

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
SEPTEMBER 4, 2013

The meeting opened @ 7:11P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance. The chairman asked for the roll to be called. There were three members present, therefore there was a quorum.

PRESENT: J. Casini
C. Durante
K. Blake

ABSENT: A. Limauro
H. Madigosky

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor James DellaVolpe
Attorney John Androski
Rita St. Jacques
Joseph Maffeo: UIC Prime
Brian Capozzi
Rich Bshara

MOTION to accept the minutes from the previous meeting made by C. Durante and seconded by K. Blake. All were in favor and the motion passed.

The Chairman asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak. No one answered and the Chairman asked two more times if there was anyone who wished to speak. Again, no one answered and the public session was closed at 7:014 PM.

Sewer Administrator's Report: See copy attached.

4. Discussion was held on the request by Castle Lane Developers for a refund of monies paid to the WPCA since the project was denied. The money paid was an application fee and review fees for a 24 unit sub-division. The WPCA incurred costs to have the engineers review the plans and make recommendations .Attorney Androski will further investigate.

#5. 202 Beaver St. has been an ongoing problem for many years. The current owner has requested that his property be exempted from paying the sewer project fee because he is not hooked up to the sewer. The Ansonia City Charter clearly states that if the edge of the property is within 100 feet of the existing sewer line the property must be hooked up. Superintendent Capozzi has tried to contact the property owner to arrange an on-sight inspection but to no avail. The property owner was also going to forward material from a

plumber's handbook which he claims states that he does not have to hook up to the sewer but as yet the WPCA office has not received the information.

MOTION to have Superintendent Capozzi and Attorney Androski do further investigation made by C. Durante and seconded by K. Blake. All were in favor and the motion passed.

#6. The property on 31 Benz St. is currently on a septic system. Superintendent Capozzi made a visit to the premises and determined that the property line falls within 100 feet of the sewer line and therefore needs to be hooked up to the sewer.

MOTION to have Attorney Androski send a letter to the property owner stating that the property must be hooked into the sewer system within 6 (six) months made by C. Durante and seconded by K. Blake. All were in favor and the motion passed.

#7. 34 Finney St. Attorney Androski had sent a letter advising the property owner that the property must be hooked up to the sewer line. Apparently the home owner is having financial hardship and Attorney Androski extended the hook-up for another 6 (six) months. There is a possibility that the home is going to be sold and Attorney Androski will make sure that sewer hook-up becomes part of the sale.

#10. Rich Bshara would like Mayor DellaVolpe, Ron Greski and himself to be included as signers on the WPCA accounts so that the City's digital stamp can be used. This will alleviate a problem if the chairman and/or vice chairman are not available.

MOTION to approve Mayor DellaVolpe, Ron Greski and Rich Bshara as signers on the WPCA accounts made by C. Durante and seconded by K. Blake. All were in favor and the motion passed.

MOTION to accept the Sewer Administrator's report made by C. Durante and seconded by K. Blake. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Rich Bshara presented the WPCA budget for the 2013-2014 fiscal year. The water consumption level dropped approximately 4M cubic feet from last year. Regional Water confirmed that more than half of the reduction is from 6 (six) billings, Ansonia Copper and Brass being the largest.

The projected rate needed to sustain this budget will be \$3.05 per CF, the same as last year, and \$258 per unit for well bills. Each bill will also have added to it a \$50.00 fee for the 311 project. Rich said substantial cuts were made to keep the rate the same.

Since expenses have increased and revenue has decreased, the budget is very tight..

Rich also explained how the revenue is derived. (see pg 2 of Rich's report). Rich then went into detail on each line item.

MOTION to approve the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year budget made by C. Durante and seconded by K. Blake. All were in favor and the motion passed.

MOTION to approve the proposed rate for the 2012 List Year Sewer Use Fee as: Consumption - \$3.05 per cubic foot plus \$50.00 capital fee and Well Users - \$258.00 flat rate plus \$50 capital fee made by C. Durante and seconded by K.Blake All were in favor and the motion passed.

UIC report:

Joe Maffeo of UIC Prime said that there is nothing to report this month for applications for sewer connection permits.

Ansonia – Derby interconnect project:

UIC has prepared information to be presented during a press release scheduled for September 5, 2013.

There were no sewer back-ups for the past month.

The sewer as-built plans and scanned images were obtained from Mr. Lewis.

Route 8-Project 36-179:

UIC is waiting for a revised plan from Luchs that addresses their comments related to sanitary sewer conflicts.

MOTION to accept the UIC report made by C. Durante and seconded by K. Blake. All were in favor and the motion passed.

MOTION to pay all bills if they are found to be true and correct and there is enough money to pay them made by C. Durante and seconded by K. Blake. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Supervisor's Report:

The main board that controls the a/c and heat to the control building failed and had to be replaced. The part alone is \$2,000.00.

The new panel for Dells Rd. pump station is up and waiting for the electrician to wire it.

Brian is discussing the best place to put a new panel at the Jackson St. pump station with the electrician.

Interviews were conducted by Superintendent Capozzi, T. Kolakowski (acting personnel director) and Attorney K. Blake for the State mandated Class 3 Shift Supervisor position. Two qualified candidates were interviewed and one has been chosen. Attorney Androski will write up the contract for the position.

MOTION to have Attorney Androski write up the contract for the Class 3 Shift Supervisor position made by C. Durante and seconded by K. Blake. All were in favor and the motion passed.

MOTION to accept the Superintendent's report made by C. Durante and seconded by K. Blake. All were in favor and the motion passed.

MOTION to adjourn made by K. Blake and seconded by C. Durante. All were in favor and the motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Turschmann
Secretary