

New Hartford Water Pollution Control Authority
TOWN OF NEW HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT
“REGULAR” MEETING
And
PSTT (POST SALE TRANSITION TEAM) “SPECIAL” MEETING
SESSIONS CONFERENCE ROOM
Thursday, August 3, 7:00 PM

Present Chairman Denton Butler, Michael LeClaire, Polly Pobuda, Wes Marsh, Mary Beth Greenwood, and David Douyard.

Absent - Joe Toro

Chairman Butler called to order the joint meeting of the WPCA and the PSST at 7:01 pm.

First order of business, the review of PURA's tentative approval of the sewer/water asset sale. Following completion of oral arguments AWC, The Town and intervenors were allowed to comment on the pending decision.

The final closing of the sale is tentatively planned for October. The Chairman also stated that Selectman Jerram has agreed that since another sewer plant debt payment has been made, the additional funds specified per the referendum may be applied to the Pine Meadow Sewer project following review by the appropriate Town agencies. Ms. Greenwood asked how soon AWC would be able to go before PURA for a sewer rate case hearing, to which Mr. Butler replied to the best of his knowledge the period for such a hearing varied, but not to exceed (4) years.

Butler reported on the activities of the Subsidies and Connection Assistance subcommittee. He recommended the subcommittee meet after the sale completion with the full PSTT to discuss and act on the subcommittee's recommendations, prior to going before the Board of Selectmen with recommendations. He also noted the issuance of the WPCA Newsletter #4 was temporarily delayed.

Mr. Butler informed members that payment of outstanding WPCA accounts via credit card was not feasible and he would contact AWC regarding other potential collection methods that they might make available. Mr. LeClaire then asked what had been done to collect outstanding debts and Mr. Butler responded that several individuals had been sent to collection agencies, properties have been liened and others reached-out to the WPCA for repayment plans.

A motion to adjourn the PSTT meeting was made by Polly Pobuda at 7:38 PM, seconded by Mike LeCaire. Motion unanimously approved.

The regular meeting of WPCA was reconvened by Mr. Butler at 7:40 PM.

The first item of business was to approve the July minutes, which required one correction- namely that Mr. Marsh raised the question regarding Pine Meadow Farms on the last page of the minutes instead of Mr. LeClaire as stated therein. Motion to approve the minutes as amended was made by Mr. LeClaire, seconded by Polly Pobuda and unanimously approved with Mr. Douyard abstaining.

Members adopted the WPCA budget for FY 24-25 as proposed. A motion made by Mr. Douyard, seconded by Mr. LeClaire to accept the budget as proposed was unanimously approved.

Mr. Butler then noted the TWC operations report for July just arrived and he would be forwarding it to members forthwith. He also informed members that DEEP conducted an unannounced inspection of the sewer plant, which found no substantive operational deficiencies.

With no new business brought forward, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM. following a motion for same by Mr. LeClaire, seconded by Mr. Douyard and unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,
Wes Marsh, Acting Secretary