

Town of East Hampton
Water Pollution Control Authority
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, February 7, 2023
Colchester-East Hampton Treatment Plant Meeting Room and Zoom

MINUTES

Present: John Suprono, Peter Villa, Dave Terry, Anthony DeSimone, Mike Filanda and Kerry Comisky

Not Present: Mark Barmasse

Other Attendee(s) Scott Clayton, Public Utilities Administrator and Ben Gilmore, Superintendent Joint Facilities

1. Call to Order

Mr. Suprono called the February 7, 2023 meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

A. Regular Meeting of January 3, 2023

Mr. Terry made a motion to approve the January 3, 2023 meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Villa. **Vote 6-0,**

3. Public Remarks

A. None

4. Review of Correspondence

A. None

5. Committee Reports

A. Joint Facilities

Mr. Clayton reported that a representative of NAGE, on behalf of the Local -319 Union addressed the Board regarding comments made by Colchester Board members on their work performance. An SOP Sub-Committee was created to review and or create procedures for all the interconnected towns and their pump stations. A proposal was received from AECOM for the MAPS study and has been forwarded to CT DEEP for review. The 2023/24 Joint Facilities proposed budget was presented.

B. Operations, Management & Budget Committee

1. Budget Status FY 22/23

Mr. Clayton reported on the 22/23 budget. Revenue is reporting at 68.1%. Expenses are reporting at 68.5%. Responding to the question at last month's meeting of how the sewers payments have been received in relation to full and partial payment. Out of 2774 accounts, 1017 paid in full, 1403 paid 1st installment and 354 are delinquent. Revenue collected from water customers for Town Center and Royal Oaks is running behind at 48.2% and 48.3% respectively. Operations is reporting at 56.1% spent for Town Center and 65.7% spent at Royal Oaks. *Copies distributed and made part of these minute*

C. Public Water Systems

1. Village Center Water System Operations

Mr. Gilmore reported that there's been some Injector issues. Also, well pump #1 is running intermittently and is working to identify the problem.

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2. Royal Oaks Water System Operations

Flush valves have been replaced and new piping going to the green sand filter are on order. Also, work is 95% done on getting the 2nd analyzer online.

3. Hampton Woods Water System

Mr. Clayton met with a realtor and developer showing some interest.

4. Municipal Water System Update

Mr. Clayton visited properties in Cobalt center for a possible treatment facility and behind Memorial School for a possible tower.

D. Sewer Development

1. Sewer Service Area Discussion

Edgewater Hill is looking at possibly adding a new road for approx. 15 houses. This road is not part of the current master plan.

6. Old Business, Discussion/Action

A. Connection Charge discussion

Mr. Terry asked about the statutes of the Grinder Pump Opt-out agreement. *The agreement has been finalized*

Mr. Clayton reported that a portion of the fence separating Edgemere Condos and the Clark Hill pump was falling down and had to be replaced.

7. Capital Planning

A. Pine Trail, North Maple and Princess Pocotopaug Force Main

Work is almost completed at the North Maple pump station. A change order was added to repair the piping at one of the manholes. Sequence of construction has changed to Pine Trail pump station while water is low.

8. New Business, Discussion/Action

A. WPCA Budget Presentation FY 23/24

Mr. Clayton presented the proposed 2023/24 Expense Budget for review and discussion. Discussion began with a focus on the increase from Joint Facilities, evolving into a line item review of the budget and detailed discussion. Any changes or correction will be made at the March 7, 2023 meeting. *Copies were distributed and made part of these minutes.*

9. Adjournment

Mr. DeSimone made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Filanda. **Vote: 4-0**
The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda B. Connors
Recording Secretary