

**New Hartford Water Pollution Control Authority
TOWN OF NEW HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, February 1, 2018 at 7:00 PM
New Hartford Town Hall
530 Main Street, New Hartford, Connecticut**

PRESENT: Chairman Denton Butler, Mary Beth Greenwood, Michael LeClaire, Wes Marsh, Polly Pobuda, and Joe Toro.

ABSENT: David Douyard.

Chairman Denton Butler called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

1. APPROVAL JANUARY 18, 2018 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES:

MOTION: Ms. Greenwood, Mr. Toro second, to approve the January 18, 2018 Special Meeting Minutes as amended; unanimously approved.

2. CURRENT BUDGET PERFORMANCE – MONTHLY STATEMENT:

Mr. Butler reported that approximately \$10K had been received the date of the meeting and is not included in the figure of \$35,212.80 previously communicated via email earlier in the week. He noted that the balance on hand is still less than the current payables.

Drops in revenue were reviewed and discussed, with the declines noted as likely being a result of drastic drop-offs in usage. It was noted that the loss of the cleaners from town and the associated loss in revenue from that usage had been previously factored and considered during budget preparation. Discussion ensued about putting forth to the Board of Selectmen an additional deferral of the payment of debt service.

MOTION: Mr. Toro, Mr. LeClaire second, to request that the Chairman of this Board go to the Board of Selectmen and request relief from the February 1, 2018 debt service payment; unanimously approved.

3. OPERATIONS REPORTS:

A. Water & Sewer.

Discussion occurred regarding the amount of production at the Black Bridge well since it is currently the secondary well.

B. Pine Meadow Well.

Mr. Butler reported a failure of one of the two pumps at the Pine Meadow well.

C. Waste Water Treatment Plant Pump Failure.

Mr. Butler also reported that a failure of a critical component of the SBR tank occurred earlier in the week for which he authorized an expenditure of \$2300 for those repairs.

MOTION: Mr. Marsh, Mr. Toro second, to approve an emergency appropriation not to exceed \$7600 to replace one of two pumps at the wet well station in Pine Meadow and to approve the emergency appropriation not to exceed \$2300 for the meter replacement for the SBR tank; unanimously approved.

4. ASSET EVALUATION TEAM UPDATE:

Mr. Butler reported that the Asset Evaluation Team will meet with Torrington Water Company and Aquarion on February 7, 2018 and will meet with Connecticut Water on February 8, 2018 to address the outstanding questions derived from the previous Request for Proposal.

The agenda was modified in that *MDC Billing Dispute Update* was taken up ahead of the *Rules and Regulation Review*.

5. ALL OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE WPCA:

A. MDC Billing Dispute Update.

Mr. Butler reported that former MDC President David Silverstone has been appointed as Customer Advocate to arbitrate customer disputes. He noted that he has drafted a correspondence to Mr. Silverstone disputing charges from the MDC since 1996.

6. RULES AND REGULATION REVIEW:

A. Subdivision Regulation.

Mr. Butler explained that a potential development situation may be breaking as the weather gets warmer.

B. Developer Agreement.

A draft of a Developer Agreement was reviewed. It was noted that there will be a second meeting in February at which both the Subdivision Regulation and Developer Agreement will be again reviewed.

MOTION: Mr. LeClaire, Mr. Marsh second, to adjourn at 8:13PM; unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

**Pamela A. Colombie
Recording Clerk**