

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

9/11/19

The regular meeting of the West Haven Water Pollution Control Commission was held on Wednesday, September 11th, 2019, postponed from 9/4/19. In attendance were commissioners, Bill Canning, Nathan Wrann, Andrea Talamelli, Peter Bontempo, Stuart Rosenkrantz, Jack Crosby, Plant Superintendent, Abdul Quadir, City Engineer, and Paul Butler, Union President.

Bill Canning opened up the Public Session of the meeting @ 6:45 pm asking if anyone from the Public wished to speak, and Charles Ferraro, State Representative asked to speak. Charles Ferraro asked that the Commission consider a reduction in his sewer use fee. He mentioned that the Water Co. switched him to a Smart Meter, his bills were normally \$60 - \$120, and then he received a water bill for \$5400 @ 766-776 Boston Post Road, West Haven, CT. Water Co. said he was getting estimated bills and this was an actual reading. They reduced it by \$3200. His sewer assessment went from \$420 to \$4,600. This matter of a reduction in sewer fee will be voted on during the regular session.

Paul Butler, Union President @ plant, wished to speak, asking if anyone had any questions for him he was staying for the meeting.

Bill Canning made a motion to close the public session of meeting @ 6:58 pm. Andrea Talamelli seconded it. Nathan Wrann made a motion to accept the minutes from the 6/5/19 meeting, Andrea Talamelli seconded it. Peter Bontempo abstained as he was not present at that meeting.

Old Business

Nathan Wrann asked about bringing manufacturer here regarding the centrifuge, which Abdul Quadir was supposed to arrange. Jack Crosby said we are not going to operate the centrifuge. Paul Butler said the building is not safe to operate. Paul Butler said he was at meeting with Mayor Rossi, Mike Last, and it was their opinion we cut our losses regarding the centrifuge and move on. Bill Canning stated we could get by with belt press. Jack Crosby said based on the flow it is not necessary to use a centrifuge. Nathan Wrann mentioned the possibility of selling the centrifuge. Jack Crosby suggested we get CDM Smith and a structural engineer to look at the building. Jack Crosby said Dave Miller, Northeast Maintenance, had mentioned to him that the maintenance associated with a centrifuge is very high. Nathan Wrann made a motion to get a Structural Engineer to come inspect building from top to bottom, and Stuart Rosenkrantz seconded it. Stuart Rosenkrantz made a motion to see how much it will cost for training, and getting someone in to look at the building, and Nathan Wrann seconded it. Bill Canning mentioned that by the October meeting we should try to have all this information.

Bill Canning asked Abdul Quadir if we got letter from Housing Authority, regarding back taxes, but we did not.

Andrea Talamelli asked if we bought a generator, and Jack Crosby said we did not, but we will. Paul Butler mentioned we could look into United Rentals and obtain a couple of prices.

Bill Canning asked Jack Crosby about the flat roof on the secondary building. Jack Crosby said we had several vendors look at it but Quality Roofing came back with a price of \$102,000 to replace. Quality Roofing is going to just repair for \$28,000. They started the work last week and on Thursday 9/5/19, they left for the day and a fire started in the ambers of the wooden joists. Fire Dept. was called here. Quality Roofing agreed to pay any overtime and materials that we have incurred as a result of this fire. Paul Butler mentioned that the plant personnel that came in with him for the fire were great, Mark Magri, Frank Aquilante, Bob Simard, Patty Dahlgard.

Nathan Wrann suggested we do a 5 year plan, wish list. Jack Crosby will put together a wish list for the next meeting packet. Abdul Quadir mentioned that Cove River and Dawson pump station are getting upgrades.

Bill Canning asked that we make a motion to reduce Charles Ferraro's sewer fees by 60%. Nathan Wrann made the motion and Stuart Rosenkrantz seconded it. All were in favor.

Bill Canning suggested we make motion to adjourn. Andrea Talamelli made the motion and Bill Canning seconded it.

Respectfully submitted.