

Town of North Stonington, CT Water Pollution Control Authority

REGULAR MEETING

of the WPCA February 28, 2019 New Town Hall Conference Room 7:00pm

APPROVED MINUTES

(Approved April 25, 2019)

Meeting called to order by B. Currier at 7pm.

Members Present: B. Currier, B. Boissevain, C. Johnson, R. Mason & A. Sadowski Members Absent: None Staff Present: J. Hodge Guests Present: M. Urgo and N. Mullane

There were no additions to the Agenda.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: Motion made and seconded (B. Boissevain/C. Johnson) to approve Minutes of Special Meeting held 2/8/2019. Motion carried.

Update on Sewer tie-in negotiations: M. Urgo updated the WPCA on recent discussions with Stonington First Selectman and recent articles published about the Stonington WPCA's recent meeting to discuss the possible tie-in. M. Urgo submitted an offer to Stonington and is waiting for a response or counter-offer. This item is on the agenda for the next WPCA meeting in Stonington.

M. Urgo suggested that a multi-faceted approach may be needed to provide the necessary infrastructure to support development. Maybe the town would need to partner with a developer to build their own treatment plant for certain areas of town and rely on a tie-in to Stonington for other areas of town needing sewers.

M. Urgo discussed the proposal received from Weston and Sampson to do a formal facilities plan. WPCA in favor of moving forward with this plan.

Update on Westerly Water-line Extension: J. Hodge reported that the Engineers from Westerly had completed the testing/modeling and determined that there was sufficient water for KOA's need. The full report should be ready by Monday. Weston and Sampson to determine next steps to keep this project moving and to determine how many other properties could tie-in.

N. Mullane spoke of the various studies and well borings that had been done in the area to determine availability/quantity of water.

Public Water Supply (well) at 76 Norwich Westerly Rd.: M. Urgo and J. Hodge informed the WPCA of a letter the town recently received about the application to provide a Transient Non-

Community Public Water Supply related to the proposed Gas Station/Convenience Store at 76 Norwich Westerly rd. The Engineering firm putting in the well asked if the town wanted to own and operate the water system. M. Urgo unsure how to respond. N. Mullane explained a little about the history of the water supply systems in town and that everything is currently operated by SCWA under the oversight of the Water Utilities Commission. N. Stonington retains the Exclusive Rights to the service area, but does not physically operate any systems in town.

J. Hodge stated that 75 Frontage Rd. has applied for the same type of system. Hodge will call B. Congdon to find out what the process is to accept or not accept these systems and report back to the WPCA.

Educational Material: WPCA members discussed producing a flyer with information about sewer systems, infrastructure needs to facilitate development, pros and cons of various options, water testing to identify failing septic systems, etc. as a precursor to having a community conversation about economic development and the need for water and sewer. WPCA suggested that EDC sponsor the Community Conversation event.

Adjourn: Motion made and seconded (B. Boissevain/C. Johnson) to adjourn at 8:10am. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Juliet Hodge Planning, Development & Zoning Official

Next Regular meeting will be held on March 28, 2019