WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
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WPCA
March 22, 2022
6:30 P.M.
Police Station Meeting Room
Stonington, CT
Meeting Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by acting Chairman, Chuck Sheehan.

   Members Present: James Petrosky, Charles Sheehan, Lynn Young, and James Falconieri
   Staff – Douglas Nettleton, Director, Mike Spring, Project Manager for Suez

2. Contract Operations-

   A) Suez – Discussion/Monthly Report – January, February 2022 – Summary of the contract operations was given by Mike Spring. Discussion ensued regarding the holding tank in Mystic, the Aurora RAS pumps that need to be replaced but are no longer made. Discussion on the generator transfer switch in Mystic and the very high estimate we received to replace the controller which is only seven years old and no longer supported by the manufacturer, Eaton.

   B) Discussion of a new position either under Suez or as a Town employee. It was generally thought this might be an opportunity to provide an assistant to the director. The current Director was asked to begin a basic job description for this position.

3. Public Comments – no comments

4. Budget Status 2021-2022

   A) The updated financials for the operating budget were reviewed. Director pointed out that the MRRA budget line item has already been exceeded and we have six months to go before the end of the year. Discussion turned to the potential need for another rate increase due to the inflated cost of everything from power to parts.

5. Bills – none requiring Board approval.

A) CDM Smith, contract to provide information related to the potential lining or grouting of Rt 27 to reduce I&I in that run of pipe.

B) Wright Pierce – Plant water systems for all three facilities – Fee: $94,600 Design and bid. Does not include construction services. The estimated cost of the project is $900,000.

C) Wright Pierce – River Road Pump Station Improvements – Fee: $19,300 Preliminary design work only.

7. Directors Report – Director reported that the renewal application for the Mystic Treatment Facility had been submitted.

8. Chairman’s Report – No report as Rich Cody not present. Discussion regarding the retirement of Director Nettleton who is schedule to retire on May 13, 2022. Discussion regarding the procedure and the methods that will be used to fill this position and the speed at which this can all be accomplished.

9. Minutes – The meeting minutes for October and November, 2021, and January minutes for 2022 were reviewed. Motion to approve by Lynn Young with a second by James Falconieri. Motion passed 4-0

10. Adjournment – Being no other business, Chuck Sheehan adjourned the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Douglas Nettleton, Director