



**WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY**  
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Stonington Police Station– Community Meeting Room  
June 25, 2019  
Meeting Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER – 6:30 p.m. In attendance were Board Members Peter Balestracci, Deb Downie, James Petrosky, Lynn Young, and Douglas Nettleton, Director

2. CONTRACT OPERATIONS

Monthly Reports – Glen Tatro presented his report for May, 2019. All facilities were in compliance for the month however the Mystic Facility had an average daily flow of .840. The hydraulic permit level for the Mystic facility is .800. He also reported that the Mystic Facility had reached the 90% of flow again for a rolling six-month period. Within the wording of the Mystic discharge permit, this event automatically requires the WPCA to submit a plan to DEEP regarding how the community will deal with the additional flows. The WPCA has already completed the required study and it is been submitted to the DEEP. Discussion continued regarding the need for many critical repairs at the facilities and pump stations. Mr. Tatro had attempted to put them in order of priority with an estimated cost of over 1.8 million.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Steve Plant again inquired whether or not the Board has had time to review the MOU with Aquaculture. Rich Cody was not present for this meeting, but the Board responded that an answer will be forth coming. Mark Spruance, representing the Whalers Inn presented their case for modifications within their building to add seating in the existing building. After review and discussion by the Board it was agreed that due to the use of conference space for this project there would be no increase in water use and therefore the Board agreed to the project as presented.

3. BILLS

Suez Annual Contract (monthly) \$189,487.53 plus MRRA invoices from April and May. The Director explain to the Board that the MRRA account is being hit very hard with all the repairs of older existing equipment within the three facilities and the 17 pumping stations. Where it is justified, large ticket items are being paid for out of the remaining bond funds until such time that account is depleted. After which large repairs and replacement costs will have to come from the Sewer Development account. The

Board would prefer to bond between 2-2.5 million to be used to for major repairs and replacements done under one contract.

4. BUDGET STATUS 2018-2019 – The Board reviewed the status of accounts 222 and 501. The 501 account is at its lowest level since 2015/16 and it was agreed that a rate increase will be needed to ensure this account remains healthy and operating funds don't have to be drawn from the Sewer Development account.
5. DIRECTOR'S REPORT
  - A. Discussion continued on the issue of illegally connected submersible pumps to the sewer system which are considered a real and immediate threat to the future capacity of the Mystic Facility. The Board discussed possible action on this issue prior to the start of any Inflow and Infiltration study.
  - B. The Board voted 4-0 to empower the Director to enter into contract with Wright Pierce to move forward on the development of the plans and Specifications for improvements to the diversion system from Mystic to the Borough Facility. Motion by James Petrosky and second by Lynn Young,
6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – None
7. MINUTES: The May meeting minutes were approved. 3-0-1 Motion by James Petrosky with a second by Peter Balestracci. Lynn Young abstained since she was not in attendance for the May meeting.
8. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Douglas Nettleton, Director