

CITY OF MILFORD
SEWER COMMISSION REGULAR
April 26, 2017

The Sewer Commission of the City of Milford held a regular meeting on Wednesday, April 26, 2017 in Conference Room A of the Parsons Government Center, 70 West River Street, Milford, CT. Vice Chairman Lee Cooke opened the regular meeting at 6:00 p.m.

The following Commissioners were in attendance:

Vice Chairman Lee Cooke
Commission Vito Castignoli
Commissioner Edmund Collier
Commissioner Bradford Hubler

Commissioners not in attendance:

Chairman Robert Carroll

Others in attendance:

Christopher Saley, Public Works Director
Ed Kozlowski, Wastewater
Ray Macaluso, Westcott & Mapes
Beverly Hayes, Recording Secretary

Vice Chairman Cooke called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Vice Chairman Cooke 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

Vice Chairman Cooke asked for a motion to recorder the meeting to take up an item under the Chairman’s Report – 328 Meadowside Road. Commissioner Collier made a motion to reorder the meeting with Commissioner Castignoli seconding the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Vice Chairman Cooke explained that last month the commission approved this application to authorize the Chairman to Administratively Approve the application contingent on submission by the applicant, proof of reduction in the flow as the result of water saving devices. Chairman Carroll did not sign the approval upon receipt of this information, as he wanted to bring the information back to commission. Mr. Macaluso explained that Chairman Carroll was not comfortable with approving the application because it does not comply with the recently approved Sewer Equivalency which were lowered so that these types of applications would not have to request waivers. There is no way to police the installed low flow fixtures once this application is approved. Commissioner Cooke said that what he wanted from the applicant was a reduction in one unit to comply. Commissioner Collier added that making exceptions and the slippery slope has to stop. He suggested that we wait for next month so Chairman Carroll can speak to this, so no action is required. Atty. Lynch explained that this is over

by such a small amount and they submitted fixture information depicting the flow would be under that of the allowed. You have approved other applications with this information. He suggested they could add conditions to the already approved application. Please take this under consideration as they have shown good faith here. Commissioner Collier thanked Mr. Lynch and explained that the commission would take this up at the next meeting when Chairman Carroll returns.

2. APPLICATIONS (PETITIONS):

- a) 1377 New Haven Avenue – New Haven Pizza Place – Request waiver of exterior grease trap and approval of interior AGRU

Frank Bernardo, 373 Quinnipiac Avenue, explained that he has a facility located in North Haven where he prepares, cooks the ingredients for his pizzas he typically sells on his Pizza Trucks. He would like to open a restaurant at Adam's Plaza at 1377 New Haven Avenue and operate in the same manor. He will have a Wood Fired Pizza Oven, no stove, no cooking of ingredients other than the pizza. He will serve all his pizzas on paper boards and only use paper plates, he is not hand washing anything. He explained that he does not require a grease trap, however, he is installing an AGRU Big Dipper 250 Series. He is looking for a waiver of the exterior grease trap. Commissioner Cooke asked if there is a Health Department approval letter. Mr. Bernardo responded that it is still under review and he showed them his review which is requiring some additional information. Mr. Macaluso explained that the AGRU is sized correctly for his operation; however, he would like to make sure that there is no dishwasher and other requirements before granting the wavier. He went on to suggest that the commission wait for the Health Department letter and find out more about the dishwasher and other requirements, however, it could be approved with that condition.

Commissioner Hubler approved the application for the waiver of the exterior grease on the condition that the Health Department letter is received and that there is no dishwasher and other requirements. Commissioner Collier seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. WESTCOTT & MAPES, INC.:

- A. Indian River Interceptor - Phase 2A & 2B

Mr. Macaluso reported the Contractor, C.J. Fucci is on site completing the required punch list work.

- B. Rock Street and Welch's Point Road Pump Stations

Mr. Macaluso reported the contractor Kovacs Construction Corp. continues to submit shop drawings for review and approval. He further reported piping, fittings, valves and pump materials have been stored at the Contractors yard for this period. All equipment and material stored has insurance coverage and an agreement for stored material submitted and accepted by Westcott and Mapes, Inc. in accordance with the Contract Documents. Payment application #7 has been reviewed and certified by W&M in the amount of \$248,425.00.

Mr. Macaluso added that Mr. Saley has requested that the generator be increased to 450 KW and incorporate into the City storm water project which would increase the cost by approximately \$6,000.00 paid by DPW. Mr. Kozlowski would rather have a walk in generator, as this would be better for staff to work on the unit in inclement weather, and also protect it from vandalism and increase the life of the unit. He added that most generators are enclosed and would be definitely worth it over the 20 year lifespan. Mr. Macaluso contacted Kovacs for an approximate cost and they threw him some large numbers. He added that the generator is the key component here. He suggested that we need a formal request for a quote for this walk in generator, so it can be presented and approved by the Commission, adding that this will delay the work, he just wanted the commission understands that. C. Saley added that maybe the city can help with the project.

C. Edgefield Avenue Pipe Lining

Mr. Macaluso reported the Contractor, National Water Main Cleaning Co. is on site performing the final testing and chimney lining.

D. Beaver Brook WWTP Aeration Line Replacement

Mr. Macaluso reported the bids were opened on Thursday, April 13th and there was one bidder, B&W Paving & Landscaping. Their bid was for \$554,050.00. He explained that Mr. Saley will speak to the Mayor regarding cost and approval. Mr. Saley stated this project needs to be done and should have been part of the upgrades to the plant.

E. Edgefield Avenue Sanitary Sewer Replacement

Mr. Macaluso reported he received authorization from DOT to proceed with the bidding of Edgefield Avenue Sanitary Sewer Replacement project. W&M is preparing the documents and will advertise within a week. This project will remove and replace approximately 1,500 linear feet of the existing 15" diameter sanitary sewer in Edgefield Avenue with new 18" diameter sewer. The area is located from the manhole at Nolan Terrace going up towards Yale Avenue. The State has approved the patch for the trench as the State neglected to pave that area last year.

4. **CONSULTING ENGINEER'S REPORT**- *No Report*

5. **PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR REPORT**

a.) Darina Place Sewer Replacement – Certificate of Substantial Completion – request for release of retainage.

C. Saley, stated they received the request for the release of the retainage. The road restoration will be completed by the City using the VIP Pricing from the State.

Commissioner Castignoli made a motion to release the retainage with Commissioner Collier seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS** - None

7. **WASTEWATER REPORT**– Ed Kozlowski

Plants

Both Wastewater Plants performed well in the month of March, producing a good effluent.

At the Housatonic Plant normal monthly maintenance was performed. Generator was run at West Avenue pump station and the Housatonic plant. Replaced rotary lobes for TWAS pumps. Replaced shear pins for the Primary tank. Made repairs to flow gate. Serviced polymer machines. Made repairs to the boiler at West Avenue. Average effluent nitrogen was 483 pounds per day. The State limit is 307 pounds.

At the Beaver Brook Plant normal monthly maintenance was performed. The belt filter press was serviced. The step screen was serviced. The plant did the monthly emergency generator test run. Average effluent nitrogen was 62 pounds per day. The State limit is 94 pounds.

Collection System

Pump Stations

Scheduled maintenance was performed at the following pump stations: Sailors Lane, Pumpkin Delight, Carriage Drive and Live Oaks.

Other Duties Performed

- 1.The generator battery was replaced at Ford Street.
- 2.Made repairs to the fence at Flax Mill Road.
- 3.Replaced the #1 pump at Ryders Woods.
4. Wet wells were cleaned.
5. All grounds were cleaned and maintained.
- 6.All emergency power generators were load tested successfully.

There was 1 alarm at pump stations for high water.

Sewer Maintenance

Sewer Maintenance answered 4 complaints.

Sewer Maintenance crews performed scheduled maintenance at 8 trouble sites. T-7, T-8, T-9, T-26, T-27, T-28, T-29, T-30, T-33, T-38 and T-39.

There was 1 sewer excavation in March at 11 Fairview Avenue.

Other duties performed were:

- 1.TV'd 8" and 6" lines behind library for Public Works.
- 2.Blood borne pathogens class – Milford Health Dept.

3. Duke's root control
4. Cut driveway at Old Gate Lane.
5. Easement work: Swanson Drive, Branca Court, Ryders Woods and Cascade Boulevard.

A total of 16,840 ft. were jet flushed, 6,180' televised, 3,045' were spy tv'ed, 2,930 ft. 610' were hand rodded, the hydraulic jet root cutter was used to relieve 1,250', Root treated 575' for laterals and dye tested 335' to check sewer connections and smoke tested 0' to identify various problems.

E. Kozlowski stated that he is retiring on June 30th, 2017. C. Saley stated the position has been advertised. He commended Mr. Kozlowski's dedication to the city.

8. VOTING

- a.) Meeting Minutes of Meeting March 22, 2017

Vice Chairman Cooke called for a motion to approve the minutes of March 22, 2017. Commissioner Collier made a motion to approve with Commissioner Hubler seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

- b.) Approval of Payments

Vice Chairman Cooke called for a motion to approve the payments in the amount of \$269,642.10. Commissioner Collier made a motion to approve the payments in the amount of \$269,642.10 seconded by Commissioner Castignoli. The motion carried unanimously.

9. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Vice Chairman Cooke stated there were 26 Sewer Commission Administrative Approvals for the period March 23, 2017 thru April 25, 2017.

Vice Chairman Cooke called for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 pm.

Commissioner Collier made a motion to adjourn at 6:43 pm seconded by Commissioner Hubler. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly A. Hayes, BS,
Recording Secretary