

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY  
**Town of Trumbull**  
CONNECTICUT

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5866 MAIN STREET  
TRUMBULL, CT 06611

**MINUTES**  
**DECEMBER 16, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER: The Chair called the regular meeting of the Trumbull Water Pollution Control Authority to order at 7:05 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jeffrey Wright, Chairman (arrived at 7:15 p.m.)  
Laura Pulie  
Fred Palmieri, Vice Chairman  
Timothy Hampford (Arrived  
Paul Whetstone, Alternate  
Richard Boggs, Alternate

MEMBERS ABSENT:

John Gray

ALSO PRESENT:

Frank M. Smeriglio, PE, Town Engineer/Sewer Administrator, Dennis Kokenos, Esq. Town Attorney, (Arrived at 7:10 p.m.), Christine Kurtz of Wright Pierce and Roy Molgard, BOF member.

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1. MINUTES TO PREVIOUS MEETING:

MOTION made by Palmieri, seconded by Pulie to approve the November 17, 2015 meeting minutes as submitted.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

2. OLD BUSINESS: NONE

3. NEW BUSINESS:

- Ury & Moskow monthly invoices – None
- Owens, Schine & Nicola monthly invoices – None

By unanimous consent the WPCA agreed to discuss the Mediation Services Agreement item after Atty. Kokenos arrives at this meeting.

- Five-Year Capital Plan

Mr. Smeriglio explained the operating budget is worked on as well as the 5-Year Plan every year. The 5-Year Plan is a town-wide plan that gives an outlook of what projects need to be done. The capital projects are bonded over 20 years. Included in the 2016 Capital Plan are as follows:

- Town-wide Sewer Repairs - \$100,000.  
The repairs are identified by videoing the sanitary lines prior to the paving program.
- Beardley Pump Station Flow Analysis - \$100,000.  
This item will fund identifying where the flow will go, (potentially Stratford or Bridgeport)
- Emergency Force Main Connection - \$55,000.  
There are 13 pump stations in town none are equipped with portable bypass pumps. This item would put the station back online if a pump station completely fails. This item represents two of the pump stations. This will be budgeted for 2, possibly 3 pump stations every year.
- Portable Pump with a Trailer - \$50,000.  
This would be used if there was a complete pump station failure. The commission questioned how the portable pump would be powered. Following this question a general discussion took place on how it would be powered by gas and/or diesel. The pump would only be purchased once therefore it would only need to be budgeted for one year of the 5-Year Capital Plan.
- Redesign of the Park Avenue Pump Station - \$263,000.

The total budget for the 2016 Capital Plan as presented is \$568,000. The current interest rate is 2.87%. \$48,280 would need to be added to the WPCA budget when the projects are done in 2018. Mr. Smeriglio confirmed for the commission that in the coming years the WPCA will need to redesign one or two pump stations per year. The budget numbers do not include any grant monies that might be available. The prior 5-Year Plan did not include the actual construction on the pump stations but did include the design of a pump station. The proposed work in the plan equals \$4.5 million. If they were all to be done today it would translate into \$388 of principal and interest in the WPCA budget. This will be ongoing, and is not unusual. There has been no work done to the pump stations since they were first built. The I&I repairs are not part of this plan because there are three projects that had been previously approved but have not gone to construction because grant monies were identified and those projects' plans are currently at the State for review. Mr. Smeriglio reviewed the prior years' capital plans' projected budgetary numbers with the commission. The next step is to present this plan to the BOF and Town Council, the Town Council will need to approve the plan, subsequent to that the bonding will go before both the BOF and the Town Council for approval. The Chair requested to see past plans. Mr. Smeriglio agreed. Mr. Smeriglio stated in the past there has been no I&I program, so it is true they have been more aggressive with the I & I program in the past three years. The I & I program will be an on-going program.

MOTION made by Palmieri, seconded by Pulie to ACCEPT the Five-Year Capital Plan as presented. VOTE Motion CARRIED unanimously.

(Attorney Kokenos arrived at the meeting at 7:10 p.m.)

- Mediation Services Agreement:  
MOTION made by Palmieri, seconded by Pulie to TABLE the discussion on this item until the commission enters into Executive Session and any vote necessary on this item be taken after the commission comes out of Executive Session with the provision that the delineation of said agreement be made on the record.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

4. 2016 MEETING SCHEDULE:

The commission reviewed the proposed meeting schedule. Atty. Kokenos confirmed the January 20<sup>th</sup> date would work for and if necessary the commission may need to call a special meeting between the January and February 2016 regular meetings.

MOTION made by Pulie, seconded by Palmieri to approve the WPCA meeting schedule as presented and discussed at this meeting, (Approved schedule attached).

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

By unanimous consent the commission agreed to take Election of Officers out of order and consider this item after Commissioner Hampford arrives at this meeting.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- MOTION made by Palmieri, seconded by Pulie to close the regular session and enter into Executive Session to discuss preliminary drafts and/or notes as set forth by C.G.S. 1-210 (b)(1) and/or discuss with the Town Attorney strategy and negotiations with respect to pending litigation as 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

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

The WPCA entered into Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. with WPCA members Chairman Jeffrey Wright, Vice Chairman Fred Palmieri, Laura Pulie, Richard Boggs, Alternate, Town Engineer/Sewer Administrator Frank Smeriglio, P.E., Dennis Kokenos, Esq. Town Attorney, BOF member Roy Molgard and Christine Kurtz of Wright Pierce present.

At 7:26 p.m. the tape recorder was turned off, the clerk left the room and the Commission entered into Executive Session.

At 8:30 p.m. the clerk was called back into the room and the recorder was turned on.

The Chair called for a motion to end Executive Session and noted for the record that the Secretary of the Commission Timothy Hampford had arrived at the meeting during Executive Session and was present during Executive Session.

MOTION made by Palmieri to end Executive Session at 8:31 p.m., and stated for the record that no vote was taken.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

The Chair opened the regular meeting session. At 8:32 p.m.

MOTION made by Palmieri, seconded by Hampford to approve the mediation agreement accepted as presented, including the stipulation as per page 2 of said mediation agreement a check for the amount of \$1,000 be offered to the mediator for his services.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

6. ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

MOTION made by Palmieri, seconded by Hampford to nominate Jeffery Wright as Chairman.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

MOTION made by Wright, seconded by Pulie to renominate Fred Palmieri as Vice-Chairman and Timothy Hampford as Secretary.

The Chair stated the commission has operated with a high degree of efficiency over the past two years and is confident that the commission will move forward in the next two years and will achieve positive results and real change.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

7. Any other business that may come before the Authority – None

There being no further business to discuss the Trumbull Water Pollution Control Authority adjourned by unanimous consent at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Margaret Mastroni, Clerk

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## 2016 MEETING SCHEDULE

**4<sup>th</sup> WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH 7:00 P.M. (UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)**

January 20 ( <b>THIRD WEDNESDAY</b> )	LONG HILL ROOM
FEBRUARY 24	LONG HILL ROOM
MARCH 23	LONG HILL ROOM
APRIL 27	LONG HILL ROOM
MAY 25	LONG HILL ROOM
JUNE 22	LONG HILL ROOM
JULY 27	LONG HILL ROOM

### NO AUGUST MEETING

SEPTEMBER 28	LONG HILL ROOM
OCTOBER 19 ( <b>THIRD WEDNESDAY</b> )	LONG HILL ROOM
NOVEMBER 16 ( <b>THIRD WEDNESDAY</b> )	LONG HILL ROOM
DECEMBER 14 ( <b>SECOND WEDNESDAY</b> )	LONG HILL ROOM
JANUARY 25, 2017	LONG HILL ROOM