

City of Derby
Water Pollution Control Authority

March 20, 2019

Regular Meeting Minutes

Jack Walsh, Chairman
Robert Miani
Rose Marie Pertoso
Kelly Curtis

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.

Roll Call: Present – Jack Walsh, Kelly Curtis, Rose Marie Pertoso, James DiMeo.

Public Portion

Brian Cirillo, 4 Sagamore Drive, Seymour stated that he owns property at 20 South Division Street, Derby. He stated that the property sustained damage after construction of the new pump house. He is holding the WPCA accountable for the damage to his property. He stated that the elevation of the property has dropped and he has suffered the loss of rental income. He is asking for compensation or remediation of the damages.

A motion to close the public portion was made by R. Pertoso, seconded by K. Curtis and carried unanimously.

Brothers 4 Carwash.

J. Walsh stated that he did some research on car washes. Ed. Abbels stated that he went to the site and took pictures. He stated that there is runoff that is not going back into the system. Everything goes into the separator. He would recommend a 5% to 10% reduction. J. DiMeo stated that he also did some research and that reductions have been given in the past. He felt that the request for a 23% reduction did not seem unreasonable. R. DiMeo moved to approve a 23% reduction in the sewer use fee; but no reduction to the capital fee. The motion was seconded by K. Curtis and carried unanimously. Ed. Abbels stated that he disagreed with the 23% reduction. He also stated that they were supposed to get the separator cleaned out. He felt that 23% was a little high. J. DiMeo stated that he agreed that they should clean it out more often. K. Curtis asked if there is a standard for cleaning. J. DiMeo stated that it is not just grit but oil. The representative from Brothers 4 stated that the oil separator are large enough and no oil goes into the sewer system. Ed Abbels stated that he would like to go out and meet with someone to look at it. R. DiMeo then rescinded his motion and K. Curtis rescinded his second. K. Curtis moved to table this matter for further investigation. The motion was seconded by R. Pertoso and carried unanimously.

Infiltration/Inflow Rehab. Project

R.Tedeschi stated that the Phase 1 work is being done and drawings approved. He started that they are ready to do the lining work. He stated that Phase II of the project involves replacing several sections of sewer and they are ready to go out to bind on that. J. Walsh asked how many miles of pipe. R. Tedeschi stated that the lining is around 2,000 feet and they will be replacing a little over 1,000 feet.

Engineers Report – project Updates.

R.Tedeschi stated that with the Route 34 project the buildings are coming down. He stated that he spoke with DeCarlo & Doll about submitting design drawings to the DOT. He stated that they are targeting spring construction. There will be a 24" gravity sewer that will start at the Plant and go forward. He stated that the annual report needs to be submitted by July 1st.

DEEP Compliance Orders

R.Tedeschi stated that Roosevelt Drive is still ongoing and they are building the retaining wall. The site may be ready in May. He stated that the administrative order from DEEP was that the engineer's report was to be submitted by 6/16/19. He met with DEP and will need to request an extension. He prepared a letter and will update the facility plan and submit it to DEEP. E. Abbels stated that the orders from DEP are to demolish the plan and do upgrades on the pump station. He stated that the plant could be abandoned and use Ansonia or a full plant upgrade. J. Walsh stated that this letter needs to come from the Mayor. K. Curtis moved to forward the letter to the Mayor to be sent to DEEP. The motion was seconded by R. Pertoso and carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes February 20, 2019.

K. Curtis moved to approve the minutes from the 2/20/19 meeting. The motion was seconded by R. DiMeo and carried 3-0-1 with R. Pertoso abstaining.

Approval of Bills for February 22 – March 15, 2019 & bills over \$5,000.00.

K. Curtis moved to approve the payment of bills dated 2/22/19 in the amount of \$43,892.62. The motion was seconded by R. DiMeo and carried unanimously.

R. DiMeo moved to approve the payment of bills dated 3/1/19 in the amount of \$26,634.62. The motion was seconded by R. Pertoso and carried unanimously.

R. Pertoso moved to approve the payment of bills dated 3/8/19 in the amount of \$52,110.52. The motion was seconded by K. Curtis and carried unanimously.

J. DiMeo moved to approve the payment of bills dated 3/15/19 in the amount of \$4,216.59. The motion was seconded by R. Pertoso and carried unanimously.

R. Pertoso moved to approve the payment of bill dated 11/26/18 from Young Developers in the amount of \$12,974.10. The motion was seconded by J. DiMeo and carried unanimously.

Transfer February Capital Fee money collected from WPCA account into WPCA CF account.

J. DiMeo moved to approve the transfer of \$53,888.11 from the WPCA account into WPCA CF account. The motion was seconded by K. Curtis and carried unanimously.

Approval of Bond Bills.

K. Curtis moved to approve the payment to Weston & Sampson in the amount of \$10,000.00. The motion was seconded by R. Pertoso and carried unanimously.

K. Curtis moved to approve the payment to Holzner Electric Construction in the amount of \$332,843.52. The motion was seconded by J. DiMeo and carried unanimously.

Finance Reports

The finance reports were reviewed by the Board. A motion to accept with reservation on the format of the report was made by J. DiMeo, seconded by R. Pertoso and carried unanimously.

Set dated for April budget workshops.

The Board reviewed the dates and work shops will be scheduled for April 10, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.; April 24, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. and the public hearing will be moved to May 22, 2019.

Superintendent Report

E. Abbels presented his report and stated that there are no issues with the collection system. He stated that he has put in a proposal for a fork lift for the plant and also for a skid steer. The fork lift would be \$20,000. To \$30,000. And the skid steer \$36,000. To \$100,000. He stated that these are needed for safety purposes. J. Walsh stated that he should check with the bidding process and also check with the State bid list. E. Abbels stated that these would be used for many different reasons. K. Curtis suggested looking into a lease to purchase. E. Abbels stated that there are a lot of issues at the Plant and this will make it easier to handle. It would be in the best interest to have a skid steer. He also stated that there are staffing concerns at the plant. He stated that the new staffing requirements are for 14 ½ positions. J. Walsh stated that this should be addressed in next year's budget and job descriptions are need to be prepared. E. Abbels stated that the State wants a full upgrade and the

City needs to figure out what we need. He stated that this needs to be submitted to the State. He will also see if there are any grants available.

J. Walsh stated that regarding Brian Cirillo's issues he does not see anything that could be done for him.

Transfers

K. Curtis moved to transfer \$1,115.00 from plant maintenance to plant instruction. The motion was seconded by R. Pertoso and carried unanimously.

R. Pertoso moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by K. Curtis and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Maryanne DeTullio

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