

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 14, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Water Pollution Control Authority was called to order by Commissioner DeAngelis at 7:00 P.M. in the Shelton City Hall, 54 Hill Street, Shelton, CT, 06484, on March 14, 2018.

The following Commissioners were present to constitute a quorum:

Commissioner DeAngelis
Commissioner Morse
Commissioner Hellauer
Commissioner Dowty
Commissioner Ramia

Also in attendance were:

Thomas Sym, Sewer Administrator
Pete Pavone – Asst. Sewer Administrator
Edward Comboni - WPCP
Garritt Ogden- WPCP
Matt Jermine – F & O

1. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No one from the public wished to be heard.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF December 13, 2017

A motion was made by Commissioner Hellauer to approve the following meeting minutes:

Regular Meeting of December 13, 2017

Seconded by Commissioner Ramia. A voice vote was taken and motion passed unanimously.

4. COMMUNICATIONS

A. ASSISTANT TO WPCA REPORT

Pete Pavone: Looking at the FOG Report there was 148 FSE's. The number of inspections due for the month of December were 18, 25 was the number of inspections that we did month and 5 failures. In the month of January, we had 10 inspections due; we did 6. There were 2 failures. In the month of February, there were 17 inspections that were due, 13 completed and 1 failure..

B. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The average daily flow was 3.3 MGD; the peak flow for the month of February was 4.5 MGD.

Our effluent total nitrogen was 115 pounds per day. The limit was 106 pounds per day. We pumped out 36.5 dry tons of sludge to Hartford.

We now have had 81 months free from any accidents.

Our safety/training: Hazardous Chemical Safety Plan

Our chemical consumables were approximately the same.

The grease removal for Upper Route 8 in October: 90 pounds, Lower Route 8 was 120 pounds, River Road was 80, Ladas Place was 60 pounds and Meadowlark was 70 pounds. Upper Route 8 was 90 pounds in November, Lower Route 8: 150 pounds, River Road: 90 pounds, Ladas Place was 80 pounds; and Meadowlark was 70 pounds.

Comparing February 2017 the total was 460 pounds, and in February 2018, the total amount of grease was 390 pounds, with a delta of 70 pounds.

We have had 0 complaints this month, making it a total of 66 months free of noise complaints.

We have had 0 odor complaints, which brings us to 57 months of no state-issued odor complaints.

The daily maintenance was basically the same. The corrective maintenance included repairing coolant leak for Beard Sawmill Generator, replace fill hoses for Main Plant Generator Cooling system, ordered phase loss monitor for main pump to bypass drive monitor issue, rebuilt yard hydrant/remove pump Bpt. Avenue Station, and repair barscreen auger (snapped) R/R Main Pump.

The future work includes beginning upgrade project (on weather hiatus), and keep on top of all equipment and controls with daily checks and repair anything as needed.

Overtime Management for the same was the approximately the same as usual.

C. BUDGET WORKSHEET

Commissioner Morse: We should get a check from the state, for the Nitrogen credits, in the amount of \$4,432 in August.

There is a wide gap between the actual revenue and expenses on the budget worksheet, from the Accounting Department. They are one month behind- we are missing insurance activity and we are missing March labor. Overall, we are in good shape.

D. BUDGET 2018/2019

Tom Sym: I went over the WPCA 2018/19 with Ed and Garritt previously, and they are comfortable with the numbers from last year's budget, with a couple of tweaks to the regular payroll contractual obligations. The Personnel Training line item went down a bit, the Overtime Payroll line item went up, Professional Services taking out a bit, Chemicals we are taking out \$19,000.

Commissioner DeAngelis: What did we spend on chemicals?

Tom Sym: For Nutrient Testing, we are taking out \$4,000. For the Social Security line item, we are adding what we feel is necessary to get to last year's budget request.

Commissioner DeAngelis: Tom and I already talked about the budget, and I do not feel that we need to go through each line item in the budget. Unless you prefer to do so?

Commissioner Morse: We talked about how everyone should take a look at the budget between now and the next meeting. We will put the budget on the April meeting agenda, and then we can make a vote on it: \$2,750,000 is the budget number to be voted on.

E. NITROGEN EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Commissioner DeAngelis: The check from the state is roughly going to be around \$4,400.

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. FUSS & O'NEILL STATUS REPORT

1. WPCP PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS

- a. Contractor to resume work following winter shutdown March 26th
- b. Energy Incentive Funding

- I. Awarded in 2018 for Turbo Blowers: \$435,092
- II. Annual limit of \$500,000 (for 2018 and 2019)
- III. Getting a grant in 2019 is going to be unlikely with a lot of competition forecasted
- IV. Turbo Blower startup – mid-June
- V. Receive grant funding – likely in late July
 - c. Lots of good dialog between Fuss & O'Neill and Contractor anticipating construction.
 - d. Submittal log
 - e. Construction Schedule

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. BILLS RENDERED

- 1. C.H. NICKERSON APP. #4 \$16,150.00

A motion was made by Commissioner Ramia to pay Fuss & C.H. Nickerson, \$16,150.00.

Seconded by Commissioner Morse. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

- 2. FUSS & O'NEILL \$10,788.00

A motion was made by Commissioner Hellauer to pay Fuss & O'Neill, \$10,788.00

Seconded by Commissioner Dowty. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

- 3. FUSS & O'NEILL

N/A – No invoice to pay for Sportsman Drive

7. SEWER ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- Tom Sym: We have been looking at videos. I had a blockage a few weeks ago on Williams Street; it was a pretty nasty spill over there.

- Hawk's Ridge- they have not started any major construction projects. They did connect part of the building on Saw Mill Road, for the elderly housing and assisted living units that are going up there.
- We went out to bid for manhole raising replacement covers.
- On next month's agenda, we are going to put something on the agenda for Stratford, and the WPCA budget.

8. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Hellauer to adjourn the March 14, 2018 Regular WPCA meeting at 8:20 P.M.

Seconded by Commissioner Dowty. A voice vote was taken and motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Brittany Gannon

Brittany Gannon, WPCA Clerk