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CITY OF NORWALK
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY VIA ZOOM VIRTUAL VIDEOCONFERENCE AND TELECONFERENCE
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 15, 2024

Attendance: Darren Oustafine, Chairman
John Igneri, Vice Chairman
Chris Mannella
John Bove
James Frayer
Barbara Smyth

Staff: Vanessa Valadares, Chief of Operations and Public Works
Nelya Bauer, Wastewater Systems Manager
Chris Torre, Superintendent of Operations, DPW

Others: Ross Gambino, Asst. Project Manager, Veolia, Inc.
David Conners, Regional Manager, Veolia, Inc.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Oustafine called the meeting to order at 5:30PM.

2. PUBLIC INPUT- (GUESTS AT THE WPCA MEETING MAY SPEAK TO ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA. COMMENTS SHALL BE LIMITED TO NO MORE THAN THREE (3) MINUTES PER SPEAKER.)

There were no public comments this evening.

3. APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE WPCA MEETING HELD ON JUNE 17, 2024 (COPY INCLUDED)

**** MR. IGNERI MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS SUBMITTED.**
**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

4. AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF BALANCES IN THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS SET ASIDE IN FISCAL YAR 2023-24 TO FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 TO BE USED FOR THE SAME PURPOSE THE FUNDS WERE INTENDED FOR.

ACCOUNT NO.	AMOUNT	VENDOR
224062-5258	$1,491,144.63	VEOLIA
224062-5298	$4,500.00	SNYDER GROUP

Ms. Valadares said the remaining funds in these accounts for fiscal year 2023/24 need to be moved into fiscal year 2024/25. Mr. Oustafine said this is done each year and these are not capital accounts, and the City of Norwalk routinely transfers operating accounts forward if they are being used for the same purpose.

****MR. BOVE MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF BALANCES IN THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS SET ASIDE IN FISCAL YAR 2023-24 TO FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 TO BE USED FOR THE SAME PURPOSE THE FUNDS WERE INTENDED FOR.**
**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. CONTRACT OPERATIONS REPORT

a. Veolia Monthly Report- June 2024 (copy included)

Mr. Gambino reported and said in June the collections team completed 0.25 miles of TV inspection, 0.62 miles of cleaning, 86 manhole inspections, and 2.09 miles of SLRAT and 2.50 miles of cleaning was done in the lining areas. He said that 38 IPP inspections were also completed.

Mr. Gambino said that all four settling tanks are equipped with the new rubber sweeps and are decreasing the scum rapidly, and the new secondary scum line has been installed by the Veolia team which aided in the removal of the scum. He said the secondary water pump has also been repaired and put back online.

Mr. Gambino said there were no significant wet weather events in June and were in compliance with all permit requirements for the month of June.

b. Six RAS Pump Control Replacement

Mr. Gambino reported on the major repair and replacement and out of scope items for the coming fiscal year and said new controls will be installed on the six RAS pumps that were just repaired so they will operate more efficiently.

c. Fort Point Street Pump Station Equipment

Mr. Gambino said the Fort Point pump station equipment is being upgraded due to the Walkbridge project. Ms. Smyth asked if the state will be contributing to the cost of the upgrade. Ms. Valadares said there will be a good contribution from the state and has agreed that they will be responsible for upgrading the force main and the WPCA will purchase the pumps, but they will be responsible for the installation.

6. REPORTS

a. FY 23/24 Revenues/Expenditures MUNIS Reports (copy included)

There was no discussion.

b. Discussion on WPCA Engineering Projects:

1) Catch Basin Disconnect Program

Ms. Bauer reported and said staff are working with Brown and Caldwell to finalize the basis of design report and once that is finalized, they will move forward into designing the next phase of disconnects for that project.

2) Hubbell's Lane Relief Sewer

Ms. Bauer said staff is working towards 90% design with Brown and Caldwell and are expecting the receive the 90% drawings and specifications by the end of this month for review.

3) Beacon Street Sanitary Sewer

Ms. Bauer said the scope for design will be moving forward for approximately 1000 linerar feet of pipe to reduce the surcharging in that area.

4) Keeler Brook PS Replacement

Ms. Bauer said staff is working with Eversource to finalize the agreement for the phase II of the environmental assessment.

c. Discussion on WPCA Construction Projects

1) Collection- Sammis and Bell Island Sewershed Rehabilitation (copy included)

Ms. Bauer said the total project is just under 63,000 linear feet and to date have completed over 42,000 linear feet so is 60% complete in the lining project with Insituform which includes the additional sewershed areas that were added to the project.

d. Consent Order:

1) 2024 Annual Progress Report

Ms. Bauer said as part of the Consent Order the annual progress report has been submitted by the June 30th deadline which provided updates on all the work that was done in 2023. She said the progress towards the goals included in the report were that 40,000 linear feet of pipe lining working with Green Mountain Pipelines and Insituform which included the Belle Island and Sammis Street sewershed with the additional scope of the Marvin Beach area, Woodward Avenue, and the Shady Beach pump station sewersheds, working with Brown and Caldwell on the basis of design report for the catch basin disconnect project which is the feasibility of the 43 catch basins that we are hoping to disconnect over the next five years which would divert approximately 203 million gallons of peak flow into the wastewater collections system, the Hubbell's Lane relief sewer project which will significantly reduce surcharging in that area and permanently close the Wall Street overflow, working with Brown and Caldwell and Arcadis on the facility plan update that was submitted on September 29, 2023, which ultimately recommended a comprehensive weather flow reduction program to reduce I&I targeting specific areas in the collections system and advance the elimination of the wetweather outfall.

e. Sewer Use Bill Appeals/Adjustments to date

1) Appeal status

Ms. Bauer said the appeals to date are $42,294.

f. Information Copies: None

Mr. Frayer asked if there were any conclusions or outcomes from the meeting that was held with the DEEP on February 20, 2024. Ms. Valadares said she received a response back from the DEEP late last

week but has not yet had the chance to review it, but it is a priority for staff and should provide a report to the WPCA board at the next meeting.

7. ADJOURNMENT

**** MR. FRAYER MOVED TO ADJOURN.**
**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:43PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dilene Byrd