

**New Hartford Water Pollution Control Authority  
TOWN OF NEW HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
Thursday, January 3, 2019 at 7:00 PM  
New Hartford Town Hall  
530 Main Street, New Hartford, Connecticut**

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

**ABSENT:** None

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

The agenda was modified to add *Potential Processing of Leachate from the RRDD 1 and Supplying Water to a Subdivision on Whitbeck Road.*

**1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN/VICE CHAIRMAN:**

**MOTION:** Mr. Marsh, Mr. LeClaire second, to elect Mr. Butler as Chairman and Mr. Toro as Vice Chairman; unanimously approved.

**2. MINUTES – DECEMBER 8, 2018 REGULAR MEETING:**

The December 8, 2018 Minutes should be amended as follows:

Item 5B: *Easement Initiative – 495/507 Main.* Regarding the easement discussion at 495/507 Main Street, the Minutes should have reflected that the WPCA had not yet received an application for connecting.

Item 5A: *FOI Hearing Concerning SSA & AET.* The paragraph should read, "...A new date for this hearing has been postponed again from a previously-scheduled date of November 30, 2018, to a date yet to be scheduled. He noted that the complainant met with First Selectman Dan Jerram and his Executive Assistant Christine Hayward and had likely received the information previously sought on the SSA and not the AET."

**3. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REVIEW:**

**A. Re-open Discussion - Town Debt Payments.**

Mr. Butler reviewed the WPCA financial status and the projected revenues for January and February. He recommended that three proposed back payments on the debt owed to the Town, as proposed at the December 6, 2018 meeting. The board concurred so long as no emergencies arise causing repairs.

**4. OPERATIONS REPORTS – SEWER & WATER:**

**A. Water Main Break – Loomis Heights.**

Chairman Butler reported that he had provided notice to residents effected by the Loomis Heights waterline break and subsequent repair and the difficulties experienced with the detection and possible causes. Mr. Butler reported that costs for the restoration were \$8478.

The Board reviewed the monthly financial statements sent to them previously via email, in advance of this meeting. They also reviewed the revenue projection/history prepared by Ms. Greenwood. The revenues approximated last year's revenues and were slightly higher.

**B. FOG Issue – 2 Bridge**

Mr. Butler reported a backup that occurred just before New Year's Eve at the restaurant at 2 Bridge Street.

**5. AET PROGRESS REPORT:**

As there were many students in attendance at the meeting, Mr. Butler explained the history behind the formation of the Asset Evaluation Team (AET) and the charge they have been working under. Mr. Butler reported that the AET is still awaiting a response from the USDA's Washington office on this board's request for grant forgiveness.

**7. OTHER UPDATES & OPERATIONS REPORTS:**

**A. FOI Hearing Concerning SSA & AET.**

Mr. Butler provided an update regarding the Freedom of Information complaint lodged relative to the Sewer Service Area (SSA) and the AET. He reported that the complaint surrounding the SSA has been withdrawn. Therefore, the hearing regarding that matter has been canceled, according to Mr. Butler. However, Mr. Butler noted that the hearing regarding the AET is scheduled for mid-January.

**B. Easement Initiative – 495/507 Main Street.**

Mr. Butler shared an email he had sent to Professional Engineer Ken Hrica detained by Dunkin Donuts outlining the WPCA's concerns regarding their proposed project and their lack of an application. He noted that he had also has reviewed the proposed easement for project and found it unacceptable. He has not received a response from the engineer.

Additionally, the Board discussed an application received by the Planning and Zoning Commission for development off of Whitbeck Road. Mr. Butler explained the developer has requested that the Torrington Water Company be the entity to supply water to the subdivision. Discussion ensued. The consensus of the board was that TWC is likely in the best position to provide water to the subdivision.

The Board also discussed the proposed Industrial Park development.

**MOTION:** Mr. LeClaire, Mr. Marsh second, to adjourn at 8:04PM; unanimously approved.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Pamela A. Colombie  
Recording Clerk**