

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 1, 2009

The members were told the Erlingheuser Room was vacated by the Police Commissioners (8:15) PM the members gathered their belongings and had to move the regular meeting back to the scheduled meeting place (Erlingheuser Room).

The meeting opened @ 8:25 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. The chairman asked the secretary to call the roll. There were four members present, he declared a quorum.

PRESENT: H. Madigosky  
G. Merlone  
C. LaRovera  
H. Boladz

ABSENT: K. Blake  
S. Jordanides  
V. Epifano

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Attorney John Androski  
Jim Ryan: CDM  
Warren Bathaegge: UIC  
Maureen Bennett: Sewer Administrator

The chairman asked for a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting. MOTION was made by Gary Merlone and was seconded by Henry Boladz to accept the minutes from the previous meeting if they are found to be true and correct. All were in favor of the motion and there were no corrections to be made.

PUBLIC SESSION:

The chairman asked three times if there was anyone from the public that would like to speak there was no response. He declared the public session closed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1) Fr: Tice Bros: Re: Billing

MOTION was made by Henry Boladz and was seconded by Carl LaRovera to have Attorney Androski officially notify Mr. Tice of the WPCA Commissions decision to bill them according to their usage. They will no longer be billed a flat rate as in the past. Attorney Androski will send a letter of notification. All were in favor of the motion.

2) Fr: William Hogan: DEP // informational letter regarding their acknowledgement of Change Order # 1 for the 554 project

MOTION was made by Gary Merlone and was seconded by Carl LaRovera to accept all communications and place them on file. All were in favor of the motion.

SEWER ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:

Maureen briefly went over the documents she submitted to the members. She said she is hoping the federal powers that be will / can increase our Grant Money even if we have to resort to “begging”. The residents will really have a hard time paying for the project but on the other side of that if the project isn’t done the city / WPCA will have to pay astronomical fines for the problems that we would be dealing with at the sewage treatment plant. Essentially the rate payers will have to pay one way or another. Maureen pointed out the Unemployment rate in Ansonia. Ansonia’s unemployment rate is @ 9.6% in comparison to the state which is @ 7.9% so as you can see we are truly a distressed community.

At the meeting today (July 1, 2009) called by Joe Miller for Audit updates, Frank Michaud spoke to Maureen and conveyed that there are some items he would like changed on the 554 Project spread Sheet that is prepared.

Maureen spoke about the money that needs to be transferred to meet the bills for the WPCA this month.

She also mentioned the tour of the treatment plant for the WPCA members. After speaking with everyone involved that might like to attend it was decided the tour will be on Saturday August 1, 2009 beginning @ 8:45 AM.

There was discussion about the bank balances for the WPCA or lack there of because we cut our budget so close last fiscal year. That is why the transfers have to be made to meet contractual obligations (payroll, etc.. & utilities) until the September collection starts.

Maureen asked if there were any other questions or concerns for her. The members thanked her for her complete report.

MOTION was made by Gary Merlone and was seconded by Carl LaRovera to accept Maureen’s report as presented. Gary also mentioned how informative her report was. All were in favor of the motion.

#### UPDATE 554 PROJECT:

Jim Ryan went over his monthly report for the members. He noted that things are “sailing along”. The project is 33.3% complete & paid for. The Project is actually 22% ahead of the overall project time. (Ahead of schedule)

The focus right now is to complete the large concrete tanks. Howard asked when he thought the tanks might actually be filled & how they will be filled. Jim said he would inquire to C.H. Nickerson about the filling of the tanks and how that would be paid for.

There was talk about the possibility of using ground water to fill the tank to check for leaks. He will ask some questions and see what they say.

The construction of the sewer administration building is on going. The electrical work is proceeding. There are currently 52 workers on site on average daily. That number changes all the time depending on what is being done on that day.

Jim continued on with his report and told the members that there are 2 proposed change orders in his report.

The change orders are known as:

PCO #6: Proposed credit for deletion of 36in. process pipe bends. (Please note Ben Mosher: CDM agrees with the change order suggestion. The change order will give a (\$13,844.00 credit).

PCO# 9: Relocation of existing natural gas service & associated interior gas piping work in the Service building. (+ plus 15,782.20)

Proposed combined cost of PCO #'s 6&9 to be incorporated in Change Order #3 is \$1,938.20

Jim said he hoped the commission would make a motion to pass the change orders. He asked if there were any others questions for him. The members were very happy to hear the update and noted to keep the project moving as it is.

MOTION was made by Henry Boladz and was seconded by Carl LaRovera to accept both change orders as presented by Jim Ryan: CDM. All were in favor of the motion. Jim noted that he would get the paperwork prepared and to the WPCA Office next week for the necessary signatures.

Before Jim finished he told the members it is really important to get the information together for the Plaque that will be made for the 554 Project. There is quite a bit of work to do to get the "dedication" plaque made there are graphic artists involved and the actual casting of the plaque. When it is completed it is essentially VERY heavy and is placed in the wall of the service building. He did ask that the members begin to think about what they would on it and whose names will be on it too. There is time, but it does need to be addressed.

MOTION was made by Carl LaRovera and was seconded by Henry Boladz to accept Jim's report as presented. All were in favor of the motion.

#### ENGINEER'S REPORT: UIC

Warren told the members he really didn't have anything to report on. There haven't been any back-ups that he knows of (it was mentioned there was one at the end of the day today) He did say he hoped that he would be able to be of some service to the Authority so he can have a report to give.

Attorney Androski told the members he has heard from the new administrator of Hilltop Health (Spectrum Healthcare) they said the WPCA will be able to contact them to set up a field trip to view / review the ARGU Unit. (grease recovery unit) Attorney Androski thought it would be a good idea to have Warren:UIC make the visit to check the unit out. It was also brought to the members attention that Birmingham Health in Derby (whom pays Ansonia Sewer fees) are also owned by Spectrum and maybe that facility should be visited at the same time. The back up @ 261 Division St. may have been caused by the lack of a unit or a malfunctioning unit in that facility. Therefore it is probably a good idea to visit both places. Attorney Androski said he will contact both places and get back to Warren with a date & time to do the inspection.

Maureen asked what the approximate charges may be for the inspection so that information can be passed along to Spectrum. This way they can be prepared to pay the fee so it can be a pass through for us to pay UIC for their services. Warren estimated about \$100.00 per hour and maybe up to 3 hours at each facility.

Attorney Androski said he will pass that information along when he sets up the inspection/ field trip.

MOTION was made by Gary Merlone and was seconded by Henry Boldaz to accept the report as given from Warren Bathaeg of UIC. All were in favor of the motion.

Chairman Madigosky asked about the Suspense List that was mentioned on the Agenda. Maureen pointed out that it is done every year and that it updates all the perpetual delinquent rate payers. Most of the people on the list now still have the potential to be collected. There are 13 people on the Suspense List.

There was discussion about the accounts and what can be done. Attorney Androski said he and his office staff will continue to be as diligent as they have been and even more aggressive on these perpetual delinquents.

MOTION was made by Gary Merlone and was seconded by Henry Boladz to pay all bills if they found to be true and accurate. All were in favor of the motion.

1) Serv-Pro	108 Platt St.	sewer back up	balance due	\$2,376.48
2) Serv-pro	261 Division St.	Sewer back up		\$9,919.92
3) Attorney Androski	July 1, 2009	invoice presented for June work		\$1,362.00

MOTION was made by Gary Merlone and was seconded by Carl LaRovera to allow Chairman Madigosky to make the necessary transfers so the bills can be paid that need to be paid. All were in favor of the motion.

Attorney Androski had nothing else to place before the members. He did ask Chairman Madigosky to give the members a brief rundown of the field trip that was made by a contingent of people from Ansonia to the Stamford Sewage Treatment Facility. Howard told the members some of details of using sludge to generate energy. The sludge is put through a process then it is used after all is said and done to generate power. There are many technical things / items that were viewed during the field trip. Howard is doing more research on the vast possibilities that are out there for these kinds of projects.

MOTION was made by Gary Merlone and was seconded by Carl LaRovera to AUTHORIZE Chairman Madigosky to sign CDM's Study Proposal for Alternative Energy (cogeneration) Proposals. All were in favor of the motion.

The chairman asked for a motion to adjourn if there was nothing else that needed to be discussed.

MOTION was made by Gary Merlone and was seconded by Henry Boladz to adjourn. All were in favor of the motion.

The meeting ended @ 9:25 PM

Respectfully submitted:

Rita St.Jacques: PAC Recording Secretary  
July 2, 2009

