

## WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY TOWN OF STONINGTON

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WPCA Special Meeting – Virtual Meeting September 8, 2020 Meeting Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Rich Cody, Chairperson.

Members Present: Lynn Young, Rich Cody, Peter Balestracci, James Petrosky and

Chuck Sheehan

Staff present: Douglas Nettleton, Director

Also present for the meeting were Michael Spring and Jon Mongie from Suez and Walker Adams from Safety Valve

- 2. Contract Operations Discussion July monthly report and the ongoing conditions at the Borough Facility. We had some technical issues with Mike Springs connection which causes some breaks in the conversation. The Borough has had some operation issues which they have been attempting to work through. Mr. Spring feels that the facility is moving towards recovery. Operators have been in communication with DEEP on the issues. Chuck Sheehan requested that in the future, it should be clearly stated in the monthly report any violations that may have occurred at any of the three facilities, the cause for any such violation, the steps being taken to return the facility back to full compliance, and the status of communications with DEEP.
- 3. Public Comments -- None
- 4. Decisions further discussion with Walker Adams from Safety Valve Protection Plan. This is an optional program for residential customers of the Stonington WPCA for coverage on their lateral sewer line and the actual connection to the stub which would be their responsibility to fix if a problem were to arise. The WPCA is responsible for the main line and the stub only. Knowing that these repairs can be expensive and often unexpected, the WPCA feels this optional program should be offered to it's residential customers. This item had been tabled from the last meeting to give the Board a chance to review. Some suggestions had been made and some changes to the language of the contract to the satisfaction of the Board. After discussion motion was made by James Petrosky "that the Board move forward with this program with the intent that the Director contact other communities having similar programs to see if there have

been any issues, and that the Board will have an opportunity for a final review of the endorsement letter and other contract documents before the program is released to the public through direct mailing".

Second by Lynn Young. Vote 5-0 motion passed.

- 5. Budget Status Changes to the proposed budget were presented which included a transfer of funds from the Sewer Development and Maintenance to the operating budget in the amount of \$254,000. Lynn Young made the motion to pass the budget with the changes as proposed. Second by Pete Balastracci. Motion passed 5-0.
- 6. Bills The Director brought to the attention of the Board that an old invoice for parts required for the UV systems, had been purchased at a cost of approximately \$39,000, but had never billed to the WPCA by Suc. The Director wanted the Board members to be aware of this before moving forward and processing that invoice.
- 7. Directors Report Director gave on updated status on projects currently underway and planned for the near future.
- 8. Chairman's Report none
- 9. Minutes Approval from the meeting heat on July 28, 2020 Lynn Young made the motion with a second by Pete Balestrace. Vote passed 4-0-1. Chuck Sheehan had to leave before this motion and was not present at the last meeting.

10. Adjournment - Meeting was adjourned a 1:05 p.m.

Donglas Nettleton, Director

Respectfully submitted