

## MINUTES OF THE W.P.C.C. MEETING

4/14/21

The regular meeting/public hearing of the West Haven Water Pollution Control Commission was held on Wednesday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021. In attendance were commissioners, Bill Canning, Andrea Talamelli, Stuart Rosenkrantz, Peter O'Neill, Abdul Quadir, Jack Crosby, Plant Superintendent, Tom McCarthy, Commissioner of Public Work and Mike Last, City Treasurer.

Bill Canning opened up the Public Hearing @ 6:00 pm, per Legal notice which appeared in the New Haven Register on 4/1/2021, regarding the 2021 – 2022 Recommended Budget of \$11,827,836 and sewer use fee of \$426. Bill Canning asked if anyone from the public wished to speak, asking for the second time, and the third and final time. Bill Canning made a motion to close the Public hearing @6:05 pm and Stuart Rosenkrantz seconded the motion.

Bill Canning asked that we approve the minutes from 3/4/2020. Stuart Rosenkrantz made a motion to accept the minutes and Bill Canning seconded it. Andrea Talamelli abstained as she was not present for that last meeting.

### Old Business

Bill Canning opened up the Regular Meeting @ 6:05 pm, asking Jack Crosby to update us on the plant. Jack Crosby mentioned that they are clamping down on businesses in the City. One being cleaners, one, a restaurant, and one a food processor, who are not compliant, which effects the operation of the plant. He also mentioned that we now have a Compliance Inspector. The restaurant, we made fix their problems themselves, even though we were not in violation of our permit.

Bill Canning introduced Peter O'Neill as a new Commissioner. Peter O'Neill talked about the odor control at the plant at length and how the odors are horrendous. He mentioned that we need to bring people in to do a study on the odor control. Andrea Talamelli asked if we did have odor control chemicals in use, but Jack Crosby mentioned it had an effect on the plant media.

Bill Canning mentioned that we have CDM Smith on retainer, and we should ask them to do a study for us on the Odor Control. Abdul Quadir said it would cost \$200,000 for odor control upgrade, and that technology was used everywhere.

Bill Canning mentioned the OutFall pipe, and a report he recently saw done by Black & Veatch and how it will cost 20 million. Bill Canning mentioned putting money in our next budget for this.

Abdul Quadir mentioned sludge disposal options, and that a company, Johnson Controls had done a study recommending anaerobic digestion which would require 4 – 5 acres of land.

Tom McCarthy mentioned the state wants 3-5 acres of land @ Helm Street, as they would like to collect organic waste for recycling. State wants to put up 4 million to get plant up and running.

Peter O'Neill mentioned we need to schedule our monthly meeting dates with the City Clerk's office. The meeting dates will be 5/5, 6/2, 9/1, 10/6, 11/3, and 12/1/2021.

New Business

Abdul Quadir mentioned that 168 Washington Avenue needed to be added to the Meeting Agenda. Peter O'Neill made a motion to add to the agenda, and Stuart Rosenkrantz seconded it.

Abdul Quadir said David DePalma, 168 Washington Avenue, never got the sewer bills as they were going to the actual address, and not his mailing address in Hamden, CT. He's asking to forgo the interest of \$893.52, since 2014. Peter O'Neill made a motion to forgo the interest for 168 Washington Avenue, in the amount of \$893.52, and give refund to David DePalma. Stuart Rosenkrantz seconded it. All were in favor.

Bill Canning made a motion to approve the Recommended Budget in the amount of 11,827,836 and Peter O'Neill seconded it. All were in favor.

Bill Canning made a motion to adjourn @ 6:50 pm. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted.

Patricia Dahlgard