



**WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
TOWN OF STONINGTON**

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WPCA Special Meeting – Virtual Meeting
July 28, 2020
Meeting Minutes

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order at 11:06 p.m. by Pete Balestracci Chairperson.

Members Present: Lynn Young, Rich Cody late arrival, Peter Balestracci, James Petrosky.

Staff present: Douglas Nettleton, Director

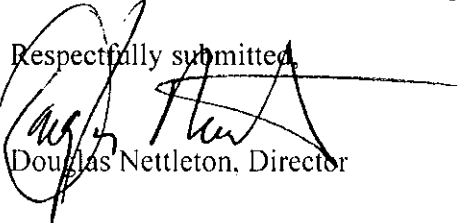
Also present for the meeting were Michael Spring and Jon Mongie from Suez and Walker Adams from Safety Valve.

2. Motion to adjust the agenda to allow for a quorum for items requiring a vote. Lynn Young made the motion with a second by James Petrosky. Vote was 3-0 motion passed.
3. Discussion on the 2020/21 operating budget. Lynn Young opened the discussion with concerns for an operating budget that has a loss for the year. Given that the reserves in the operating budget have dipped to \$114,369.89, and the budget presented shows a loss of \$232,917, a potential loss of revenues due to closures during the pandemic, Lynn Young felt that the WPCA Board has no alternative but to consider a rate hike. There was agreement by the rest of the Board that the approval of the budget should be tabled until August asking the Director to research how much of an increase is needed. Motion to table the discussion was introduced by Lynn Young with a second by James Petrosky. Vote passed 3-0.
4. Contract Operations – Jon Mongie introduced himself as the new regional manager and introduced Mike Spring who will succeed Glen Tatro as the Project manager. Glen Tatro did not attend the meeting. Discussion pertaining to the violations that have occurred at the Borough Facility. Suez had called in additional support to attempt to get the Borough process back to where these enterococci violations would stop. Jon Mongie says that conditions have improved and the numbers are back in compliance.
5. Public Comments – Walker Adams presented the advantages to the Board to endorse the product Safety Valve which is an insurance for the homeowner to cover repairs that may be required to the homeowner's lateral. He was requesting that the Board endorse this product. The Board members requested additional information in the form of

contracts with other communities and more information of the details of the agreements with the homeowners.

6. Bills – Monthly service contract invoice in the amount of \$208,541.75. MRRA invoices for \$1,358.58 and \$49,212.19.
7. Directors Report – Updates to the Board on Projects on-going.
8. Approvals from meeting of June 12th, 2020 – 2 members of the Board had to leave before the end of the meeting so no quorum
9. **ADJOURNMENT** – the meeting was adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglas Nettleton, Director