



City of Derby WPCA  
Regular Meeting  
September 19, 2012

Richard Bartholomew  
Leo DiSorbo – Chairman  
Carolyn Duhaime

John Saccu  
James Gildea

Meeting Called to Order: 6:00pm

**Roll Call:** Leo DiSorbo, John Saccu, James Gildea, Carolyn Duhaime and Richard Bartholomew. Also present Lindsay King, Plant Superintendent, and Anthony DeSimon from Weston and Sampon. Marcy McGuire recording secretary.

Motion by Mr. Gildea, to add regionalization to the agenda after Superintendents Report. Second by Mr. Saccu.

**Public Portion.**

Roger Birtwell, questioned why his billing is with an attorney. It was explained to him that he has previous years due.

**Mark Nuzzolo – Singer Village**

Mark Nuzzolo is asking for approval for a subdivision, plans have been submitted to the WPCA engineer, our engineer had multiple comments most of which Mr. Nuzzolo agree to except for one. The one that suggests Mr. Nuzzolo connect the existing house to the new line. He says its just too deep and he doesn't want to get into blasting, what he will do is supply a latteral in the event there is a problem down the road. The board is ok with that.

Motion to approve Singer Village subdivision sewer hookup made by Mr. Gildea, second by Mr. Saccu. All in favor.

Mr. DiSimon asked for final plans after Mr. Nuzzolo gets all his approvals.

**Adam's Super Foods**

Mr. Stan Love from Adams Super Food, gave a letter to request waiving the interest.

Adams is requesting an adjustment in their bill. Mr. Love explained to the Board that next year they will have a misting system and will use less water. Last year their water bills were estimated and it was adjusted by the WPCA. Adams uses water to cool their condensers on the roof and this water does not go into the sewers. They can't replace those right now the cost is too much. This water is running from May to September.

Jim said we can open a pandoras box, if we change for just one. It's like asking the oil company to give you a rebate because you left your window's open. He has cause for concern.

Mr. Bartholomew said this is not going into the sewer and we are not treating it. Lindsay confirmed that, the problem is we don't know how much that is, but if he's not using it he shouldn't pay for it.

Mr. Saccu said if we can identify the water that is being used and look at an accurate adverage he doesn't have a problem with using it for special consideration based on the information we are able to identify. These numbers are very high.

One option would be to sub-meter. But who would read it. Lindsay said they would have to read it once a year and there would be a cost for that.

This was tabled for next meeting.

### **Combination Sewer Truck**

Lindsay got a quote for a new jetter truck \$375,585.55. We budgeted \$60,000.00 this year for a lease. There are four options on the handout, two for five years, two for six years. This is an acquisition not a lease, the WPCA would own it after 5 years. Lindsay talked to the City to see if they could get a better rate. If the board approves this at the next meeting the truck might be delivered around March. Lindsay will get one more price. This is a better truck than we have now. Maybe we can sell the old one to public works. Mr. Gildea would like to see the warrenty.

### **Hawthorne Avenue Update**

Brian went to the Tax Board meeting to give them some back ground of the project. The contractor is moving along he's past Nutmeg and should be to the Library by Friday. The compaction was fine, it rained hard last night and the trench it didn't move at all. We are replacing 2000 feet of pipe. We will have to line quite a bit of pipe as well. The City got a grant to redo Hawthorne Ave. the sewers were not a part of that grant the WPCA has to pay for this project.

### **Sanitary Sewer System**

We have received funding from DEEP to do the next phase. This is where we find out exactly which buildings are connected to the sewer, which pipes are leaking. DEEP is letting you know that you are getting a \$319,702.98 grant, the rest of it is the WPCA's

responsibility, \$ 261,575.60. That takes care of downtown and east Derby. Other areas DEEP would not fund, we are going to train Lindsay's staff and they will be doing building inspections. We will be able to tell who has sub-pumps, who has roof leaders. The board would like a report on where we are on these projects.

### **Illegal Sewer Connections**

In our regulations we have fines for homeowners who have storm drains connected to sewers. There were letters sent a few years ago that didn't get a great response. In the first year the homeowner wouldn't get fined, the next year \$100, and the next year \$200. There are two houses that have been sent numerous letters and nothing has happen. Some of these fixes can be very expensive for some homeowners. Maybe those who can not fix the problem we would bill them for the extra water coming to the Plant. Put illegal sewer connections onto agenda every month.

### **Approve minutes**

Motion to approve minutes of August 18, 2012 by Ms. Duhaime, second by Mr. Bartholomew. All in favor.

Motion to approve minutes of August 29, 2012 by Ms. Duhaime, second by Mr. DiSorbo. All in favor.

### **Approval of Expenditures – Aug. 17 2012 – September 14, 2012**

Motion to approve expenditures, by Mr. Gildea, second by Mr. Bartholomew. All in favor.

### **Budget transfers and roll over items**

Last year we approve a grinder solution as a temporary fix at Roosevelt, we got the bill now and last year is closed out, so instead of paying for it out of this years budget, Lindsay would like to roll over money from last years budget, which ends up in the fund balance. He says there is \$87,000.00 left over. He would like to pay this bill with this money.

Ms. Duhaime said that last years budget is closed out so the money should move down to the working balance.

Motion to move \$60,000.00 for gringer replacement from the rollover from last years appropriation from fiscal year 2011-2012 into working balance and bring it up to line item 6200-480-0493 pump station. Mr. Bartholomew second. All in favor

Mr. DeSimone says the WPCA has three fund balances, one is the Division Street Pumping Station, the next fund balance is cleaning the digesters, the third is the General Fund Balance.

Lindsay has another Weston and Sampson bill is for the wwater facilities plan,for \$33,419.58, we get some reimbursment for this but he would like to pay it now, he would like to transfer money to pay it and then get reimbursed.

Motion to take \$15,038.81 out of fund balance from last years budget , and take \$18,387.77 from the roof account made by Mr. Bartholomew and second by Ms. Duhaime. All in favor.

Marcy has a bill for computer services for the new billing for \$3,700.00. She does not want it to come out of her budget, she is asking for a transfer.

Motion to transfer \$3,700.00 from working balance 6200-490-0498 from 2012-2013 budget to 6200-152-0153 by Mr. Gildea, second by Mr. Barotholomew. All in favor.

\$60,000.00 from2011-2012 fund balance to 6200-480-0493 pump station  
\$15,038.81 from 2011-2012 fund balance to wwater  
\$18,387.77 from 2012-2012 roof account to wwater

### **Motion to approve Griffin Hospital User Charge.**

Motion to approve Griffin Hospital adjustment to bill. The bill is reduced because some water doesn't go down the sewer. Motion by Mr. DiSorbo, second my Mr. Gildea. All in favor.

### **Revised bills**

Bills are ready to be sent out. Letters will go out with the bills people who want refunds will fill out the sheet and send it back, so we have something in writing that they requested a refund.

Letters will go with the bill for people want interest waived also. Will consult with Atty. Coppola also.

### **Engineer's Report**

Patty Ann Terrace is finished.

### **Superintendent Report**

Ansonia will not update their plant it is not fesable. They do not have capacity to take Derby's flow. There was no meeting with Ansonia, there was a meeting with DEEP three weeks ago and we recommended that we look at it 20 years down the road. The DEEP has not switched their position.

It would be 40 million dollars to connect with Ansonia just the infastructure. There is another 50 million in pipe rehab, to make it fesable. Lindsay asked DEEP to come to a

meeting. Mr. DiSorbo will set up a meeting. Mr. DeSimone says Dennis Greci from DEEP should be at that meeting.

### **Referendum**

We should have our projects lined up, with the dollar figures by October 24, 2012. Mr. DiSorbo would like to have Mr. Saccu head this committee. The most important project is Roosevelt Drive pump station, and the second is RT 34.

The object of this next meeting is to detail the projects, put them in order by priority, and a dollar figure.

Workshop Sept. 27, 2012 at 6:30pm.

Motion to Adjourn by Mr. Gildea, second by Mr. Bartholomew 8:27pm

Respectfully Submitted

Marcy McGuire