TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

Minutes of Meeting of November 28, 2018

Members Present: Paul Anderson, Kirk Montstream and John Mazza

Members Absent: Dave Tyler

Others Present: WPCA Chief Operator Edward Alibozek, WPCA Attorney Michael Lanza and Recording

Secretary Laura Michael

Time and Place

Paul Anderson, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. at the WPCA Admin Building, 192 South Water St, East Windsor, CT

I. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. Added Agenda Items

There were no added items.

III. Acceptance of Minutes of October 31, 2018

Motion: To accept the minutes of October 31, 2018.

Montstream/Mazza Passed unanimously

IV. Communications

Mr. Anderson had several articles of communication. The first explained that city officials in Syracuse, NY sent hand written, personal notes to delinquent tax payers. This resulted in increased collections. The second, the Town of Enfield needs to raise its sewer use fee to avoid fines according to their engineer. They are discussing a flat rate vs a metered rate. The third, explained MDC is increasing its budget by 13% and looking for an 11% increase in residential rates. Mr. Mazza asked if East Windsor's rates should be increased to put some funds aside in a contingency fund. Mr. Anderson reported that they would be working on next year's budget soon.

V. Visitors

There were no scheduled visitors.

VI. Public Participation

There was no public participation.

VII. Receipt of Applications

a. Soucy Enterprises LLC, 149 North Rd COM2018-020

The wetlands application was submitted this week. A sewer application and fee has been submitted. Until the wetlands application is approved, we won't know the plan for the sewer installation. The application is incomplete without the plans.

VIII. <u>Approval of Applications</u>

There weren't any applications to be approved.

Motion: To suspend the regular meeting for the purpose of holding the public hearing.

Montstream/Mazza Passed unanimously

IX. Public Hearing

Motion:

To open the public hearing for Merrigan, 33 Wells Rd.

Montstream/Mazza
Passed unanimously

Mr. Anderson read the public hearing notice that was published in the Journal Inquirer.

There was no one present for Merrigan, 33 Wells Rd. Mr. Alibozek explained that this is a new single family home and none of the FCC has been paid.

Motion:

To close the public hearing for Merrigan, 33 Wells Rd.

Montstream/Mazza
Passed unanimously

Motion:

To resume the regular meeting.

Montstream/Mazza Passed unanimously

X. <u>Action on Facility Connection Charges</u>

Motion:

To impose the facility connection charge as published for Merrigan, 33 Wells Rd.

Montstream/Mazza
Passed unanimously

XIII. Legal

a. Retainer Agreement between Attorney Lanza and the WPCA

Attorney Lanza will have something for the next meeting.

b. Sewer Ordinance Revision

Mr. Anderson has requested that this be on the next Selectmen's Agenda; they have been given all the data.

XIV. Unfinished Business

a. IT Status

Mr. Alibozek reported that all is going well. Work will be done in December which will be reported in January.

b. Benefit Assessment Policy

This was not discussed.

XV. New Business

a. Bill Sheet Review

Mr. Anderson reported that we are 42% through the year and 35% of the budget has been expended. Mr. Montstream asked if there was enough money in the budget for the IT upgrades. Mr. Alibozek replied that the items had been purchased and he is waiting for the time to install them.

b. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Alibozek reported that the raw wet well had been cleaned, the pumps and mixers were rebuilt, new guidewires and new transducers were installed. The final contact tank had been recoated, which will add 20 – 30 years to its life. Steve Bednarz was getting flow data from a manhole. This data was given to Konrad Karolczuk to make changes to the operation of the facility. It is important to have trained staff; they were able to run the facility manually. The staff has been receiving ongoing training. Mr. Alibozek thanked the Board for investing in the staff. By investing in the staff, they are investing in the facility. Mr. Anderson pointed out that Mr. Alibozek is a Microsoft Technology Associate.

Mr. Montstream asked about the walk through with Fire Chief Barton. Mr. Alibozek explained that on November 11th there was a petroleum odor at the plant. The odor was also present at the Scantic and Mill St pump stations. There had been a small oil spill in Broad Brook, 10-20 gallons, and it had been contained. That was

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not the cause. On the day that Fire Chief Barton and Fire Marshal Austin did the walk through, there wasn't any odor. Mr. Alibozek reported that today, there was an oil sheen in the contact tank but no odor.

Mr. Montstream asked about Synagro's change in parameters. Mr. Alibozek explained that this is not a concern for us.

Mr. Montstream that he saw the crew working with Charlie Brown on Tromley Rd. Mr. Alibozek reported that they had jetted from the Scantic pump station to the high school. They have a clean line to get a good video. They were also able to video from Yosky Rd to Mullen Rd through manhole in the shoulder of the road. Charlie Brown has a new system that will reach 800'. Mr. Mazza asked if the manholes that were paved over during the State project had been uncovered. Mr. Anderson explained that nothing could be done until the spring.

c. <u>Transfers</u> There weren't any transfers.

XVII. Adjournment

Motion:

To adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Montstream/Mazza Passed unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary

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