman Bishel to approve the above referenced resolution. Vice Chairman Bishel-Yes, Councilmatic Representative Nocera-Yes, Commissioner Pieper-Yes, Commissioner Giuliano-Yes. Motion was approved unanimously.

6 86 Chestnut Street/Sal & Mary Spada-Good Will Adjustment

A motion was made by Commissioner Giuliano and seconded by Councilmatic Representative Nocera to approve the Good Will Adjustment for 86 Chestnut Street in the amount of \$566.72. Vice Chairman Bishel-Yes, Councilmatic Representative Nocera-Yes, Commissioner Pieper-Yes, Commissioner Giuliano-Yes. Motion was approved unanimously.

7 80 Barbara Road/Nadine Marota-Good Will Adjustment

A motion was made by Commissioner Giuliano and seconded by Councilmatic Representative Nocera to approve the Good Will Adjustment for 80 Barbara Road in the amount of \$234.51. Vice Chairman Bishel-Yes, Councilmatic Representative Nocera-Yes, Commissioner Pieper-Yes, Commissioner Giuliano-Yes. Motion was approved unanimously.

8 104 Hickory Circle/Williams & Schwartz-Good Will Adjustment

A motion was made by Commissioner Giuliano and seconded by Councilmatic Representative Nocera to approve the Good Will Adjustment for 104 Hickory Circle in the amount of \$644.89. Vice Chairman Bishel-Yes, Councilmatic Representative Nocera-Yes, Commissioner Pieper-Yes, Commissioner Giuliano-Yes. Motion was approved unanimously.

9 MOU-Addtl. Building for Fire Range

This item was moved to the beginning of the agenda.

VI. Staff Reports

1. Durham Water – Update

Assistant Chief Engineer Robillard stated that Ludlow Construction will be paving the water trench in South Main street during the month of September. Construction the new water storage tank near Talcott Ridge is underway. The crane is expected next week so they can begin erecting the pre-cast panels. The project is generally on schedule.

2. Mattabassett Pump Station Project

Director Fazzino indicated that there were some flows issues with the project that was further discussed. Director Fazzino had other matters on this project to be discussed.

3. Old Mill Project-Update

Assistant Chief Engineer Robillard said that this project is nearly complete and little work was completed since the last WPCA meeting. Public Works is still working with the contractor to address paving issues on this project.

4. John S. Roth Plant

Director Fazzino indicated that a few projects were moving along on this project. The Department has started its pilot project to switch from chlorine gas to hypochlorite for disinfection. A pre-construction meeting will be held on September 14, 2020 for the wellfield improvement project which includes work at wells 1 and 3.

VII. Executive Session-None

There was no Executive Session.

VIII. Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made by Commissioner Giuliano and seconded by Councilmatic Representative Nocera to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Brian Robillard
Chief Engineer/
Acting Secretary for the W.P.C.A.