

Minutes
Water Pollution Control Authority Meeting
Monday, March 29, 2013

The Trumbull Water Pollution Control Authority held their monthly meeting on Monday, March 29, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Long Hill Room, Town Hall, 5866 Main Street, Trumbull, Connecticut.

Members Present:

Also

Present:

Laura Pulie, Vice Chairman

Joseph

Solemene, Assistant WPCA Administrator
Ennio DeVita

Frank M.

Smeriglio, PE, Town Engineer
Timothy Hampford

Dennis

Kokenos, Esq., Town Attorney

Christine Pierce, Wright-Pierce

Archana Ladhe, Town Resident

Amar

Kabre, Town Resident

Vice Chairman Pulie called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. Pulie asked if there were any changes to the previous meeting's minutes. MOTION made Pulie seconded Hampford to accept the minutes from the March 27, 2013 meeting. No discussion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION made Pulie seconded Hampford to move up number 7 New Business item, Archana Ladhe, 25 Garnet Road: Extension of time request. No discussion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. New Business

Archana Ladhe, 25 Garnet Road: Extension of time request. Archana Ladhe and Amar Kabre, 25 Garnet Road were present. Ladhe stated they do not want to hook up their sewers right now, because the septic is in good condition. Ladhe and Kabre can supply the report for this. Solemene spoke about another home

that recently got sewers. He stated that in order to grant an extension of time, the home should be owner occupied. DeVita asked if the policy can be changed to eliminate this requirement. Solemene stated he remembers when the authority did add policies as they went along. Pulie reminded the group, the owners are paying the assessment, they just are not hooked up. Once an extension is awarded, if the house is sold, the new owners will be required to connect to the sewer system. An extension is granted once per address. Hampford tells the owners they will receive a letter after there is a discussion and a determination is made. In addition, the town will send someone out to verify their septic system is currently working. The owners remind the group of their only issue being the cost to make the connection. They currently pay to maintain and have the system pumped every year. Smeriglio reminds the owners there will always be \$27 per quarter sewer use fee. The owners are aware of this and agree to pay this quarterly fee.

MOTION made Pulie seconded DeVita to go back to item number 2, Tighe & Bond Progress Report. No discussion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Tighe & Bond Progress Report

Progress report. Fred Mascia was not present. On April 18, work on Dogwood Lane was started. Preparing the grass areas is pretty much complete. Progress will resume in regards to the sanitary punch list items. The drainage checklist items, however, have not been started. It has been indicated that this item is up to the lawyers. Attorney Kokenos said he has not heard back about this issue. Kokenos stated the town has \$1,164,000 as a retainage. The last time there was a breach in an agreement, they could fix it or use the retainage to have someone else fix the job.

Change Orders:

R164 - 4/5/2013 - Restoration work at 141 catch basins - \$101,654.00 Smeriglio recommends not to approve this, but this is what was presented. DeVita asks Kokenos. Kokenos stated this is the first he is hearing about this. There are numerous change orders to think about. If this is one to attest, they will decide to have a meeting on it. Kokenos remembered the catch basin was something that went to arbitration. DeVita stated he has a problem with it. MOTION made Hampford seconded Pulie to reject change order R164. No discussion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Invoice Approval:

Mark IV. Smeriglio stated he is in agreement with everything but one item. Under item 68, there is a miscalculation. Invoice is \$35,993.60 minus \$19,200.

MOTION made Hampford seconded DeVita to approve the Mark IV invoice in the amount of \$35,993.60, subject to removal of item 68 in the amount of \$19,200. No discussion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Guerra Construction Company. No invoice was submitted by Guerra Construction Company this month.

L.J.F. Outdoor Maintenance - Application 6-2 - \$8,531. A total of 3 areas are complete. MOTION made Pulie seconded Hampford to approve LJF invoice 6-2, in the amount of \$8,531.00. No discussion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

L.J.F. Outdoor Maintenance - Application 7-1 - \$4,945. Invoice included trees that the owner wanted pruned, a couple of lilac bushes trimmed, and a restored grass area. MOTION made Hampford seconded Pulie to approve LJF invoice 7-1, in the amount of \$4,945.00. No discussion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

L.J.F. Outdoor Maintenance - Application 8-1 - \$25,291.25. Over 100 shrubs planted. A bid was put out for this. Smeriglio has the back up for each day. Pulie asked who is watering them properly. The homeowners have been notified and Smeriglio will monitor the weather. MOTION made Pulie seconded Hampford to approve LJF invoice 8-1, in the amount of \$25,291.25. No discussion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. Wright-Pierce Update:

Phase 3. Christine Pierce spoke with Frank with regard that a lot more footage deleted will allow money to be shifted from phase 4 to phase 3, and will reduce the scope of work in phase 4. A letter has been drafted. Waiting on one more invoice from Green Mountain.

Phase 4. Pierce stated the meters in the ground will be pulled this week; however, she does not have the Purchase Order yet. She will look at the flow data and how the scope will be reduced. —

5. Billing Statements - Tighe & Bond and Wright - Pierce.

The commissioners reviewed the spreadsheets and there were no questions or comments.

6. Old Business

Up-date: Audit of the 59 and 20 accounts. Commissioners decided to pass on

item due to the absence of Chairman Egri. An update from Rita was presented. There is more work than anticipated, but she will have something soon.

Discussion: WPCA procedures and policies. Hampford stated he wants the whole Board present to discuss this item. Smeriglio asks what the goal of the policy is. Hampford stated the goal is to do in phases. Furthermore, he stated it is important to understand what we have in place so we can discuss what needs to be modified. Attorney Kokenos stated this is a good starting point. Hampford wants to know what the policies and procedures are currently. Solemene replied the policies and procedures we have, have been in place for years and have stayed in place. Solemene and Smeriglio will get a binder together of what they have, to use as a starting point. Attorney Kokenos will get the history and attachments of what has been done in the past. Solemene brought up 25 Garnet Road. Hampford said he finds it hard to believe there is a restriction in place. MOTION made Pulie seconded Hampford to approve the request of 25 Garnet Road, with a limitation of the septic being affected. Discussion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. New Business:

Owens, Schine & Nicola.

Invoice # 13208. MOTION made Pulie seconded Hampford to approve Owens, Schine & Nicola, P.C. invoice 13208, in the amount of \$2,000.00. No discussion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Invoice #13209. MOTION made Pulie seconded Hampford to approve Owens, Schine & Nicola, P.C. invoice 13209, in the amount of \$20.00. No discussion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Invoice # 13210. MOTION made Pulie seconded Hampford to approve Owens, Schine & Nicola, P.C. invoice 13210, in the amount of \$2,300.00. No discussion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Invoice # 13211. MOTION made Pulie seconded Hampford to approve Owens, Schine & Nicola, P.C. invoice 13211, in the amount of \$2,340.00. No discussion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Ury & Moskow - Invoice - \$2,299.50. MOTION made Hampford seconded DeVita to approve Ury & Moskow invoice 58048, in the amount of \$2,299.50. No discussion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Inspection Software Program. Smeriglio is working with the building department. He is looking to get a module on the system to include sewer laterals. There will be a meeting next week to go over scopes and fees. Smeriglio will get a revised

proposal. He is looking for the WPCA to assign someone to review the proposal so it can be signed off prior to next week. Pulie asks how this is different from the field laptops. Smeriglio explained there is GIS coordination for the infrastructure to keep track of the work that is done. Hampford offers to review the proposal. MOTION made Pulie seconded DeVita to authorize Timothy Hampford to approve the expenditure of \$11,660.00 once Frank M. Smeriglio reviews the contract for the new desktop license software. No discussion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. Executive Session.

MOTION made Pulie seconded Hampford to close regular meeting and go into executive session to discuss with the Town Attorney strategy and negotiations with respect to pending litigation's defined by 1-200(6) and/or to discuss attorney client-privileged information as set forth by 1-210 relating to the following:

- Mark IV - Contract 3 and Contract 4
 - Regionalization and/or Re-Negotiation of Bridgeport Sewer Treatment Contract.
- Staying for the executive session is the WPCA Commission, Christine Pierce, Joe Solemene, Frank Smeriglio and Attorney Dennis Kokenos. No discussion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

At 8:15 p.m. the Clerk left the room and the Commission went into executive session.

At 9:28 p.m. the Clerk was called back into the room.

MOTION made Pulie seconded Hampford to close executive session and state no vote was taken. No discussion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION made Pulie seconded Hampford to re-open regularly scheduled meeting at 9:28 pm. No discussion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

9. Any other business that may come before the Authority.

There being no other business before the Authority,

MOTION made Pulie seconded Hampford to adjourn the April 28, 2013 meeting of the WPCA at 9:29 pm. No discussion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted by,

Amy Lucas
Clerk