



TOWN OF VERNON WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY Wastewater Treatment Plant February 22, 2018

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Attendees:

Chairman E. Ray Weaver, John Anderson, Elizabeth Landry and Andrew Tedford. Also present Robert I. Grasis, Director, Water Pollution Control; Steve Boske, Assistant Director, Water Pollution Control; Matt Daskal, Financial Analyst, Water Pollution Control; Stephen Seigal, Vice President, Tighe & Bond; and Timothy Webb, Ellington WPCA

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Grasis asked to add an item regarding the testimony and support of House Bill 5130.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

MINUTES OF THE WPCA REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 25, 2018

Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Tedford made a motion that the Water Pollution Control Authority accepts the minutes of the January 25, 2018 Regular Meeting as presented. There was no discussion and the motion passed 3-0-1 with Mrs. Landry abstaining.

UPDATE ON TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE

Mr. Seigal presented a project schedule regarding the design improvements for the treatment facility upgrade. He said that during the past month, Tighe & Bond has been working to advance the design for all technical disciplines with a focus on preparing the preliminary design report and getting it to Tighe & Bond's sub-consultant cost estimator. Next week, the draft of the preliminary design report will be sent to the WPCA and DEEP as well he said. Mr. Seigal updated the Authority regarding the IFAS and Disk Filter bids and said that the recommended vendor wanted clarification on some items in the bid documents. He explained the purpose and duties of the Vendor Evaluation team.

PLANT SUMMARY

Mr. Boske reported that the plant is running well and said the water quality is better than it was last year at this time. Also, he said that septage is up and nitrogen was lower than it was last January. Mr. Boske updated the Authority regarding various issues at the primary, secondary and tertiary level processes at the treatment facility and said that he will provide this report at each meeting. Regarding current activities, Mr. Grasis said that bids for sludge disposal and a new generator at the Talcottville pump station will be advertised next month. Also, the new Collection System utility truck will be ordered next month. Regarding the Business Office, Mr. Daskal reported that work is progressing relative to delinquent accounts; twenty five accounts have been slated for tax sale for a collection total of approximately \$168,000.

ESTABLISH A DATE FOR A SPECIAL WPCA MEETING TO REVIEW PROPOSED BUDGETS FOR THE SEWER AUTHORITY, HOUSING AUTHORITY AND THE WASTE TREATMENT PLANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018 – 2019

It was the consensus of the Authority to schedule a meeting on Monday, March 5, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. to review and approve the proposed budgets for Fiscal Year 2018 – 2019.

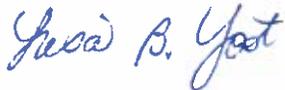
ANY ADDITIONAL MATTERS

Chairman Weaver presented a letter of testimony for approval by the WPCA regarding House Bill 5130. He explained that a public hearing will take place tomorrow, in front of the Environment Committee at the state legislature. This bill would enable the DEEP to require continuing education CEU's on an annual basis to maintain a Wastewater Operator's license, he said. Chairman Weaver said that this testimony will also be presented by the CWPAA and CAWPCA. He said that although the town will incur some cost, this bill will promote training and education for operators. A discussion took place. It was the consensus of the Authority to endorse the testimony in support of the bill.

ADJOURN

Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Tedford, made a motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously (4-0-0) and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa B. Yost, Secretary
Water Pollution Control