

**WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
TOWN OF STONINGTON**

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WPCA

April 25, 2023

6:30 P.M.

Police Station Meeting Room

Stonington, CT

Regular Meeting Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Rich Cody.
Members Present: Lynn Young, James Petrosky, Charles Sheehan, and James Falconieri
Staff: Daniel Smith, Director and Ryan McCammon, Assistant Director
2. **Contract Operations:** Veolia – Discussion/Monthly Report – Veolia project manager Rodrick Ventura and Veolia Area Manager Pete Vetter gave a summary of March 2023 operating reports and contract operations. All 3 facilities continue to be in compliance. Diversion pump is going back to Hayes pump after finding an issue on the impeller. Should be reinstalled in the coming weeks.
Pete presented a proposal for installing, on a trial basis, surface mixers in the aeration tanks at the Borough WPCF. These mixers will help mixing in the aeration tanks, especially during the blower off cycle. This continual mixing will improve the nitrogen removal. Total cost for trial will be \$13,200.00
Mr. Petrosky made a motion to approve the trial purchase, seconded by Ms. Young. Motion passed 5-0
Pete discussed the staffing levels and plan moving forward, including which operators will be testing soon. Jason O'Brien, Veolia Vice President of Northeast Operations, was also in attendance. Jason spoke about Veolia's intern training program and how that will help with the operator shortage. Jason also discussed the staffing plan and thanked the Board for their patience in allowing the plan to come together.
3. **Public Comments:** No public comments
4. **Budget Status:** 2022-2023 budget was discussed; the Director advised the Board on the statuses of the UV parts line item and that any additional expenses will be paid out of the manholes set to grade line item.
5. **Bills:** No bills to discuss
6. **Projects:**
 - A. CDM Smith: Mr. Sheehan updated the Board on the progress with CDM and the tone of an email sent to CDM following their latest 'Submittal' in regards to the I&I phase II report.

- B. NWMCC Lining Project: No start date has been provided as of yet. They have until May 31st to complete the lining.

7. Director's Report:

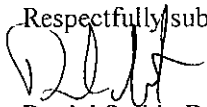
- A. Mag Drum Repair: The Director shared a quote from Evoqua for \$77,965.46 for the repair of the magnetite drum at the Mystic WPCF. This is a sole source item and is needed for the magnetite recovery process. Motion made by Ms. Young to approve the repair, seconded by Mr. Petrosky. Motion passed 5-0
- B. FOG Software: Stonington WPCA and Veolia New London cannot split the FOG software, as presented and approved at last month's meeting, because of licensing and other issues. The Director requests the Stonington WPCA move forward solely with the purchase of FOG management software through Aquatic Informatics. This software will allow the WPCA to record and track FOG inspections, set scheduling for follow-up inspections and much more. Mr. Petrosky made a motion to purchase, on our own, the FOG software. Mr. Falconieri seconded; motion passed 5-0.

8. Chairman's Report: Nothing to report

9. **Minutes:** The meeting minutes for March, 2023 were reviewed. Motion to approve by Mr. Falconieri, seconded by Mr. Petrosky. Motion passed 3-0-2. Mr. Sheehan and Ms. Young both abstained as they were not in attendance.

10. Adjournment: Being no other business, Mr. Cody adjourned the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Daniel Smith, Director