

Burrillville Sewer Commission
Regular Meeting of August 12, 2014
Board Room of the BWWTF

Members Present: Don C. Wolfe - Chairman
William Andrews – Vice Chairman
Richard Nolan – Commission Member
Russell Fontaine – Commission Member

Member(s) Absent: William Peterson – Commission Member

Also Present: Walter J. Kane – Attorney for the Commission
James J. Geremia – Consulting Engineer
John Martin III – Superintendent
Peg Franklin – Office Manager

Mr. Wolfe opened the meeting at 9:05 A.M.

Agenda Item – The question of accepting the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 8, 2014 and the Special Meeting of July 24, 2014; and the question of dispensing with the reading of said minutes.

Voted – Mr. Andrews made a motion to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 8, 2014 and the Special Meeting of July 24, 2014 and to dispense with the reading of said minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nolan. All in favor, so voted.

Public Comment: None

Correspondence:

Letter from Edward Brennan regarding a home purchased at 102-104 Laurel Hill October 2013. He is requesting an abatement of sewer use bills during the period of October 2013 to May 29, 2014 as all plumbing and water was disconnected during that period. Copies from Pascoag Utility District indicating water was shut off during said period and turned back on May 29, 2014 were provided by the owner.

Voted – Mr. Andrews made a motion to grant the abatement in the amount of \$544.96. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nolan. All in favor, so voted.

Letter from David Sutherland, 304 Arthur's Way, requesting an abatement of penalties on his sewer use bill in the amount of \$51.12. He stated he will pay his bill, which he did, but would like the penalties abated as he is stating he never received a bill until this July – There was some discussion regarding this matter. Mrs. Franklin stated that this property was obtained from a foreclosure.

Voted – Mr. Andrews made a motion to deny the request. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fontaine. All in favor, so voted.

Letter from Angelo S. Liberti, P.E., RI Department of Environmental Management, dated August 1, 2014, regarding the Modification to Wastewater Discharge Permit PT12-01 – Daniele, Inc. – Mr. Wolfe asked to revisit this item in November or December to discuss DEM giving documentation that at the end of Daniele's current permit control will be given to the Burrillville Sewer Commission.

Voted – Mr. Andrews made a motion to receive and file. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fontaine. All in favor, so voted.

Engineer's Report:

Discussion concerning the estimated cost for the Phosphorous Upgrade – Mr. Geremia gave the Commission his current estimate on the Phosphorous upgrade. There was some discussion regarding getting a price agreement with a time period and a formula on how the cost will go up. Mr. Geremia stated that he had sent a detailed set of plans to Blue Water and outlined the items that he and Mr. Martin are concerned with and asked Blue Water to respond with comments by August 22, 2014. Mr. Geremia suggested a status update on this item be placed on the agenda each month. There was some discussion regarding copper removal.

Correspondence dated July 30, 2014 from James J. Geremia and Tower Construction regarding door replacement and panel replacement bid – Mr. Geremia reported that he had spoken with Tower Construction and they stated they would reduce their price by \$1800.00.

Award contract for the roofs – Mr. Geremia reported that McKenna was the low bidder for the roofing contract. Mr. Geremia also reported that if the Commission decides to move forward with the roofing the abatement plan will need to be signed.

Voted – Mr. Andrews made a motion to award the contract to McKenna Roofing in the amount of \$179,225.00. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fontaine. All in favor, so voted.

Award contract for the panels

Award contract for the doors

Voted – Mr. Andrews made a motion to award the contracts for the panels and doors to Tower Construction in the amount of \$112,500.00. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fontaine. All in favor, so voted.

Authorize the Chairman to sign the Asbestos abatement plan for the Operation Building and Asbestos abatement plan for the stairway buildings and to forward the Executed copies along with a check for \$300.00 each to the RI Department of Health Voted – Mr. Andrews made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the asbestos abatement plan and to pay the fees out of Fund 8300. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fontaine. All in favor, so voted.

Schedule the Public Hearing on the Facilities Plan – The Commission set the Public Hearing for Tuesday, September 23, 2014 at 7:00 P.M at the Burrillville Wastewater Treatment Facility.

Progress on Daniele – Mr. Geremia reported that progress is being made on the sewer construction with Daniele and they are still within the projected thirty five (35) days. Mr. Geremia also stated that he received an email from Mr. Oakley regarding the manhole covers at Sweet Caroline’s and that he is still waiting for Mr. Oakley’s submission on replacement covers.

Voted – Mr. Andrews made a motion to accept the Engineer’s report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nolan. All in favor, so voted.

Attorney’s Report: Mr. Kane reported that other than attended the last Special Meeting he didn’t have any business to report.

Mr. Andrews asked for a status update on Mr. Comtois’s property being connected to the sewer. Mrs. Franklin stated that Mr. Comtois has not contacted the Commission office. Mr. Wolfe stated that if a second letter is sent to Mr. Comtois he would like it to be copied to the Town Manager.

Voted – Mr. Andrews made a motion to accept the Attorney’s report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fontaine. All in favor, so voted.

Superintendent’s Report:

Mr. Martin presented the Superintendent’s report for the month of July, 2014.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Month of July 2014

1. OPERATIONS:

A. <u>Influent to Treatment Facility :</u>	M.G.	Date Occurred
Average daily flow	0.7006	N/A
Maximum daily flow	0.7450	08-Jul
Minimum daily flow	0.6590	26-Jul

B.	<u>Biochemical Oxygen Demand :</u>	Percent removal	Average Concentration
	E.P.A./ D.E.M. requirement	> 85.0%	< 10.0 mg/l
	Facility achieved	98.7%	4.0
C.	<u>Total Suspended Solids :</u>		
	E.P.A./ D.E.M. requirement	> 85.0%	< 15.0 mg/l
	Facility achieved	99.1%	4.1
D.	<u>Total Phosphorus :</u>		
	E.P.A./ D.E.M. requirement	N/A	< 1.00 mg/l
	Facility achieved	89.4%	0.89
E.	<u>Total Ammonia :</u>		
	E.P.A./ D.E.M. requirement	N/A	< 8.9 mg/l
	Facility achieved	92.7%	3.0
F.	<u>Disposed Sludge :</u>		
	Dry Tons disposed of	34.63	
	Number of loads removed	26	
	Average dry tons/load	1.33	

2. COLLECTION SYSTEM OPERATIONS:

There were one call-in during the month at Mohegan pump station. The alarm was reset and station returned to normal operation.

Voted – Mr. Andrews made a motion to accept the Superintendent’s report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fontaine. All in favor, so voted.

Sewer Use/Sewer Assessment Write-Offs – none

Being no further business to come before the Commission, Mr. Andrews made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fontaine. All in favor, so voted.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacey Richard
Financial Aide