

Newington Sewer Commission 4/20/16 APPROVED MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 9:02 am

Present: T. Cole Chairman, T.Field, J.Richardson, Commissioners. D.Messier Plant Operator, S.Bullard Utility Partners.

Minutes: Minutes from 3/16/16 reviewed. Motion by T.Field to approve, seconded by J.Richardson. Approved.

Public Comment: None

Treasurer's report: No report. Corrections to be made by the Town Hall. Sewer operating budget was reviewed. First payment from bond for \$221,400 will be paid from operating fund and will be reimbursed from DES from the project bond. Payment will be held until reimbursement is received.

Manifest Approval: Motion made to approve the 4/20/16 manifest by J.Richardson in the amount of \$286,321.58. Seconded by T.Field. Approved & signed. Major maintenance expenses for gate operator and Nicks Environmental. Had to replace gate motor due to mouse damage and repair centrifuge due to water leaking into it.

Plant operators report: Water flows are up in comparison to last year. Sludge tons equal what was billed. Scheduled maintenance was completed. Potholes in the driveway have been repaired. First Biannual IIP samples were collected and sent to ESI for testing. The pickup truck is currently at Portsmouth Chevy. It had work done on 3 recall notices and then began leaking battery fluid.

Two sewer abatements in the packets to be signed by the Commissioners. The 2016 Sewer bills will be going to Ray Hart on 4/28.

Wright-Pierce #2 working on project which has begun. Demolition to walls in building has been done, stripping of soils will occur next week as they get ready to excavate. The Fire Chief has request the full plans be reviewed by a Fire Engineer. Wright-Pierce and Mr. Sherman are corresponding with the Fire Chief on this. There will be a walk through on 4/27. The Building Inspector is ready to move forward, just waiting on the FD approval. Since this project is a remodel, we will meet new codes with an exemption for a sprinkler system.

Construction is going well. Workers are pleasant and hard-working. Construction meetings will be held the week before commission meetings. Change orders have to go to the State for approval. D.Messier will forward change order information to the Commissioners so they can decide what dollar value to authorize D.Messier to expend without Commission approval.

Old Business: Correspondence from Utility Partners for a Contract Adjustment. It is the end of the original 5-year contract. CPI Index is +.7%, will default to the 1% CPI. J.Richardson moved to authorize the Chairman to sign CPI letter of 4/20/16. All in favor.

Adjournment 9:33