

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
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SEPTEMBER 22, 2021
MINUTES

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Roll Call: The clerk called the roll and recorded it as follows:

Present: Chairman Richard Boggs, Vice Chairman Jonathan Greene, Frank Regnery, Andrew Palo, Thomas Kelly

Absent: Scott Thornton

Also

Present: William Maurer, Town Engineer/WPCA Sewer Administrator, Town Attorney James Nugent, Christine Kurtz of Wright Pierce and Vanessa McPhearson of Arcadis.

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Palo, seconded by Regnery to approve the July 14, 2021 meeting minutes as submitted. VOTE: Motion CARRIED by unanimous consent.

New Business:

- 1545 Old Town Road Sewer Connection – Mr. Maurer explained this is a new single-family 3 bedroom home in Bridgeport and wants to connect to the Trumbull main in front of the property. Mr. Maurer shared his screen the plan included in the agenda packet. They were required to get permission from the Bridgeport WPCA and were granted permission. There is a letter included in the agenda back-up granting permission. Mr. Maurer wasn't sure if the other houses on the street are connected. He would assume there are other houses connected to the Trumbull line, it is not unusual and has no concerns from a capacity standpoint. Mr. Maurer noted they are putting in a pump station to pump up to Old Town Road, and will put in a sanitary manhole where gravity goes to the line. This is down gradient from the main. Trumbull is the only sewer pipe in the area that he is aware of. Both sides of the road are in Bridgeport, this is where the stop sign for Oakview, when you take a right at the stop sign it is still Old Town Road, if you keep going it becomes Chopsy Hill Road. There will be a \$2,500 developer installed unit charge because this is outside the assessment period. Mr. Maurer confirmed the section of

the road near the school is half in Bridgeport and half in Trumbull, the sewer line in that area is Trumbull's. Some of the Bridgeport homes are connected to that line. There is no other line available for these people to connect to, there may be another for other sections of Old Town Road but not for these people.

The Chair noted if there are capacity concerns this seems fairly straight forward.

Moved by Regnery, seconded by Greene to approve the sewer connection at 1545 Old Town Road subject to a \$2,500 developer installed unit fee. VOTE: Motion CARRIED by unanimous consent.

- *Kovacs Construction Corporation Change-Order #4* – Mr. Maurer explained this represents the additional charges for the test pits at Beardsley Park, the replacement of the guardrail in Beardsley Park, the work on Stelsham and the fence. This is a good price for the extra work, if we had to do this independent of the pump station upgrade it would cost more. Commissioner Regnery agreed. This does not close-out the contract but is close. There may be a couple of minor change orders coming. Ms. McPhearson added the retainage is still being held, there is a payment requisition from Kovacs that has this balancing change-order and any remaining items they foresee on the project. Kovacs hasn't requested to release the retainage as of yet. The project is substantially complete and has been operational.

Moved by Regnery, seconded by Kelly to approve the Kovacs change-order #4 in the amount of \$32,538.27. VOTE: Motion CARRIED by unanimous consent

Old Business:

- *48 Monroe Turnpike Connection Fee (Continued from July 14, 2021)*
(Continued to the next meeting)
- *7182-7192 Main Street Sewer Connection (Continued from July 14, 2021)*
(Continued to the next meeting)
- *Old Town and Reservoir Avenue Pump Stations Update* – Mr. Maurer explained they are getting ready to replace the main in Reservoir Avenue, but are having trouble getting 10" pipe. They have submitted a bypass plan and have numerous submittals approved and are moving forward. The first step is replacing the main. The precast stations are ordered. Ms. McPhearson added they are also waiting for final approval from DOT on the encroachment permit. It will be race to see which comes in first the approval or the pipe. The pipe is on order and is being fabricated. There is not an update on the delivery in time for this meeting, but hopes to be able to get that information to the commission though Mr. Maurer later this week or early next week. Mr. Maurer indicated 6", 10' and 12" pipe is very short in supply and expensive at this time.
- *Beardsley Force Main Update* – Mr. Maurer explained they are meeting with DEEP to go over what they need to do for the requirements for an easement through

Beardsley Park and are putting together a meeting with Bridgeport personnel to see what we need to do there. Ms. McPhearson noted the plans are 50% complete to get through the permitting, as long as the alignment gets approved and the easement goes through they just need to add some details and flush out the technical specification and they will then be ready to go out to bid. We need the state to approve a temporary construction easement and a permanent easement to proceed with the replacement work. They are emphasizing the criticality of that infrastructure and the urgency of addressing it. They are just initiating this because they need the plans to show the where the pipe would be located. The first meeting to go through it with them is tomorrow. Mr. Maurer indicated they do not need to hold public hearings. They will have a better idea of the timeline after tomorrow's meeting.

- Alternate Flow – Attorney Nugent explained it is not automatically necessary to go into executive session, it would depend on what is to be discussed. He has filed an FOI complaint. The state has had it for 2-3 months and there has been no activity, nothing scheduled, generally you get someone from the office to mediate the issue before a hearing and he has not heard from anyone to that regard either. It's moving very slowly in terms of getting the document. If there is something of substance the commission wants to discuss they should go into executive session.

Ms. Kurtz explained she had reached out to CT DEEP with regards to the comments sent in for the EIE, there has been no status change. They have either not made a determination, or decided on how they are going to handle it yet. Ms. Kurtz confirmed Bridgeport does have a fairly aggressive schedule, they are likely working on design soon.

The Chair stated it did make sense to go into executive session.

Moved by Palo, seconded by Regnery to Enter into Executive Session based on CGS 1-210b-7 to present engineering or feasibility estimates relative to the public supply construction costs. VOTE: Motion CARRIED by unanimous consent. The Water Pollution Control Authority entered into Executive Session at 7:28 p.n. with the following people present:

WPCA Commissioners Chairman Richard Boggs, Vice Chairman Jonathan Greene, Frank Regnery, Andrew Palo, Thomas Kelly, William Maurer Town Engineer/Sewer Administrator, Town Attorney James Nugent, Kristine Kurtz of Wright Pierce.

Moved by Boggs, seconded by Regnery to end Executive Session.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED by unanimous consent. The WPCA ended Executive Session at 8:09 p.m.

Adjournment: There being no further business to discuss and upon motion made by Palo, seconded by Kelly the Water Pollution Control Authority adjourned by unanimous consent at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret D. Mastroni
WPCA Clerk