

**TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY**

Minutes of Meeting of August 31, 2011

Members Present: Paul Anderson, Tom Davis, Jim Barton, Peter Pippin, Chuck Riggott (Alternate) and Martha Paluch (Alternate)

Members Absent: Dave Tyler

Others Present: WPCF Superintendent E. Arthur Enderle III, WPCA Attorney Vincent Purnhagen, Selectman Richard Pippin, Board of Finance Member Kathy Pippin and Recording Secretary Laura Michael

Time and Place

Paul Anderson, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the East Windsor Water Pollution Control Authority Administration Building, 192 South Water St., East Windsor, CT

I. Designate Alternate

Mr. Riggott acted as a voting member for Mr. Tyler.

II. Added Agenda Items

Motion: To add Jay Ussery of JR Russo & Associates to discuss the extension of the North Road Sewer Project.
Davis/Riggott
Passed unanimously

III. Acceptance of Minutes of July 27, 2011

Motion: To accept the minutes of July 27, 2011.
Barton/Riggott
Passed unanimously

****Attorney Purnhagen arrived at 7:05 pm***

IV. Payment of Bills

Motion: To authorize the payment of the August 31, 2011 bill sheet in the amount of \$40,291.40
Davis/Riggott
Discussion: Mr. Enderle went over the bill sheet outlining any unusual bills.
Passed unanimously

V. Visitors

Kevin Hill, 45 Old Ellington Rd and Don DiFiore

Mr. Hill was unable to attend tonight. He asked to be placed on the September agenda.

Motion: To go out of order and suspend the regular meeting for the purpose of holding the public hearing scheduled for 7:30 p.m.
Barton/Davis
Passed unanimously

VI. Public Hearing Scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

Motion: To open the public hearing for Newberry Village LLC, 60 Mourning Dove Trail and G-III Holdings LLC, 86 Winkler Rd.
Barton/Davis
Passed unanimously

There was no one present for Newberry Village LLC, 60 Mourning Dove Trail. Mr. Enderle explained that this is an active adult unit and one half of the FCC has been paid.

There was no one present for G-III Holdings LLC, 86 Winkler Rd. Mr. Enderle explained that this is a new single family home and one half of the FCC has been paid.

Motion: To close the public hearing for Newberry Village LLC, 60 Mourning Dove Trail and G-III Holdings LLC, 86 Winkler Rd.
Davis/Pippin
Passed unanimously

Motion: To go out of order to Added Agenda Items.
Davis/Riggott
Passed unanimously

VII. Added Agenda Item

Extension of the North Road Sewer Project

Mr. Enderle explained that at the last pay requisition meeting Mr. Frank Petrella held a conference call with Ms. Sue Gregware of the USDA to discuss changing the scope of the North Road Sewer Project. It appears there will be surplus funds that would allow for the construction of a gravel access road at the new pump station and to extend the sewer line in an easterly direction on North Rd. Mr. Enderle asked Attorney Purnhagen if the easements would allow this. Attorney Purnhagen replied that the easement allows for access and maintenance. Mr. Ussery explained that this would be a gravel road to the pump station that follows the center line of the sewer; it will not provide access to North Rd. Mr. Enderle explained that they would like to use the surplus funds for this gravel road and to also extend the sewer line further past Mullen Rd. There is expected to be \$700,000 in savings because they have not had to use any sheeting. The load portion of the funding needs to be used before the Town can receive the "free" grant money. Of the \$700,000 of savings, approximately \$70,000 will be used to upgrade the SCADA system, \$95,000 for the gravel access road, and \$80,000 for the contaminated soil cleanup. It is believed that they would be able to extend the sewer line an additional 1500' – 1600' easterly on North Rd. They would submit a change order to the USDA; it is a simple process.

Mr. Ussery spoke about applying for additional funding for phase II of the North Road Sewer Extension Project and the route to take. The routes to consider would be North Rd and Melrose to Yosky Rd which is about 4,500 L.F., Wells Rd to Skylark Airport which is about 3,000 L.F. or Rolocut Rd which is about 2,400 L.F. Mr. Ussery went over the tasks involved in Phase II of the North Rd Sewer Extension. The estimate for the engineering services for Phase II of the North Road Sewer Extension is approximately \$71,000.

Mr. Barton asked if they could extend the scope of the project, what was approved by the Town for the project. Mr. Ussery explained that they have time to get the answers; this extension would not happen until spring of 2012. Mr. Barton felt that they should take advantage of spending the grant by expanding the scope of the project. Mr. Enderle explained that they will need to get a legal opinion. Mr. Anderson asked if they would need to go out to bid. Mr. Ussery explained that this is a change order; there would be no need to go out to bid.

Mr. Enderle explained to the Board that two decisions were needed:

1. To give conditional approval or a consensus to expand the scope of the project.
2. To give approval to Russo's to apply for additional funding before the next census is released.

Motion: To issue a change order to extend the North Road Sewer as far as able with surplus funds appropriated contingent with the approval of Bond Council.
Barton/Riggott
Passed unanimously

There was a discussion of where the money for the engineering of Phase II of the North Road Sewer Extension would come from. Mr. Enderle went over the different funds available to the WPCA.

Motion: To proceed with the application process for Phase II of the North Road Sewer Extension.
Barton/Riggott
Passed unanimously

Motion: To authorize the Chairman to accept the proposal submitted by JR Russo & Associates regarding Phase II of the North Road Sewer Extension for the cost of \$70,600 to be paid out of the WPCA Sinking Fund.
Barton/Riggott
Passed unanimously

VII. Public Participation

Mr. Richard Pippin reported that the Town has not heard anything regarding the airport research. He doesn't feel there would be any problems with the change order for North Rd; it's free sewer, people won't need convincing and the Board of Selectmen will back it.

VIII. Receipt of Applications

There were no new applications.

IX. Approval of Applications

There were no applications to be approved.

X. Legal

Attorney Purnhagen reported that he has proceeded with foreclosure on the property discussed last month.

Attorney Purnhagen left the meeting at 8:42 pm

XI. Action of Facility Connection Charges

Motion: To impose the Facility Connection Charges for Newberry Village LLC, 60 Mourning Dove Trail and G-III Holdings LLC, 86 Winkler Rd as published.
Davis/Barton
Passed unanimously

XII. Unfinished Business

Mr. Enderle explained that he has spent 6 months looking at options for repair or replacement of the pumps at the Scantic and Mill St pump stations. The pumps are 25 years old and failed this past March. He received an estimate of \$36,000 per pump from Applied Dynamics. Blake Equipment can provide Homa pumps with a 5 year warranty for just under \$26,000. Mr. Enderle handed out the proposal from Blake Equipment for the replacement of the pumps at the Scantic and Mill St pump stations. There are 2 pumps at each station. The cost per pump is \$25,994 with options for coatings, spare parts and additional metal floor support. There was a discussion concerning the coatings. Mr. Anderson would like to see some life expectancy data. Mr. Barton is in favor of staggering the purchases. Mr. Enderle is concerned that they have 2 pump stations that need 2 pumps each. Mr. Barton felt they should wait until the pumps fail to replace them. Mr. Enderle explained there is a three month lead time on the pumps. Mr. Barton would like more information on the flooring, coatings and the life expectancy of the pumps.

Motion: To purchase (2) Homa pumps at a cost of \$25,994 each, with Belzona coatings on the impellers and volutes at a cost of \$887.50 each and metal flooring for 2 pump stations at a cost of \$6,800 each.
Riggott/Pippin
Passed unanimously

XIII. New Business

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Enderle handed out a report on the CT DEP Nitrogen Program. The East Windsor WPCA has earned \$106,968 in Nitrogen Credits from 2002-2010; the next closest earnings in the North Central Region is \$32,585. Mr. Enderle explained that East Windsor's success is due to Process Control Operator Konrad Karolczuk; it speaks volumes to him. He has done a wonderful job.

Mr. Enderle went over the Superintendent's Report included in the meeting packet and handed out an update on the North Road Sewer Extension. Mr. Enderle reported that Steve Bednarz passed his Grade II Operator's Exam and Jon Ference passed his Grade I Operator's Exam. Mr. Enderle gave credit to his crew for the phenomenal job they did during the storm; they had the experience to know the problem areas. They worked in shifts around the clock.

Fund Transfers

Mr. Enderle explained that these transfers were recommended by Mr. Dennis Greci of the CT DEP.

Motion: To transfer \$185,000 from the WPCA FCC Account to four separate line items in the stated amounts. The balance of the monies allocated to these DEP specific line items will remain in the line item for the next budget year. They will not roll over into the WPCA O&M Budget.

DEP WPCF Major Equipment \$60,000

DEP Pump Station Repair \$50,000

DEP Sewer Line Repair \$50,000

DEP Sewer Line Video Inspection \$25,000

Davis/Riggott

Passed unanimously

XIV. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 9:42 pm
Barton/Riggott

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Michael
Recording Secretary