

Water Pollution Control Commission

*Town of Clinton, 54 East Main St., Clinton, CT 06413
Rose Room*

**MINUTES
Tuesday, January 10, 2012
REGULAR MEETING**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Michael MacDonald called the January 10, 2012 regular Meeting to order at 7:15 PM in the Rose Room of the William Stanton Andrews Memorial Town Hall.

Present: Hal Dolan, Laura Peterson, James Scanlon, Michael MacDonald (Chairman), Lynn Pinder (Vice Chairman)

Absent: Brian O'Connor, Carl Neri

Guests: Mary Jane Engle of CRAHD, Kristie Wagner of CDM Smith

Pinder requested to have the budget added to the meeting agenda. Dolan **moved to** have the Budget added to the agenda. Peterson seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Pinder, Dolan, Peterson, MacDonald, Scanlon. Opposed: none Abstained: none The motion **carried** 5-0-0.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

Engle and Wagner commented they were both here to help and provide technical support, they also have items on the agenda to comment on.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Peterson asked for clarification regarding Victoria Manor. Scanlon **moved** to accept and approve as presented the Minutes of the December 13, 2011 Meeting. Dolan seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Dolan, Peterson, MacDonald, Scanlon. Opposed: none Abstained: Pinder The motion **carried** 4-0-1.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Pinder received information from Unilever and gave it to Wagner before the meeting. Wagner and Engle summarized the information outlining the testing Unilever had done to determine if they could build an on-site discharge system. The property sits on 25 acres. Testing was done in the NW corner. The test results showed that the soils did not support the discharge volume Unilever needed of 25,000 gal/day. The proposed system was for 7,000 gal/day, and that required bringing in offsite fill. The system was not installed and Unilever has been transporting their discharge off site. The commission decided to take this off the list of suitable sites, since it will not adequately serve the needs of the town for wastewater disposal.
- Pinder received an e-mail from Allen Kravitz of Planning and Zoning. Kravitz is reaching out to all Boards and Commissions to participate in a joint meeting as an initial step in the process to draft a Town Wide Plan of Conservation and Development. Pinder requested that the clerk send the WPCC calendar to Kravitz and ask him to contact the clerk when he would like to be on WPCC's agenda.
- Pinder stated WPCC is on the Selectmen's agenda for January 11, 2012 to review the budget. Dolan and Pinder will attend the meeting. MacDonald agreed to attend the Economic Development Commission Meeting.
- The Annual Meeting is scheduled for January 30, 2012 at 7:15 in the Green Room. Pinder suggested MacDonald attend and introduce himself as the new Chairman of the WPCC, she suggested he announce the date of the Public information meeting, and request that one member of each board and commission attend, so that everyone is updated on the progress WPCC has made and that they are all aware of the needs areas. A brief report of the previous year will also need to be presented.

- A presentation by Plan-O-Metrics is scheduled for February 20 at 7:00 PM in the Green Room. They are a planning company that the town can hire to help develop a Plan of Conservation and Development. A representative from each Board and Commission is being asked to attend. Planning and Zoning is planning a major overhaul to the plan of Conservation and Development which is required by the State to be updated every 5 years.
- A homeowner from Nod Ct called WPCC to inquire about the town providing bottled water to her home. Several wells are monitored on Nod Ct due to the old landfill. Engle reviewed the laboratory data and suggested that CRAHD could have the homeowners water tested under a free program run by the state. Every home owner that has a well should have the water tested annually, and this is the responsibility of the homeowner. If warranted, DEEP has a program which supplies bottled water to homeowners, but the town should not have to supply homeowners with water. Discussion followed concerning Connecticut Water Company and the need to extend the water lines.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **CDM**
 - Public Information Meeting – The members decided to hold the Public Information meeting on February 15. An announcement will be posted on the website and a letter drafted inviting members from each Board and Commission. At the next WPCC meeting a draft presentation of the public information meeting will be presented. Wagner handed out a power point outline of the presentation.
 - Access agreements – Wagner reviewed the list of potentially viable parcels and their current status as to whether any correspondence had gone out, and the outcome. Some landowners were verbally contacted by Willie Fritz or Lynn Pinder and should receive a formal letter to be sure the legal steps were followed. Pinder will contact Wertam to draft the next set of letters to the unresponsive landowners.
 - Facilities plan discussed – Wagner indicated that the Facilities Plan will recommend a plan for each needs area and be able to give a cost analysis for several different plans. Dolan inquired about including AT systems, and Wagner confirmed that analysis of AT systems will be included in the plan. Wagner roughly estimated the outflow needed for the town is 600,000 gal/day to be confirmed as the Needs Areas including commercial flows are refined. This does not include any room for growth and currently it does not appear that all Needs Areas can be treated off-site due to the capacity of the potential discharge sites – but this will all be further analyzed with additional property testing and in development of the Facilities Plan. The commission would like the Facilities Plan to include a Plan A – bare minimum systems with no room for growth and a Plan B which would accommodate growth. The steep grant for the revitalization of Main St. was discussed.
 - Joint Meeting of Boards and Commissions – Kravitz will come to speak at a WPCC meeting, WPCC needs to be involved with the Plan of Conservation and Development, Planning and Zoning needs to be ahead of WPCC so Wagner can discuss the need of future growth in the facilities plan. The only thing WPCC needs to do is solve the immediate problem that DEEP has asked the town to take care of. There are 7 areas with problems.
 - Amendment 7 – CDM Smith expects to have an invoice for Amendment 7 in February. Wagner is waiting for the refund check from Amtrak, but recently got confirmation on the amount. The WPCC initially paid Amtrak approximately \$19,000 in the required Force Account, and approximately; \$13,000 will be refunded later this month. After reconciling this amount, there will be approximately \$50,000 remaining in Amendment 7 to begin testing additional sites.
 - Amendment 8 – Wagner presented an invoice for the needs area mapping done over the course of Sept, Oct, Nov, the invoice and explanation are attached. The Commission voted to approve the invoice for payment in the amount of \$5,603.35.
 - Wagner left the meeting at 8:45 PM.
- **On-site Wastewater Management Ordinance**

- Carmody Update – The list from Carmody of properties that have never been serviced is extremely long, in order to print out post cards and have Carmody properly track due dates, parcels that do not have septic system need to be removed from the list. The clerk is currently working on inactivating properties from the computer system that do not have septic systems, such as Clinton Land Trust properties, post cards should go out soon.
- Registration form for Septic Tank Cleaners and Installers was presented and changes to the form discussed. Instead of paraphrasing the health code a copy will be attached.
- **Monitoring Well Data**
 - Victoria Manor – Engle reported on the status of Victoria Manor. Apparently, the report from the engineer was sent to Lorentson, who is retired, and the report never made it to the correct person at DEEP. The President of the condominium association claims the association does not have any money in their budget to do the necessary repairs to the system that the report recommends. Engle discussed with the committee the possibility of using the bond the Town holds to be used for the repairs. No decision was made at this time.
 - Lagoons – Dolan reported on the status of the lagoons. They have not been closed. The locks were replaced, ECL was given the keys so the lagoons will be tested. Dolan reports one of the lagoons is fairly dry and grown in. Engle explained that if the lagoon is dry that this is a good sign. Dewatering is the largest cost in closing of lagoons. The next step in the closure process would be to hire an engineering firm to conduct soil testing. If hazardous material is found this would require some remediation. Finally, the lagoon would be filled with wood chips to cap. Westbrook did not have to transport any material out and there was no contamination, it cost less than \$100,000 to close.
 - The Indian River Complex was resampled on December 28, 2011, E Coli and Total Coliform were absent in all samples, and Residual Chlorine was not detected. Two invoices were received from ECL for the sampling and laboratory work done at Indian River, one invoiced on December 8, 2011 for \$192.50 and one invoiced on January 9, 2012 for \$217.50.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Land Use Referrals** – MacDonald reviewed the Land Use Referral for 39 Kelsey Rd. It was not clear what work is going to be done. Engle will review with the Sanitarian and report back.
- **BUDGET** - Pinder is fine with adding \$200 dollars more in the line item for Convention and Dues and will recommend this to the Board of Selectmen.

CHAIRMAN’S/COMMISSIONER’S COMMENTS

MacDonald thanked Pinder for all the work she has done as Chairman and hoped he would be able to as good a job as she has. The next scheduled meeting of the WPCC is January 24, 2012, a dry run of the Public Information Meeting will be presented.

ADJOURNMENT

Pinder **moved** to adjourn the meeting. Peterson seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Shirley Mickens
 Recording Clerk