CITY OF MILFORD SEWER COMMISSION REGULAR September 24, 2014

The Sewer Commission of the City of Milford held a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 24, 2014, in Conference Room A of the Parsons Government Center, 70 West River Street, Milford, CT. Chairman Robert Carroll opened the public hearing at 6:30 p.m.

The following Commissioners were in attendance:

Chairman Robert Carroll
Vice Chairman Don Anderson
Commissioner Lee Cooke
Commissioner Bradford Hubler
Commissioner Edmund Collier

Others in attendance:

Chris Saley, Public Works Director Jim Cooper, Wastewater Ray Macaluso, Westcott & Mapes Beverly Hayes, Recording Secretary

Chairman Carroll asked for Citizens Comments and reminded everyone that statements are limited to the legislative functions of the Sewer Commission and the time limit granted to each speaker shall be 3 minutes, residents, taxpayers or electors may address the Commission.

1. **CITIZENS COMMENTS** - None

2. PETITIONS ACCORDING TO DATE AND TIME THEY WERE SUBMITTED

<u>965 Bridgeport Avenue</u> – Petition for retail sales of fresh fruit & vegetables Mehmet Hasankahyaoglo, 216 Waxhall Street, New London, CT 06250 explained that he is proposing retail sales of fresh fruits and vegetables. There will be very little water used, as he does not wash the produce. R. Macaluso explained that the other tenants are over the allowable water usage for this site. Charman Carroll added that landlord needs to evaluate the water usage to determine if there is a leak as well as install water saving devices. Once that is resolved, the applicant can come in for an administrative approval, but the Sewer Commission needs to see a reduction in the water usage. Mr. Hasankahyaoglo stated that he will bring the information to the office.

<u>577 New Haven Avenue</u> – Petition for new restaurant in existing space. George Baranowsky, 196 Platt Street, Milford, on behalf of the applicant, Ryan Trevethan. The previous restaurant, Pop's was in this proposed space. He explained that he has past water bills for that site and the applicant has installed a new dishwasher that uses half the water of the previous tenant, as well as new water saving devices on the toilets. R. Macaluso explained that the whole complex is over the allowable water usage, which is 2,040 GPD, with this applicant's proposal alone at 2,478 GPD which should be brought to your attention, as this site has a history of being over their allowable water usage.

3. NON CONFORMING APPLICATIONS (PETITIONS) - None

4. TABLED APPLICATIONS

335 Meadowside Road – 18 Units.

5. WESTCOTT & MAPES, INC.

A. Indian River Interceptor Replacement, Phase 2 - Rebid

Mr. Macaluso reported that C. J. Fucci Construction Company completed initial submittals, and mobilized for work on site, constructed the waste stockpile area for handling contaminated materials, and continued construction of the portable VOC Treatment System for contaminated groundwater at the intersection of Old Gate Lane and New Haven Avenue. He further stated that CJF installed permanent sheeting for the 30-inch sanitary sewer crossing on New Haven Avenue at Pond Point Avenue.

The Contractor's Application for Payment No. 1 has been reviewed and certified by Westcott and Mapes, Inc. in the amount of \$416,333.92, and Mr. Macaluso respectfully requested approval of payment to C. J. Fucci Construction Co.

Mr. Macaluso distributed a copy of Go Environmental's memorandum in reference to apparent impacted soils within the project limits.

B. New Haven Avenue/Rosemary Court/Grove Street Infill

Mr. Macaluso reported that R. Camputaro & Son Excavating, Inc. completed the installation of landscape plantings and site work for the Grove Street Pump Station.

The Contractor's Application for Payment No. 12 has been reviewed and certified by Westcott and Mapes, Inc. in the amount of \$8,137.66, and Mr. Macaluso respectfully requested approval of payment to Camputaro.

C. <u>Infill Project No. 1</u> No Change.

D. Infill Project No. 2

Mr. Macaluso reported that VMS Construction Company completed installation of mainline sanitary sewer and laterals on Raton Drive, and High Street, completed connecting existing homes into the new water main on Wilson Street, and were currently installing mainline sanitary sewer on Wilson Street.

The Contractor's Application for Payment No. 5 has been reviewed and certified by Westcott and Mapes, Inc. in the amount of \$439,708.23, and Mr. Macaluso respectfully requested approval of payment to VMS Construction Co.

E. <u>Indian River Interceptor Replacement – Work Zone Safety Concerns</u>
Mr. Macaluso submitted a letter from Go Environmental dated September 23, 2014 for the record. He explained that Tetrachloroethylene (PCE) was encountered in the soil at the site. They have ceased work on the project, adding that DEEP, OSHA, is involved as well.

6. CONSULTING ENGINEER'S REPORT -

Mr. Macaluso reported that Don's Landscaping & Tree Service LLC completed all work associated with the Shadyside Lane restoration project. Their Application for Payment No.2 has been reviewed and certified by W&M in the amount of \$2,125.00 and Mr. Macaluso respectfully requested approval of payment for release of their retainage. The project can be closed.

7. <u>USER FEE REVISIONS/ASSESSMENT REVISIONS</u> - None

8. **COMMITTEE REPORTS** - None

9. WASTEWATER REPORT

Plants

The Housatonic performed well in the month of August, as did the Beaverbrook Treatment Plant.

At the Housatonic Plant normal monthly maintenance was performed. The new installing the new nitrogen monitoring equipment is installed with the exception of the SCADA connection. At the Beaverbrook Plant normal monthly maintenance was performed, and the Beaverbrook Staff has installed stairs to allow safer access to the roof of the main building, for maintaining the aeration blower filter system, the odor control system and other roof blowers. We should be starting to install the nitrogen removal equipment there soon.

Collection System

Pump Stations

Scheduled maintenance was performed at the following pump stations: Ryder's Woods, and Roses Mill Road.

Other Duties performed by Pump Station crews:

- 1. The UI installed new transformers at the Roger's Ave. pump station and we ordered a new VFD to replace a bad one.
- 2. The fuel tank at the Anderson Ave station was found to be getting water in the fuel, a new tank has been ordered.
- 3. The guide rail at the Roses mill Station failed and caused the pump to drop and be damaged, the rail was repaired and a new pump ordered.
- 4. The entry lock was replaced at the Oldfield Lane Station, and a generator louver screen was replaced at Captain's Walk.
- 5. Six wet wells and float systems were cleaned, two clogged pumps were cleared, and all grounds were cleaned and maintained.
- 6. All generators were load tested successfully.
- 7. There were four (4) alarms at pump stations in August: (2) two for power outages and (2) two for control power.

Sewer Maintenance

Sewer Maintenance answered five (5) complaints

Sewer Maintenance crews performed scheduled maintenance at four (4) trouble sites citywide: #16, #33, #39, and #40.

Scheduled maintenance performed by Sewer Maintenance crews on the following equipment: "Old" Jet Truck (lights, check gauges, battery, and cables), 2", 3", 4", pump hoses, suction and discharge.

There were five (5) sewer excavations in August: 95 Clark Hill, 24 Gerard St., 34 West Main St., 9 Housatonic Dr., and 11 Snow Apple Lane.

Other duties performed by Sewer maintenance crews:

- 1. Spy eye TVed at Animal Control to check drain system for blockages, checked noisy manhole on Seaview Ave.
- 2. Replaced a small clean out (frame and cover) at 28 Broad St., replaced manhole ring on 154 Pond Point Ave.
- 3. Took "old" sewer jet to repair shop in Wallingford for repairs to jetting system.
- 4. Repaired manholes at West Ave, and Housatonic Dr.
- 5. Worked with pump station crews on wet well cleaning, and retrieving pump part at Roses Mill Pump Station.

Total of 16,485 feet were jet flushed 5,110 feet were TV'ed with our standard TV equipment, and 1,870 feet were tv'ed with the spy eye camera. We also hand rodded 680 ft, used the hydraulic jet root cutter to relieve 1,335 feet, root treated 615 ft. we dye tested 750 ft and smoke tested 995 feet to check sewer connections.

We had a sewer blockage on New Haven Ave. at Davis Ct., the crews as they were checking the site found a significant amount of food preparation establishment grease, there are only three restaurants on this line, two of them have grease traps and one Anthony D's does not. There is a section in the Fat, Oil and Grease Regulations that states if there is an area of known grease problems we can order a restaurant to install a grease trap, all of the restaurants should have them already. I think in order to protect the City from violating the DEEP Fog regulations we have to enforce this rule with regards to Anthony D's Restaurant, and I ask the Commission to authorize sending a letter to start that process.

E. Collier made a motion to authorize the Chairman to send out a letter giving the owner of Anthony D's a reasonable amount of time to install the exterior grease trap, 30 – 90 days, then put a limit on the time allowed if not installed within that time frame. D. Anderson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

C. Saley added that Papa's Pizza was recently sent a letter requiring he install a 1,000 gallon exterior grease trap. The owner, Russell Pietrini submitted a copy of the minutes from the August 12, 1986 Sewer Commission meeting. The minutes state they gave him a waiver of a 1,000 exterior grease trap providing that his existing interior grease trap, would be subject to periodic inspection. R. Macaluso added that it sounds like he has an internal grease trap, however, if no AGRU has been installed then he is required to install the exterior grease trap. J. Cooper stated that he will verify if the internal grease trap had been installed.

10. **VOTING**

1) Meeting Minutes August 27, 2014

Chairman Carroll asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes of

August 27, 2014 – Tabled as the Board had not received them.

2) Payments.

Chairman Carroll asked for a motion to approve the payments scheduled.

L. Cooke made a motion to approve the payments in the amount of \$971,074.29 seconded by D. Anderson. The motion carried unanimously.

3) Applications

965 Bridgeport Avenue – Chairman Carroll asked for a motion.

D. Anderson made a motion to table with B. Hubler seconding the motion.

577 New Haven Avenue- Chairman Carroll asked for a motion.

E. Collier made a motion to approve with B. Hubler seconding the motion. E. Collier expressed that he approves with reservation and in future no other businesses can be considered. C Saley added that there is no incentive for owners to bring water usage down when the board approves these sites that are over their allowable water usages.

E. Collier then made a motion to authorize notification to landlord/owner that they must address the water usage at this site to bring it into compliance or no further applications for this site will be considered. B. Hubler seconded the motion.

Both motions carried unanimously.

11. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Carroll stated that there are 23 sewer commission administrative approvals for the month of September..

Chairman Carroll asked for a motion to adjourn at 7:20 pm.

B. Hubler made a motion to adjourn at 7:20 p.m, seconded by L. Cooke. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Beverly A. Hayes, BS, Recording Secretary