



# Water Pollution Control Authority

REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 19, 2019

## MINUTES

**Members Present:** D. Parisi-Chmn, E. Duell, J. Galeota, P. Gilbert, S. Koehler

**Others Present:** T. Webb-WPCA Admin., M. Gaston-Fuss & O'Neill, Selectman D. Stavens, R. Grasis-Vernon WPCA, R. Hartenstein-Stafford WPCA, G. Oliver-Skips Wastewater, P.Korbusieski and Ms. Gottier-139 Ellington Avenue.

### 1. Call to Order

Chairman Dan Parisi called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

### 2. Citizen's Forum/Public Comments

Peter Korbusieski and Lisa Gottier of 139 Ellington Ave expressed their concern with the proposed sewer extension coming by their property. They stated they do not want it, didn't feel they needed it and could not afford it. Mr. Webb, WPCA Administrator, explained that they are in the sewer service district and that a caveat will be placed on their property. They do not have to pay the assessment until they connect to the system and at that time can choose to pay over a set amount of years at a very low interest rate. He promised to mail a copy of a sample caveat to them. There will be another informational meeting next month on July 17, 2019 at the Town Hall Annex.

### 3. Approval of Minutes of May 15, 2019 Meeting

**MOVED (KOEHLER) SECONDED (GILBERT) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 15, 2019 MEETING WITH CORRECTION TO LAST PARAGRAPH, SECTION #2. Mr. Koehler asked.....Mr. Gilbert also agreed.....**

### 4. New Business:

1. 151 Ellington Avenue

This property has a failing septic system and Skips Wastewater is asking to repair/replace a portion of the system. They need approval from the WPCA to do that because this property is in the sewer service area. Mr. Webb stated that he has not seen a report from North Central Health on this property. Mr. Webb will contact Wes at NCHD to request a copy of it. The WPCA will review this request at its July meeting after it receives the report.

2. Fuss & O'Neill, Project Updates & Proposals

**MOVED (KOEHLER) SECONDED (DUELL) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF THE FUSS & O'NEILL INVOICES TOTALING \$29,479.**

Mr. Gaston stated that last month they checked with DEEP on the status of the I&I submission as well as the 420 Somers Rd request to be included in the sewer service area and have received no response. They are holding back on the Main St and northern piece to be added until they hear back from DEEP on these two items. The schedule for the pump station investigation is August. They are working on the proposal to set the town-wide flow allocation. They will continue to follow up with DEEP. Mr. Webb stated that regarding the Main Street sidewalk project, the State is requiring an archeological study be done first. This may delay the project.

3. Refund 7 Nutmeg Drive B11 \$80 Overpayment

This refund is being requested by the Tax Collector.

**MOVED (DUELL) SECONDED (KOEHLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE REFUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$80 FOR 7 NUTMEG DRIVE B11 AS REQUESTED.**

**5. Administrative:**

Design, Construction & Maintenance Reports

i. Pump Station & Meter Updates

Mr. Webb stated that there have not been any major problems. There was a clogged valve chamber at the Route 140 station that was taken care of. The new line on Mountain St was camerad. The flushing of lines has begun as well as grinder pump inspections.

ii. Other

Mr. Grasis, Vernon WPCA told the commission that the bid for the plant upgrade came in lower than expected and they received the Notice of Award from DEEP. DEEP allocated the clean water fund monies to the project which took all that was in the fund. The next legislative session will have to reallocate funds back into this for other towns to access. Methuen Construction signed a contract on June 10, 2019. The Town of Vernon reached their goal to qualify for 50% federal funding for the phosphorus.

**6. Misc. Communications**

Ed Duell submitted his letter of resignation from the WPCA effective immediately. The members were sorry to see him leave and wished him well.

**7. Adjournment**

**MOVED (DUELL) SECONDED (GILBERT) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:55 PM.**

Respectfully submitted:



Lori Smith, Recording Clerk