

4 Turkey Hill Road
Newtown, CT 06470
Tel (203) 270-4300
Fax (203) 426-9968



Fred Hurley,
Director

TOWN OF NEWTOWN
WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY

Marianne Brown,
Chairman
Richard Zang
Louis Carbone
George Hill
Alan Shepard
Eugene Vetrano
Carl Zencey

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

The Water and Sewer Authority a regular meeting on October 12, 2017 at the Wasterwater Treatment Plant, 24 Commerce Road, Newtown, CT. Marianne Brown called the meeting to order at 7:08pm.

Present: Gene Vetrano, Dick Zang, Lou Carbone, Carl Zencey, Marianne Brown, George Hill

Absent: Alan Shepard

Also Present: Director of Public Work Fred Hurley, Mike Burke and Julio Segarra of Suez Water Environmental Services, one member of the public and one member of the press

Public Participation – None

Approval of the Minutes – Carl Zencey moved to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing on August 9, 2017, Marianne Brown seconded, motion unanimously approved.

Gene Vetrano moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on August 9, 2017, Marianne Brown seconded, motion unanimously approved.

Carl Zencey moved to approve the minutes of September 14, 2017 meeting, Gene Vetrano seconded, motion unanimously approved.

Public Participation – Mrs. Payne explained that here retaining wall was removed during the sewer installation. Mr. Hurley explained that Public Works will be doing the work but they are in the middle paving and will get to in the next few weeks

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Hawleyville Sewer Extension – Mr. Hurley reported that other than clean up, there have been some technical issues which Butterworth and Scheck has been hired to repair.

They are waiting on the gas company to finish the installation. The gas and water companies and WSA will share the cost of the paving which is a reduction in costs.

2 Saw Mill has a change in ownership and they want to hook up. They will be coming back to the board with the necessary information to connect. 182 Mt. Pleasant will be doing the same.

Sewer Benefit Assessment for 12 Church Hill Road – Dick Zang moved to hold the hearing until the November 9, 2017 meeting, Gene Vetrano seconded, motion unanimously approved.

Church Hill Village, 37 Church Hill Road - An e-mail was received from the Borough Zoning Commission stating that they approved the application, as presented, subject to approval from WSA and Aquarion. It is in the district, it has laterals on it. Dick Zang moved to authorize Fred Hurley to procure an appraisal for 37 Church Hill based on the application from Borough Zoning. George Hill seconded, motion unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

WSA Finance and Procedures – Dick Zang explained that he and Gene Vetrano met with the Bob Tait the Town's Finance Director and Linda Lang in the Finance department. They found out that they have some real issues practically on the water side. They decided that they should establish their own regulations to make sure it is being done properly. Dick Zang moved to have Dick Zang, Gene Vetrano and Marianne Brown be appointed to an adhoc committee to generate the rules. Lou Carbone seconded, motion unanimously approved.

One of the things they can do to beef up the water side is to set a benefit assessment for all the capital expenses. Up fronting the water improvements could provide relief to pay the sewer fund back.

Committee Reports – None

Report by Suez Water Environmental Services – Julio Segarra reported that they smoke tested 23,897 feet of sewer. Of that there were 6 to 12 findings between catch basins and illegal connections of roof gutter. Public Works will take on the catch basins and a letter will be going out to the homeowners along with the photos.

The plant has been running very well. The nitrogen for the year has been relatively smooth averaging 11-13 which are the best numbers they have ever seen. There will be a credit of approx. \$12,000 to \$13,000. For phosphorus we are just under but were we normally go through 1 to 2 truckloads of alum we are on our 4th truck. The number 1 mixer motor for the aerators will be replaced.

Report by Public Director – Fred Hurley reported that there is another inquiry about putting in a malt liquor entity in the system.

He also reported that the lead study has millstone dates that have been approved by DEEP. We are in compliant.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:27pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Arlene Miles, Clerk