

MINUTES

WEBEX ONLINE

REGULAR MEETING

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

OCTOBER 1, 2020

PRESENT:

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

I. Open Meeting (started at 7:08pm)

Glen Russo was present during the WEBEX Meeting to speak about his request for a one-time good will adjustment for his property located at 472 Newfield Street. Mr. Russo does not reside at this address. Supervisor Bruton calculated the value of the good will adjustment at \$1,143.22. Chairman Aldieri indicated that he will bring this up to the WPCA under New Business.

Director Fazzino indicated that he did not have anything further from the public to present to the WPCA upon Chairman Aldieri's request. Chairman Aldieri closed the public portion of the meeting.

II. Reports, Minutes and Correspondence

1. Minutes of Regular Meeting of October 1, 2020

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Bishel and seconded by Commissioner John Giuliano to approve the Minutes of Regular Meeting of October 1, 2020. Vice Chairman Bishel-Yes, Councilmatic Representative Pessina-Yes, Councilmatic Representative Nocera-Yes, Commissioner Pieper-Yes, Commissioner Gartner-Yes, Commissioner Giuliano-Yes. Motion was approved unanimously.

III. Transfers/Fund Updates

1. Monthly Fund Balance Reports-September

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. Russo-472 Newfield Street-Good Will Adjustment

Chairman Aldieri indicated that the WPCA per charter only owners and occupants of residential property only which is not the case for Mr. Russo's request. Mr. Russo stated that his house is a two-family but the water bill was from the previous owner. There were some further discussions and the WPCA wants to know who the former owner was and if there's any recourse to collect money from them. This matter was tabled until the next WPCA meeting.

A motion was made by Councilmatic Representative Pessina and seconded by Councilmatic Representative Nocera to table this matter to the next WPCA meeting in November. Vice Chairman Bishel-Yes, Councilmatic Representative Pessina-Yes, Councilmatic Representative Nocera-Yes, Councilman Pieper-Yes, Councilman Gartner-Yes. Motion was approved unanimously.

V. New Business

1. Pirruccio-175 Clover Street-Good Will Adjustment

A motion was made by Councilmatic Representative Pessina and seconded by Councilmatic Representative Nocera to approve the good will adjustment for 175 Clover Street in the amount of \$263.83. Vice Chairman Bishel-Yes, Councilmatic Representative Pessina-Yes, Councilmatic Representative Nocera-Yes, Councilman Pieper-Yes, Councilman Gartner-Yes. Motion was approved unanimously.

2. Proposed Solar Resolution for Water & Sewer Headquarters

Director Fazzino introduced this topic. Michael Harris was present, who is the individual responsible for the new solar roofs and answered Director Fazzino's concerns regarding the installation of new solar panels on the roof at the office. The WPCA members had some questions for Mr. Harris. The WPCA would like to make two separate resolutions put into place to approve them. It was decided that no action would be taken at this matter and this would be tabled to the next WPCA meeting.

3. Approval of Sewer Main Lining-Butternut St. to Spence Dr.

Director Fazzino explained that we have had issues with this section of main and that it is located in easements in people's yards. The main is located between Butternut Street and Spencer Drive. Chief Engineer Robillard drafted memo explaining the issue and the costs of the project. It was requested that the WPCA waive the need to bid the project based on the three prices presented in the memo and the need to address this issue soon.

A motion was made by Councilmatic Representative Nocera and seconded by Councilmatic Representative Pessina to waive the requirement to bid this work. Vice Chairman Bishel-Yes, Councilmatic Representative Pessina-Yes, Councilmatic Representative Nocera-Yes, Councilman Pieper-Yes, Councilman Gartner-Yes. Motion was approved unanimously.

4. Future Projects Funding

This memo was for informational purposes only.

VI. Staff Reports

1. Durham Water – Update

The contractor continued patching the water main trench on Route 17. The storage tank has been erected and the contractor will begin wrapping the pre-stressing wire around the tank. The tank should be complete in a month. The precast structures are being built at the factory and will be installed during the winter and spring. It is anticipated that the system will go online in August 2021. The fire hydrants have been installed, but they are not active.

2. I/I Study

It was asked if the study completed by McGuire needs to be redone. Director Fazzino said he was comfortable with the study.

3. Mattabassett Pump Station Project

The project is complete except for minor punch list items. They have paid the contractor but still owe them retainage. This will be held until punch list items are complete and they pass the final inspection. Made some operational changes to eliminate chemical metering pumps from coming on and off frequently. The decommissioning of the WPCF is nearly complete. The security fence needs to be installed and holes drilled in the concrete for drainage. Should be complete by the end of the year.

4. Old Mill Project-Update

This project is essentially complete. The roads have been repaved and the concrete curb installed. The contractor will topsoil and seed behind the curbs.

5. John S. Roth Plant

Wellfield improvements to upgrade wells 1 and 3 to raise them above the 100 year flood plane. The first progress meeting was held this week. D'Amato Construction mobilized to the site this week and will begin demolition next week.

6. Fountain Avenue Project

DeRita completed most of the utility work and has paved most of the project. There is still some drainage work needed on Warren Street. We are working with Wesleyan to accommodate their schedule when possible. Seth Lentz is managing that project.

7. Columbus Mazzotta Project

Ludlow completed the majority of the water main and sewer work. There is some lateral and lining work left. They are reconstructing the roadway now and plan to pave at the end of October.

VII. Executive Session-None

There was no Executive Session.

VIII. Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



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