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THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY

The Water and Sewer Authority a regular meeting on May 11, 2017 at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, 24 Commerce Road, Newtown, CT. Chair Brown called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Present: Lou Carbone, Gene Vetrano, Carl Zencey, George Hill

Absent: Marianne Brown, Dick Zang, Alan Shepard

Also Present: Director of Public Work Fred Hurley, Fereshteh Doost from Fuss and O'Neill and Julio Segarra of Suez Water Environmental Services, one member of the public and 2 members of the press

Public Participation – None

Approval of the Minutes – Carl Zencey moved to approve the minutes from the March 9, 2017 Public Hearing, George Hill seconded, motion unanimously approved.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Hawleyville Sewer Extension – Fred Hurley reported that all of the filings have been completed for the benefit assessments for the properties. The general contractor has run into financial difficulties and 4 or 5 vendors have applied to get paid from the payment bond. There is still money being held by the town to finish the project. If there are any technical issues, we will have our on call contractor to do that work. We are prepared to do the last items on the punch list if the vendor does not. The system is technically completed and operating.

NEW BUSINESS

Set Sewer Benefit Assessment for 12 Church Hill Road – Lou Carbone moved to set the benefit assessment for 12 Church Hill Road for 90% of \$26,000. Carl Zencey seconded, motion unanimously approved.

79 Church Hill Road – The WSA has received a letter of interest from Shipman & Goodman to develop the property at 79 Church Hill Road. They are indicating that the size of the project will be more in line of the Incentive Housing Zone.

In line with this, we have been doing a study on the Sandy Hook pump station capacity. One of the concerns they had is not just the projects that go into the pump station, but they were close to an overflow. They found the piping itself is ok but they are going to have to ramp up the pumps for a greater capacity. As part of the upgrade they have plugged in capacity demands if Riverwalk and 79 Church Hill goes through. They are also looking at bringing in Fabric Fire Hose at 75 Glen Road.

They have also been looking at I&I in the system. They have looked at the meter flow for the town system without FFH. There has been very little change since November 2014. FFH has seen a substantial drop of I&I because of the building demolition. The overall flow in the plant is down. It clearly indicates that if they do an aggressive I&I on the town side, flow will significantly be reduced. Mike Burke explained that he has received another quote for smoke testing. They provide the notifications and do all the work and the cost is comparable. They are a good company and provided very detailed reports. They will begin in the Taunton Lake and Hanover Road areas.

79 Church Hill is not bringing an application forward until the WSA completes its capacity review. They know that their application has to go to P&Z first.

Committee Reports – SCADA is up and running.

Report by Suez Water Environmental Services – The plant is running well. The lead is a borderline violation. That number will be dropping with the permit in 5 years so we will never meet it. Fuss & O'Neill is working on a lead study that we hope will lead to a way to reduce current and future levels.

Report by Public Director – None

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm