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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 November 9, 2017 at the Wasterwater Treatment Plant, 24 Commerce Road, Newtown, CT. Gene Vetrano called the meeting to order at 7:07pm.

Present: Lou Carbone, Dick Zang, Carl Zencey, Gene Vetrano, Alan Shepard

Absent: Marianne Brown, George Hill

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

Public Participation – None

Approval of the Minutes – Dick Zang moved to approve the minutes of the 10/12/17 Public Hearing. Carl Zencey seconded, motion unanimously approved.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Hawleyville Sewer Extension – Fred Hurley reported that Mrs. Payne’s wall is still in the works. They have had long discussions regarding the type of wall to be constructed and it was decided to put back exactly what was there, a poured concrete wall.

Sewer Benefit Assessment for 12 Church Hill Road – Alan Shepard moved to continue the public hearing for the sewer benefit assessment for 12 Church Hill Road until the December 13, 2017 meeting. Carl Zencey seconded, motion unanimously approved.

Church Hill Village, 37 Church Hill Road – Fred Hurley explained that they are still waiting for documentation to come in and not ready for tonight.

WSA Finance and Procedures – Dick Zang explained that they have been meetings Julio Segarra who operates the Waste Water Treatment Plant as well as Arlene Miles regarding invoice payments. Starting with the accounting side, invoices come to public works, then goes to the Director and then to finance. Repairs are handled by Suez. Those invoices go to Ohio for invoicing and then they come back to public works for payment. Suez has their own coding, finance has their own coding and we all agree that we need to get a better handle on the system. Suez is ready, willing and able to make any changes in the coding. They are recommending an executive committee consisting of the chairman and two others so if Fred Hurley needs an appraisal or purchase order they can authorize it. He asked the board to digest and act at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

2018 Budget – Fred Hurley will back track with the Finance Director and find out where we are at and will have a budget to approve for the next meeting.

2018 Meeting Schedule – Dick Zang moved to accept the 2018 meeting schedule as proposed (Attachment A). Alan seconded motion unanimously approved.

Lead Mass Balance Study – Fred Hurley explained that this was authorized to go to DPH. He authorized the testing primarily where the schools are. Fuss and O'Neill will be doing the testing. This is a single study but it will be going on for a year. At the end of which may be an engineering proposal to correct any problem.

Committee Reports – None

Report by Suez Water Environmental Services – Julio Segarra reported that the plant has been running well. A new motor has been installed in the BFD and there were no grinder pump issues.

Report by Public Director – Fred Hurley reported that there is a possibility of doing another virtual net meter project with the WSA as the sponsor. The state has changed, through a court ruling, that WSA's can be eligible to virtual net metering. We currently have 1 megawatt at the landfill and 2 at the high school. The WSA can put in a bid for virtual net metering and that wouldn't put the town over the cap because they act as an authority. The cost is zero and they would do a power purchase agreement with the developer. It would allow the WSA accounts to do their own virtual net metering.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:21pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Arlene Miles, Clerk

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2018 Meeting Schedule

The Newtown Water and Sewer Authority will hold meetings at 7:00pm in the meeting room at the Treatment Plant, Commerce Road, Newtown, CT on the second Thursday of the month.

Thursday, January 11

Thursday, February 8

Thursday, March 8

Thursday, April 12

Thursday, May 10

Thursday, June 14

Thursday, July 12

Thursday, August 9

Thursday, September 13

Thursday, October 11

Thursday, November 8

Thursday, December 13

Thursday, January 10, 2019