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WPCA
January 25, 2022
6:30 P.M.
Police Station Meeting Room
Stonington, CT
Meeting Minutes

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by acting Chairman, Chuck Sheehan.

   **Members Present:** James Petrosky, Charles Sheehan, Lynn Young, and James Falconieri
   **Staff:** Douglas Nettleton, Director

2. **Contract Operations**
   A) Director Nettleton went over two letters from Mike Spring who was unable to attend the meeting. One letter was on the recent fecal violations at the Borough Facility. Mr. Spring believes that these violations were the result of lab errors with the contract laboratory. As a follow up, dual samples would be sent out to a different lab as well as the current lab to compare results. He reported that the Borough plant was operating very well and there were no apparent reasons that we should not be in full compliance. In his other letter, Mr. Spring discussed the results of a microscopic exam done at the Mystic Facility to identify the current bacteria in the system and the changes to the process that have been undertaken to improve settling since attaining the results of this exam. Mr. Spring also wrote about looking into the changes that would allow the Mystic Facility to bypass the holding tank and waste sludge directly back to the primary tanks. It is thought that conditions in the holding tank were leading to the process problems. These changes, if undertaken, would result in the ability to isolate and drain the holding tank allowing for repairs and or improvements to the mixing capability in the tank.
   B) Discussion of new position added to the contract with Suez – This new position would be focused on better FOG control (grease trap inspections), CBYD responses, and inspection duties. This item was tabled until February.
   C) Discussion and review of the Mystic flow information received since the discovery and repair of the leak in old Mystic. Monthly average flows are down considerably. As such, a motion was made by James Petrosky to allow another .040 MGD, or 40,000 gallons per day of new flows into the Mystic sewer system. Second by Lynn Young. Motion passed 4-0
3. Public Comments - none

4. Budget Status – The updated financials for the operating budget were reviewed.

5. Bills – none requiring Board approval.

   
   A) CDM Smith, Engineering to provide specifications and bid documents for lining the main sewer interceptor on RT 27, Greenmanville Road. Fee: $79,000 includes Field Investigations, Final Design Services and Bidding Services. Motion: The Board voted to approve Task 1, $23,400 only at this time. Request that CDM to adjust the contract to study the alternate use of grouting instead of lining in certain areas of the pipe run to attempt to lower the cost of the overall project. Motion by James Petrosky Second by Lynn Young. Passed 4-0.

   B) Wright Pierce – Plant Water Systems upgrades for each of the three facilities. Design and Bid proposal of $94,600. Does not include construction services. Estimated cost of construction is $900,000. Motion by James Petrosky to approve services with a second by Lynn Young. Motion passed 4-0

   C) Wright Pierce – River Road Pump Station upgrades. Preliminary Design work only. Cost $19,300. Project involves adding a third pump at the station. Motion by Lynn young to approve with a second by James Falconieri. Motion passes 4-0.


8. Minutes – The meeting minutes for October and November, 2021 were not included in the Board members packets and therefore couldn’t be approved. There was no December meeting.

9. Adjournment – Being no other business, Chuck Sheehan adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Douglas Nettleton, Director